Member Larry Staley

Indian River County

Resident of Gifford, FL since age two. BS degree from St. Augustine College, Raleigh, NC with a major in psychology, minor in recreation. 40 years' experience working with youth as coach for baseball, track & field, and martial arts. 35 years' experience as Park Director; Summer Camp Director and Swim Coach. First African American licensed lifeguard in Indian River County. Director of the Gifford Aquatic Pool since 2003. Trained, licensed, and hired young people as lifeguards. Coached many of the parents, grandparents, and great grandparents of our GYO children. Teaches Senior Citizen Exercise Class in Gifford from 2002 to present. Served as a drummer at several Gifford churches from 1980 to present. President, Dr. M. L. King Birthday Committee from 2003 to present. Chairperson and Organizer of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Annual Parade in Gifford. Member Gifford Progressive Civic League, Local NAACP, and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. Olympic High Hurdler on USA boycotted Olympic Team in 1980. Uses this disappointment to teach young people to "keep on keepin' on!" GYO GYO Board Service: 2017 to present.