



Chunky Thatcher

Bill "Chunky" Thatcher is a longtime Butte coach who has had successful runs leading teams in baseball, softball and basketball. At the time of his Hall of Fame induction, he is the head coach of the Butte Central softball team.

Chunky led a Butte All-Star softball team to the Senior Little League World Series in Roxana, Delaware in 2009. The team qualified for the event by capturing the state title and then winning the Western Regional Tournament in Missoula. In Delaware, the Butte girls placed sixth.

Chunky also coached Butte Babe Ruth All-Star teams that won the state tournament in 2002 and 2003. The team advanced to the Northwest Regional tournament both years. It was held in Vancouver, Washington in 2002 and in Roseburg Oregon in 2003.

Thatcher served as head coach of the Butte Central boys' basketball team for three seasons, going 3-1 against Butte High. His Maroons compiled a record of 36-27.

Chunky was a starting guard on Butte Central's 1974-75 basketball team. Those Maroons finished the season at 15-9.

As a boy, Chunky was a legendary home run hitter while playing in the Northwest Little League and Butte's Babe Ruth League.

