



1969 - 2019

Shane McPheron

1999 Athlete of the Year



Special Olympics
Indiana



SPIRIT OF SPECIAL OLYMPICS INDIANA ATHLETE OF THE YEAR 1999

In spite of doctors telling his parents that he would likely never be able to speak or to walk normally, Washington Township athlete Shane McPherson is an accomplished athlete, competing since the age of 13 in sports including basketball, bowling, golf, skiing, swimming, and track & field. Recipient of our first Athlete of the Year award in 1999 — the same year that he competed in Unified Bowling at the Special Olympics World Games — Shane is known for his outgoing personality and love of cars.



"You are the stars and the world is watching you. By your presence, you send a message to every city, every village, every nation. A message of hope, a message of victory."

Eunice Kennedy Shriver

1987 International Games, South Bend, Indiana