



Joe Mercurio won ten Varsity Letters at Albert Leonard High School. He was Captain of the Football, Baseball, and Basketball teams. Following graduation, “Merc” had a tryout with the Pittsburgh Pirates, but WWII prevented his minor league assignment. During his stint in the Air Force, he helped his unit win the first Alaskan Aleutian Softball Tournament.

Returning to New Rochelle, Joe played with the Feeney Park Boys Club Baseball team. He played for the Ports Chester Clippers, was Player-Coach for the Kingston Colonels, the New Rochelle Blue Sox and the New Rochelle Derbys, Champions of the Hudson Valley.

Joe Mercurio  
~ 1995 ~



While in high school, Joe was the 880 yard Catholic League Champion, and won the Peter Waters Award. At Manhattan College he was Frosh Met 440 Champion, President of the Spiked Shoe Society, and won the Jasper Award. He helped set two Melrose Meet records and ran the fastest 1000 time nationally in 1958.

Soprano served as NRHS Asst. Track coach for 8 years, and Head Coach for 25 years. His teams won over thirty State, County, and League Titles. They were State Champions in '75, '78, '80, and '84. Joe has been Chairman of the Westchester Track Officials, V.P. Westchester Soccer Officials and Chairman of the Westchester Interscholastic Spring Track Association.

Joe Soprano  
~ 1995 ~



Don was a two sport star at NRHS. As Captain of the baseball team he posted a 7-1 record with a .056 ERA. He was also a member of the Section One Champion basketball team. He won numerous post season awards, including the Con Edison Award and the Leonard Talner Award as outstanding student-athlete. “Zack” was also a baseball and basketball star in college, earning himself another Con Edison Award.

He played for the New Rochelle Derbys and the New Rochelle Robins. He is a winner of the Gus Mascaro Award for Service to the Boys and Girls Club. Don was a City Council member and Administrator for the New Rochelle for 17 years.

Don “Zack”  
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