

## ***Rutgers-Newark Athletic Hall of Fame***



### **Donald Cameron**

#### **Baseball & Basketball**

**(Inducted 1984)**

A 1952 Observer article called Don Cameron “the best pitching prospect to ever matriculate at the Newark Colleges.”

The southpaw came to Rutgers-Newark with an erratic but blazing fastball and a good bat. He left with enough experience and control to play for three years in the Washington Senator’s minor league farm system. His dream of making the big leagues was derailed by a two-year stint in the Army, but Cameron didn’t let that stop him from playing ball. For two years he starred on the U.S. Army 2<sup>nd</sup> Division team at Fort Lewis, Washington.

While at Rutgers Newark, Cameron lettered four years in baseball and three years in basketball. He was named Best All-Around Athlete in 1953 and '54 and was included in the Who’s Who of American Colleges and Universities.

Cameron said he was “surprised” at his induction into the Rutgers-Newark Athletic Hall of Fame.

“It was the last thing I expected,” he said. “It’s been 20 years since I left the school. Going off to play pro ball forced me to break the umbilical cord, so to speak.”

Cameron is presently employed by the Tech Art Plastics Co. of Morristown, where he is the plant manager.

He and his wife, Marion, reside in Sparta. Their three children are, Donald, David, and Susan.