

## **1996 Hall of Fame Inductee Warren P. "Bud" Best – Greeley**

Warren P. "Bud" Best has been an educator, coach and official since he left Wayne State College Nebraska after serving on active military duty in the South Pacific during WWII as a flight engineer on a Navy patrol bomber. He was a high school and college head coach in football, basketball, swimming and track and also played semi pro baseball. Bud was a four year college letterman in football basketball and track and held the 100 yard dash record for over 30 years at Wayne State.

Bud started umpiring in 1961 after serving as a coach on the Colorado State College baseball team and worked several high school and American Legion play-off and state games. Bud was an educational administrator for the University of Northern Colorado from 1967-1985 and has been recognized as an outstanding college and high school football and basketball official. He is honored in the Wayne State Hall of Fame along with Greeley Baseball Umpires Association Award for many years of service and dedication as an assignor and official.