

"Hall of Fame biggest award of all"

That's the headline of Allen Panzeri's Edmonton Journal (31 Mar '83) article about our cousin Clarence Miller ("Clare") Hollingsworth of Edmonton, a hefty contributor to HR by the way. At the age of 74 with 54 years in sports behind him, Clare Hollingsworth received the plaque of the Edmonton Sports Hall of Fame. 1,500 at the Westin Hotel, Wednesday, 30th March, attended to see Hollingsworth, and two others, inducted. Clare's more than half century involvement was with amateur basketball, fastball, and football. He nearly missed the dinner because the "postal authorities" did it again. His invitation to the dinner from the city of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, was postmarked 10 March but arrived on 17th of March. He had tickets for Stage West for that night, in fact.

"I was never an outstanding athlete," said Hollingsworth, "but I was always very competitive. But over the years, the time I spent coaching has been the most rewarding. I couldn't feel much happier. I have always felt that coaching influences young people to become better citizens. And I suppose I'm a unique worker in that I've never accepted a cent for what I've done and never will. I enjoy it and that's all there is to it. I've had other citations in the past, like the others given out tonight, but this is the big one."