



Russell (Russ) Miller, MS, PT, ATC – MATS Hall of Fame Inductee Class of 2009

Place of employment when selected into the Hall of Fame: Detroit Tigers Organization

Education:

- **University of Kentucky (BS - PT, 1980)**
- **Indiana University (MS, 1968)**
- **Wilmington College (BS, 1966)**

Russell (Russ) Miller has served the Athletic Training profession through his clinical experience and leadership. He provided exceptional care for patients in intercollegiate athletics, clinic, and professional sports settings. Russ worked at several places as the Head Athletic Trainer: Wilmington College (1966-1967), guided De Pauw University (1967-1969), Western Kentucky University (1969-1979), University of Michigan (1979-1990), Director of Physical Therapy services at a PT clinic (1980-1984), Director of Physical Therapy for UM MedSport (1984-1990), and Medical Director for the Detroit Tigers Organization (1991-2002). Throughout his experiences, Russ showed considerable leadership in several of his roles. He demonstrated adaptability and vision in the creation of the Minor in Athletic Training at Western Kentucky University, coordinated Athletic Trainers for outreach programs at UM MedSport, and supervised Athletic Trainers in the minor leagues. He still oversees the conference as the Executive Director to this day. Colleagues have described Russ as “forward-thinking, humble, and dedicated to the Athletic Training profession.”