

Maggie Banales, El Paso, TX



Lettered two years playing baseball under Coach Nemo Herrera at Bowie High School

In 1959, his Bears won the District Championship

Played with Nolan Richardson, Juan “Magua” Gomez, Lefty Bobby and Willie Rodriguez at Bowie

Began umpiring baseball in 1967

Started umpiring Little League to Stan Musial throughout El Paso

Officiated High School regular season, High School Bi-District and Area Playoffs up to the 2000 season

Umpired NJCAA for El Paso Community College in their first year of play in 1996

College official for New Mexico State, Texas Western and UTEP baseball

Also umpired Semi-Pro levels throughout the Southwest

Umpired with El Paso Baseball Hall of Fame Umpires including: Sam Sambrano, David Yturalde, Manny Lopez, Perry Huddleston, Cerjio Martinez, John Scanlon, Yvan Rechy, Shawn Lehigh and Gilbert De La Rosa

He also umpired softball for 34 years and was chosen to umpire in the ISC World Championships

He called baseball games for 16 Area High School Coaches who have been inducted in the El Paso Baseball Hall of Fame

Among the most highly decorated and accomplished umpires ever in El Paso sports circles

Inducted into El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame in 2000

Inducted in the International Softball Congress Hall of Fame in 2005

Inducted in the El Paso Softball Hall of Fame in 1989

Activated by United States Army for Operation Desert Storm-Desert Shield in 1990-1991

Accomplished Math educator who co-hosts a tutoring show on Television to help local students

Served as Officer and President of the El Paso Baseball Hall of Fame

Member El Paso Baseball Hall of Fame Board of Directors