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Cary Holland

Cary was born November 17th, 1940. He has lived in Stonington since he was five years old. He lives in the house that he used to live in as a kid.

Cary started fishing on account of Pinkham, who is a past marine patrol officer. Cary would fish three traps in front of the factory wharf for green crab. His mother had forbid him to go in a boat. One day Pinkham came up to Cary and told him he needed a license or he would get fined. After Cary got a license he expanded rather quickly but was still not allowed to go in a boat.

Cary got his first boat when he was 11; a flat bottom skiff that was given to him. He owned six more boats after that, all small skiffs. His last boat, the "Marjorie", was a boat that Billy Hutchinson bought brand new and fished for about a month when he gave it, along with all the gear, to Cary.

Cary has been lobstering, hake fishing, shrimping, scalloping, seining, and gill netting. He taught a few locals how to gill net. He also has been a sternman for many locals. He said, "When I get bored, I go sternman." Cary fishes alone. He doesn't take a sternman.

He is one of very few the people here who have fished the longest. He has overcome alcoholism and cancer. He was diagnosed with cancer in 1996. He went lobstering through it all. All the cancer treatments never kept him away from the boat.

We are proud to induct Cary Holland into the 2007 Hall of Fame.

John Ames

John was born December 30th, 1937 to Edward and Joyce Ames. John started his fishing career at the age of 4, out of a 12' flat bottom skiff, which he hauled his 3 wooden traps by hand. He paid 50 cents for his first lobster license in 1942. He sold his catch for 12 cents a pound.

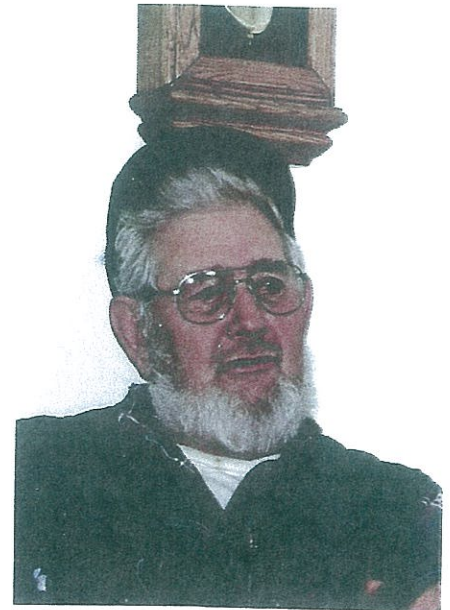
John has done many different kinds of fishing including lobstering, scalloping, ground fishing, purse seining, and long lining. He also worked 10 years on the boat "Wave" out of Rockland, ground fishing. He also worked on a 135' boat called the "Newton" harvesting red fish. They often would catch 300,000 lbs. of fish which would take six men a day and a half to unload.

John married Elva, who was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2003, and they have five children- Patricia, Jay, Kevin, Kathy, and Julie. John also had three kids from a previous marriage- Jackie, Jeannie, and John. He had many grandchildren and great grandchildren. John and Elva are the first husband and wife to both be inducted into the Hall of Fame.

John loved having his wife by his side when he was fishing. He said he would rather have a woman instead of a man. They fished together for 30 years.

John passed away July 25th, 2007 of cancer.

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Edward Smith

Ed was born June 8th, 1969 at Blue Hill Hospital to Andrew and Ann. He has eight siblings- Andy, Ricky, Ted, Mike, Scott, Bill, Marianne, and Penny. He was raised in Penobscot/ Deer Isle. Deer Isle is where he took up his residency. He went to school here and discovered his passion for fishing.

While he was still in high school he started fishing with Pearl Hardie. In 1987 he started working with Scott McGuire, the Captain of the boat, the "Miss Whitney". Ed fished with Scott on and off for about 18 years. They went lobstering, scalloping, gillnetting, and longlining. The two of them had formed a great friendship.

In 1990 Ed married Jean. They had one daughter together; Tabitha, but he also had two step children, Jessica and John.

In 2003, Ed purchased his own wooden boat which he fiberglassed over himself. He named it "Bout Time". You could always find him tinkering around on his boat. During the slow seasons Ed went down to the Cape to go scalloping and clamming. He became Captain of the boat "Northern Wind" where he continued to scallop.

On August 22nd, 2005 they set out on a trip. Not long after they left, the drag had gotten caught on a rock and the boat capsized. Two survived but Ed was never found.

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