

## Mike Downes Memorial Award Winners

Awarded annually for outstanding service to Minnesota Amateur Baseball. Mike Downes was a league president and region commissioner for a long time from the Nashwauk area. He was very instrumental in keeping town team baseball alive in the small communities on the Iron Range.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Winner</b>	<b>City</b>
1981	Paddy Moravec	Lonsdale
1982	Andy Saloka	Rush City
1983	Clinton A "Tink" Larson	Waseca
1984	Jerome A "Jerry" Wegscheid	Wadena
1985	Leo Brand	Faribault
1986	Robert A "Bob" Zellmann	Norwood
1987	Milton A "Woody" Woodall	Blue Earth
1988	Ted Nikolai	Chaska
1989	Dick Putz	St Cloud
1990	Vernie Anderson	Sebecka
1991	William McGowan	Gibbon
1992	Urban Spanier	Spring Hill
1993	Chuck Fuller	Owatonna
1994	William A "Butch" Richter	Granite Falls
1995	Lyle Freer	Wadena
1996	Loren A "Lefty" Graupmann	Hamburg
1997	Dave Odman	Red Wing
1998	Dick Traen	Delano
1999	Tom Rademacher	Rosen
2000	Brian Larson	Dassel
2001	Russ Fechter	Red Wing
2002	Marv Fiemeyer	Pine River
2003	Paul Froncak	Little Falls
2004	John Breimhorst	Jordan
2005	Jim Fischer	Pierz
2006	Bill Nelson	Dundas
2007	John Richter	Granite Falls
2008	WallyQuaas	Chaska