



ICHI MIYAGAWA

ICHIRO "ICHI" MIYAGAWA CO-FOUNDED MONTEREY LITTLE LEAGUE IN 1952 AND WAS THE BELOVED HEAD UMPIRE WHO VOLUNTEERED AT THIS PARK FROM ITS OPENING IN 1955 THROUGH 1972.

ICHI WAS LEGENDARY FOR REWARDING EACH SLUGGER WHO HIT THE BALL OUT OF THIS PARK WITH \$1 WORTH OF CANDY AND FOR "LEVELING THE PLAYING FIELD" BY ADJUSTING THE STRIKE ZONE WHEN APPROPRIATE.

EVERYTHING ICHI WAS "BLACK," FROM HIS PROFESSIONAL ATTIRE, SHADES AND MOTORCYCLE TO A BLACKBELT IN MARTIAL ARTS. HIS COMMANDING, INSPIRING PRESENCE WITH A TWINKLE IN HIS EYE HELPED ELEVATE EVERYBODY'S GAME.

THANK YOU ICHI FOR
CREATING OUR
FIELD OF
DREAMS!