

Artist Statement — 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Exhibition of Artists in Michigan Prisons

Artist Name: Brian Sewell #435612

This years submission is titled: "Bless The Boys of Summer".

My inspiration for this piece was elicited by watching mine and my late father's favorite team playing in another playoff birth against the rivaled Guardians. As I cheered the boys of summer on to victory, I could hear my father's voice in my head, "Bless You Boy's"! Although dad is no longer alive, his presence remains vivid in my mind. As I'm writing this and glencing over at my artwork, somehow I know he would approve. I can't help but to look up and smile. Thanks Pop!

