



Elaine (Monette) Coburn
Class of 1955
Female Athlete Inductee

At a time when women sports teams were limited at Holton High School, Elaine (Monette) Coburn jumped at the opportunity to participate in student athletics. Although female athletic offerings were occasionally cut from the district budget, Monette would strive to find ways to develop her athletic skills. As a softball and basketball player, Monette proved to be a dynamic player setting a high bar for future female athletes. Monette's athletic interests led her to play independent basketball after high school. She also continued to play on local softball teams well into her forties.

Monette enjoyed a 15 year career at Howmet and then became co-owner of a successful, family-owned business. The successful business venture was sold when she was ready to retire. The skills learned on the basketball court and the softball field contributed to the accomplished business and family.

Trailblazing leaders like Monette helped to create Holton Athletics for women. Her athletic prowess and dedication to providing athletic opportunity to all students are worth celebrating. Holton Athletics Hall of Fame is proud of the accomplishments of Monette and honors her induction.