

Bob Kubat

Kubat has made an extraordinary commitment to softball in Omaha for the past 55 years as a premier fast pitch and slow pitch player, umpire and administrator.

He began playing softball at eight years of age in 1955 in the old Omaha Parks and Recreation League at Pulaski Park. His fast pitch career started in 1963 when his next door neighbor asked the high schooler to fill in as an outfielder for his company fast pitch team. He is still playing today for the Omaha Masters.

His fast pitch clubs over the past 47 years earned 37 league, two city and four state championships. He participated in 18 state and 13 national tournaments.

He started playing major slow pitch softball in 1969 while also continuing to play fast pitch. He joined the Skylark Meats team—one of the top major squads in the area—and over the next 20 years, the team won numerous league titles and competed in over 400 tournaments.

At the same time, he played over-30 softball and has participated in the Catholic Men's League for the past 38 years, during which time his teams have won 29 South League titles.

At age 52, Kubat joined the Nebraska Senior Softball League where he continues to play. In 2008, Kubat was a member of the Old School Legends 60+ team that won eight tournaments and the Softball Players Association national title.

He even found time to work as an umpire from 1989 to 1999. He officiated games in all divisions of fast and slow pitch, including the first Nebraska High School Girls State Tournament.

As an administrator, Kubat served on the Omaha Softball Association Board of Directors for five years and also on the Nebraska Senior Softball Board of Directors for five years.

Kubat estimates he has played in over 500 tournaments. He has earned spots on 33 all-tournament teams and twice has been named a senior All American.

