

# Roosevelt Hall of Fame



**Raymond P. Christensen**

*Class of January 1942*

*University of Minnesota, B.A.  
in Radio Speech, magna cum laude*

- Did radio play-by-play of the U of M Golden Gopher football (510 games) and basketball (1,309 games) teams for 50 years.
- Touched the lives of generations of Gopher fans while announcing the highs and lows of Gopher sports.
- Did play-by-play of Minnesota Vikings (6 years), Minneapolis Lakers (4 years), and hundreds of high school games.
- Served in WWII as an army medic.
- Wrote autobiography *Golden Memories*, and co-wrote *Gopher Tales* with Stew Thornley.
- Volunteered to read in elementary schools, and for *Books for the Blind*.
- Inducted into University of Minnesota "M" Club Hall of Fame (1990).
- Given U of M Alumni Service Award (1991).
- Inducted into the Minnesota Broadcasting Museum Hall of Fame (2000).
- Given Chris Schenkel Award for the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame (2000).
- Named after him were Williams Arena Banner, TCF Stadium radio booth.

**Inducted September 27, 2014**