

Jerry "Rocky" Kenworthy

Jerry "Rocky" Kenworthy of Clayton, Ind., is a former basketball official who also has contributed to Indiana high school basketball by assisting with historical research and co-publishing the Indiana Basketball Handbook for more than a decade.

Kenworthy inherited his love of Indiana high school basketball from his father, Mac, attending games for more than 60 years in 300-plus gyms across the state. He officiated high school games in the 1980s and early 1990s, then became part of the Indiana High School Basketball Historical Society in the 1990s when the group was researching the career won-loss records of Howard Sharpe and a some other coaches.

In 2000, Kenworthy and John Marlowe, son of former IU broadcaster Chuck Marlow, combined to take over the publishing of the pocket-sized Indiana Basketball Handbook. Often called the "Little Orange Book" as it contained boys' basketball schedules for a given season and other basketball facts, the Handbook was published from 1967 through 1999 by David Pert. After Pert passed away in October 1999, Pert's widow, Madelyn, asked Kenworthy and Marlowe to keep the Handbook alive, a task they accomplished through the 2015-16 season.

Over the years, Kenworthy also has helped research 1,000-point scorers and various coaching records. Most recently, in an effort to assist the IBCA, he has done significant research on a number of past coaches, their coaching stops and records.

A 1974 graduate of Cascade High School, Kenworthy attended Oakland City College for one year. He then transferred to Butler University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in business administration in 1978. He now is in his 48th year of operating a family-owned grain and cattle farm. He also has played in adult softball leagues and was part of an ASA State Champion team in 1992.

Kenworthy and his wife, Dorene, have been married for 33 years and live on the farm just outside the town of Hazelwood in western Hendricks County