

Daniel Bukantz - December 4, 1917 - July 26, 2008

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Dr. Daniel Bukantz, member of the Fencing Hall of Fame, and 4 time Olympic Team member, died on Saturday at the age of 90.

Daniel Bukantz was a fencing judge at eight Olympiads from 1952 to 1984 (except the U.S.-boycotted 1980 Games) and World Championships in 1958, 1967, and 1983. Bukantz was inducted into the International Jewish Sports Hall of Fame in 1978 and to the National Jewish Sports Hall of Fame in 2008.

In three Olympics, 1952, 1956, and 1960, Dr. Bukantz was both a competitor and a referee.

Dr. Daniel Bukantz was born December 4, 1917, Bronx, New York

- * 4-time US National Fencing Champion (Individual Foil)
- * 9-time US National Champion Team (Team Foil)
- * 4-time US Olympic Team Member (1948, 1952, 1956, 1960)
- * Intercollegiate Foil Champion (CCNY) - 1938
- * Gold Medal - 1950 World Maccabiah Games (Individual Foil)
- * First American to officiate Olympic finals. Official at eight Olympiads from 1952 to 1984
- * Official at World Championships - 1958, 1967, and 1983
- * 1st American to receive AAA International refereeing rating
- * Referee Emeritus, USFA
- * Inducted into City College of NY Sports Hall of Fame, 1967
- * Inducted into Fencing Hall of Fame, 1978
- * Inducted into National Jewish Sports Hall of Fame, 2008