

Ray Buckley

Continuing a recent trend of Hall of Famers coming out of Notre Dame HS, Ray Buckley is one in a long list of outstanding players for the Irish and is a deserving candidate for induction into the Hall of Fame.

Ray was a standout performer for Notre Dame in the early 1960's where he helped lead his teams to consecutive trips to the Parochial A Finals, winning the title in 1962 and coming in as runners-up in 1963. For his efforts, Ray was voted onto the All-County team during his time playing for the Lawrence Road school.

After graduation, Ray moved to Trenton Junior College, where he was an early winner of JUCO All-American honors. He then rode the Mercer County pipeline to the University of Maryland, where he was a starting midfielder during his two years and garnered All-South recognition while helping the Terps to several ACC Championships

Along with fellow Hall of Famer Ron Hoch, Ray was an assistant coach for a Maryland team that went undefeated, won the ACC title again, and shared the 1969 National Championship with Michigan State. We welcome Ray Buckley to the Mercer County Soccer Hall of Fame.