

ALDERWOOD



LITTLE LEAGUE



The Lady Ump

It was game time and the coach went to the bleachers asking the dads to umpire. None would volunteer. Marge Sweet stood up and said, "I'll do it." She dedicated 13 seasons to Alderwood Little League.

Marge was very active in the community. She served as PTA President and belonged to The American Legion. Umpiring Little League was her passion. When she walked onto the field the players would cheer, "Alright we got the Lady Ump." She preached sportsmanship and respect of the game. She never missed her kids' game; she claimed she had the best seat in the house!

In 1981 she was invited to umpire in the Little League Western Regional Tournament in San Bernardino CA. She was the first woman to receive this honor. She would have been the first woman to umpire in the Little League World Series.

In 1982, the baseball field at Alderwood Little League was dedicated to her. Marge passed away in January 1983 after battling cancer. She requested to be buried in her umpire uniform.

Her passion for umpiring was only exceeded by her love of the kids.

Marge's son Pat Sweet is in 39th season calling balls and strikes. His son is a 3rd generation umpire.

PLAY BALL!