



# HOOP HISTORIANS NEWS

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## HOOP HISTORIANS ENJOY FOOTBALL CIRCUIT



Frank Wilson, Surl Kim, Dorothy Kim and Al Sack smile for the camera in Arkansas.

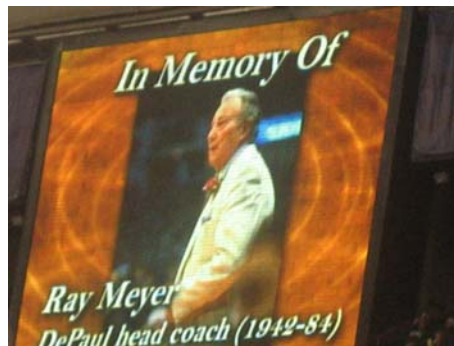
Hoop Historians have traveled across the country to see their fill of college football this past fall. **Kim Tours and Travel** went to see the USC Trojans opener at Fayetteville, Arkansas (a 50-14 victory over the Razorbacks). The week's activities also included a trip to the entertainment vacation destination of Branson, Missouri. Later in the season, Brian Burmeister hosted a contingent of UCLA fans and Al Sack joined the Chicago based members of the Hoop Historians as the Bruins visited Notre Dame. The "luck of the Irish" came through again for the Golden Domers, as Notre Dame won 20-17 with a touchdown in the final seconds of the game. Not to be outdone, Friend of the Hoop Historians **Al Benninger** is in his 46<sup>th</sup> year as being the press box football statistician for the University of Louisville. The Cardinals are having a memorable season – being unbeaten through their first seven games of the year.



Friend of the Hoop Historians Bob Stan poses with Bruce Ziemer, Al Sack, Joe Spagnolo, Ted Reineking and Fred Allman at Notre Dame.

## SALUTE TO RAY MEYER ANNOUNCED

A Salute to the late Ray Meyer will be held at the December 2 game between Kansas and DePaul. The game will be televised nationally on ESPNU. At least one player from each of Coach Ray's 45 teams is expected to attend. The Blue Demons will be wear retro-inspired uniforms with a commemorative "Coach Ray" patch on that day. Meyer, a long-time Friend of the Hoop Historians, was head coach at DePaul University from 1942-84 and won 724 games. A Ray & Marge Scholarship Fund has been established to provide two full scholarships for the men's basketball team. Meyer passed away last March 17 at the age of 92.



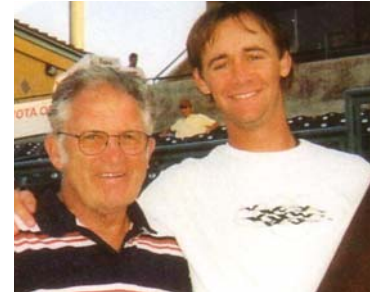
Ray Meyer was recognized on the Jumbotron scoreboard at last year's Final Four.

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## AWARD WINNING FRIENDS OF HOOP HISTORIANS



John Mayberry visits with Darren Sack this summer in San Bernardino.

Congratulations are in order for a few Friends of the Hoop Historians. The group's favorite minor league baseball player, **Darren Sack**, was named co-Pitcher of the Year for the San Jose Giants. The six-foot, four inch right-hander compiled a 7-3 win-loss record with a miniscule 1.94 earned run average. The Giants lost in the fifth and decisive game of the California League North Division Finals. And Friend of the Hoop Historians **Sam Lima** was a finalist in the Ballo's Restaurant Meatball Cook-Off held at the downtown Chicago restaurant. Lima's recipe was selected from hundreds submitted and he competed in a cook-off of ten finalists at the restaurant this month.



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**DID YOU KNOW:** Los Angeles hosted four sold out sporting events on October 7 all within a 20 mile radius: USC vs. Washington football; UCLA vs. Arizona football; Dodgers vs. Mets playoff baseball and Kings vs. Blues hockey home opener. Approximately 220,000 spectators attended. Talk about gridlock!