



### “WAYNE T. REEVES MAJOR DIVISION – SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD”

This award is to honor an individual who contributed many years and hours of his time to preserve Mermaid softball to get the league where it is today. Wayne was committed to the Mermaid mission to impart in the girls the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, teamwork, and courage so that they may grow to be strong, happy and healthy young women.

This award will be presented annually during the closing ceremonies of each season. One (1) player from the **MAJOR Division** will be selected by the active Executive Board, from **NOMINATIONS received from qualified Mermaid league volunteers, participant and members in good standing**. Only MAJOR Division players are eligible to receive this award.

When making a nomination for this award, you are urged to look for a player who:

- Tries to develop her individual ability and wants to become a better player, better teammate and better person in the process.
- Recognizes the importance of being a team player, willing to play wherever & whenever needed for the benefit of the team.
- Attends every practice and game unless there is a valid reason, who tries hard at practice to improve and do their best, who listens to instruction and is willing to give 100% in every game.
- Does not try to win by bending the rules, who believes in greater good of the team over individual showmanship, who has integrity and models good sportsman-like behavior for younger players.
- Understands the meaning of fair competition, respect for other players and the value of maintaining friendships and admiration of ability & skill, not only in teammates, but also with opponents and especially when acknowledging the better player or team after wins and losses.

**Nominations should be typewritten no more half a page or 400 words or less. Submissions can be accepted at the snack bar or via [mermaidsoftball@gmail.com](mailto:mermaidsoftball@gmail.com) all season long.**