## CLASS OF 2017

## Dave Wilcox

David Wilcox was raised in a racing family. His father, Harold "Pappy" Wilcox had a very successful racing career from 1949 through 1971. His mother, Pat Wilcox, was the head judge at Unity Raceway for 20 years. David began his racing career in 1969 on his 18<sup>th</sup> birthday, driving his father's second car. One particular race night, Pappy won his feature and when he arrived in the pit area he told Dave to go out and "do it again". Dave went right out and brought home the second victory of the night for the father/son team.

After his retirement, Pappy became "head wrench" for Dave and he earned his first championship at Speedway 95 in 1979 in the Hobby Division. After moving up to the Late Model Sportsman Division, Dave won the championship at Unity Raceway in 1982. His success continued at Speedway 95 with championships in 1985, 1986, & 1988.

Dave competed at several different race tracks over the years including Unity, Speedway 95, Beech Ridge, Oxford Plains, Arundel Speedway, Cherryfield Speedway, Wiscasset Speedway, and Gorham Lake Speedway.

Dave retired from racing in 1996. He lives in Glenburn, Maine with his wife Penny. Dave will be joining his parents in the Hall who were previously inducted. We have father and son duos but the Wilcox family is currently the only father, mother, & son combination in the Maine Motorsports Hall of Fame.

