



## **DAVE PASQUITO**

**Another graduate of the Lawrence Hamnetts pipeline joins the Hall tonight. Dave Pasquito was a lethal scorer throughout his high school and college years and was the driving force on a number of championship teams. Also a member of the MCCC Soccer and Athletic Halls of Fame, we are honored to induct Dave Pasquito into the 2024 class of the Mercer County Soccer Hall of Fame.**

**Following in the footsteps of many Cardinal booters who blazed a trail for future players, Dave was a major catalyst in Lawrence's 1980 State Championship run. As a starting forward for legendary coach Lou Angebrandt, he scored sixteen goals, including the winning goal in the final against Livingston. He was named to the Trenton Times All-County team for his fine season.**

**He then moved to the powerhouse Mercer County Community College program with other local standouts such as Bob Tartaglia, Ben McMichael and Petro Hul, where he continued his assault on the opponent's goal. Under HOF coach Stan Dlugosz in the 1981 season, he helped the Vikings to a 19-2-1 record, leading the team in scoring with fourteen goals. 1982 was another step forward for Dave under new coach Derek Trevis. His twenty-two goals led the Old Trenton Road school to the NJCAA National**

**Championship while, along the way, being named to the Region XIX tournament team as the Offensive MVP, and the All-National tournament team.**

**After his time at Mercer, he took the ride south to the University of Maryland, where he led the team in scoring in 1983. An unfortunate knee injury ended his career for the Terrapins. Locally, he played for many local championship club sides, such as Trenton Panorama, Mercer Juniors, and Mercer Rowdies. In 1982, he joined a virtual local all-star team on the Charlie Inverso and Dennis Kinnevy coached Garden State Tire side that won the NJ State Cup, teaming up with such players as Rick Kraemer, Joe and Mike Donigan and the late and much missed Chris Colavita to bring a championship back once again to Mercer County.**

**A successful sales executive, husband, and father, Dave Pasquito's mark on Mercer County soccer is indelible. We welcome him into the Mercer County Soccer Hall of Fame, Class of 2024.**