



Raymond F. Dvorak

Personal Information

Born: March 31, 1900, Algonquin, IL

Died: November 15, 1982

Home: Madison, Wisconsin

Spouse: Florence Hunt

Children: Robert, Katherine, Theresa, Anton

Occupation: Marching Band Conductor

Accomplishments:

- Earned a B.S. and B.M. from the University of Illinois
- In 1922 he was appointed Director of Music, Urbana, Illinois High School
- Appointed Assistant Director, University of Illinois Bands in 1926
- Introduced U of I football fans to Chief Illiniwek
- 1930 joined the summer faculty of the national Music Camp
- 1932 joined the summer faculty of the Juillard School
- 1933 he was elected to ABA.
- 1934 became Director of Bands, University of Wisconsin
- 1936 he published the book, *“The Band on Parade”*
- 1938 he published second book, *“The Art of Flag Swinging”*
- 1948 loses the use of his right arm in train accident.
- 1950 Returned to conducting at the University of Wisconsin
- 1955 Named Wisconsin’s Handicap Man of the Year
- 1955 named as Vice-President of the **American Bandmasters Association.**
- **1955 was a founder of the Wisconsin Rehabilitation Association**
- 1959 served as President of **American Bandmasters Association.**
- 1968 he retires as Band Leader
- 1976 Sousa elected to Hall of Fame for Great Americans
- Posthumously inducted into NBA Hall of Fame