## NY HANDBALL HALL OF FAME

## Harold "Snowy" Valenstein

"Snowy" Valenstein was a fine player as a young man, and his skills stayed with him as he aged, enabling him to dominate masters tournaments in the early days of those events.

He had a beautiful, smooth swing which enabled him to retain much of his power. In 1960, at the age of 44, he won the first USHA 1-Wall Masters Doubles Championship, and continued to play strongly with runner-up status in '61. In '62 and '64 he was champion again. In those years there was only one master level, from age 40 and up. Therefore he was eventually competing against men much younger than himself. "Snowy's" signature shot was taken from waist high producing a powerfully struck kill shot in the right corner. Furthermore it was placed right in front of his partner, making it doubly difficult, if not impossible, to return.

## **PLAYERS OF DISTINCTION**

