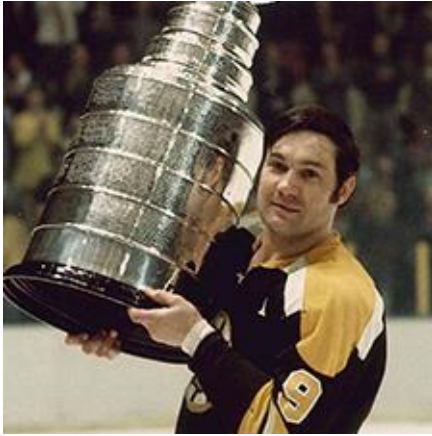




JOHNNY BUCYK

2016 ALBERTA HOCKEY HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE



John Bucyk was enshrined in the Hockey Hall of Fame in 1981, commemorating a professional hockey career that spanned 23 years, starting in 1955 with the Detroit Red Wings, until his retirement with the Boston Bruins in 1978.

As a National Hockey League player, John had 10 straight seasons with 20 or more goals (1967-1977), was just the seventh player in NHL history to record both a 50-goal and 100-point season (1970-71, 51 goals, 116 points), and he led the Bruins in scoring four times.

In addition to having his number 9 retired by the Bruins in 1980, John's notable accomplishments include:

- Two-time Stanley Cup champion with Boston, 1969-70 and 1971-72
- Two-time NHL all-star, First Team in 1970-71 and Second Team in 1967-68
- Two-time Lady Byng Trophy recipient, as the league's Most Gentlemanly Player, 1970-71 and 1973-74
- Lester Patrick Trophy recipient, for contributions to hockey in the United States, 1977

While playing in Boston, John skated with Vic Stasiuk and Bronco Horvath on a line that became known as the "Uke Line" due to their Ukrainian descent. John's playing career also included the Edmonton Oil Kings Junior A (1953), and the Edmonton Flyers of the Western Hockey League (1954-56).

Upon his retirement as a player, after 21 seasons with Boston, he held all the Bruins scoring records (games, goals, assists and points). He stood as the team's all-time leading scorer for nearly 30 years, and remains the team's all-time goal leader with 545, and is second in the other categories almost 40 years after his retirement. He retired in fourth place on the NHL's all-time scoring list, and is still the all-time NHL goal leader among left wings.

Since his retirement as a player, John has remained in the Bruins organization in various capacities, including as the team's first Alumni Association head. Although not travelling with the team any longer, John can still be found around the locker room, whether it is taking player ticket orders, or welcoming a new player. After 59 years in the Boston Bruins organization, John remains one of hockey's great ambassadors and continues to be involved with various charitable endeavours.

