

HENRY J. FOWLER, SR.

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Honorable Henry J. Fowler, Sr., also known as "King Henry" at the jousts, has been involved with jousting for over 50 years. He introduced the bill making jousting the "Official State Sport of Maryland" in 1962 when he was a member of the House of Delegates in Annapolis.

Henry Fowler has been president of the Maryland Jousting Tournament Assoc., Inc. and has served on the Board of Directors for many years. He has been chairman of many committees in MJTA. Henry sponsors a joust on his farm each year for the benefit of the local fire company, and also chairs a joust at the St. Mary's County Fair. He has made speeches on the subject on many occasions and has promoted the sport at all times.

Although this gentleman has not ridden in a joust for several years he continues to make contributions by attending exhibitions, sponsoring jousts, and helping in any way he is asked. For this he was given the "Outstanding Non-Rider Award" from the Maryland Jousting Tournament Association. His enthusiasm and wit have helped to increase the interest in the sport of jousting in this area as well as in other states.

Because of his title of "King of Jousting" he was the first person to be inducted into the Jousting Hall of Fame. After this honor, King Henry inducted the other charter members into the Hall of Fame.

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