



The Joseph A. Rotondi Hockey Scholarship

This scholarship in memory of Joseph A. Rotondi was first established in 1969 by his many friends and relatives. Joe distinguished himself by his devotion to hockey in Melrose. He played hockey for three years while attending Melrose High School, and was named All Scholastic for the Greater Boston Interscholastic Hockey League in 1936.

He graduated from Melrose High School, Class of 1936, and continued his interest in hockey with the Mt. Hood Hockey Club in managing and coaching the Pee Wee Hockey League for many years. Joe was also instrumental in the formation and development of the Junior Reds Hockey program.

Joe was one of 13 children in the Rotondi family. His father founded and operated the G. Rotondi & Sons Construction business. After graduating from high school, Joe worked with his father in the family business. He married Miss Josephine Capone of Winchester. After their marriage, they made their home at 188 Laurel St with their four children- Brenda, Edward, Karen and Robert.

Mr. Rotondi was not only well known for his hockey and business interests, but was equally well known and loved for his loyalty to the community and his many activities in the Church of the Incarnation. He was a devoted family man but contributed generously to all of the youth of Melrose through an interest in hockey. Joe passed away on September 4, 1968.

It is most fitting therefore that this scholarship be awarded annually to a worthy senior hockey player who plans to continue their education beyond high school.