



1969 - 2019

John Jenkins

*Impact Volunteer*



**Special Olympics**  
Indiana



## FORMER AREA DIRECTOR, COACH, AND VOLUNTEER AT THE 1968 GAMES

A rehabilitation therapist for the state of Indiana for 35 years, John Jenkins was a volunteer with the Indiana delegation that attended the first Special Olympics Games in 1968, joining our organization as an Area Director for the southern part of the state in 1976. Honored as a pioneer in the movement with a Spirit of Special Olympics Indiana Coach of the Year Award, John helped to organize a variety of events over the course of his 20 years as Area Director and coached dozens of athletes in basketball, bowling, softball, and track & field.



*"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*