

Ted's Bio

Ted Lansky, PENN Rider

Ted Lansky graduated from Penn in 1964, majoring in American Civilization. Because he transferred to Penn from the College of Wooster following his Sophomore year, he had only one year of athletic eligibility. But he made the most of it, becoming one of the few undefeated, All American wrestlers in Penn's history. In the 1963 to 1964 season, wrestling for his beloved coach, Don Frey, Ted came in 3rd in the Eastern Championships and 5th in the NCAA Division 1 nationals. His combined record in dual meets during high school and college was an astounding 81 wins with no ties and no losses. Following college Ted wrestled for the U.S. in the 1965 Macabiah Games, where he was undefeated, winning 2 gold medals and being chosen the tournament's outstanding wrestler.

Following College, Ted worked as a Wall Street security analyst and then as an office leasing real estate broker, specializing in representing of tenants exclusively. During those years, Ted also brought his passion for competition to tennis, winning local tournaments and championships. More recently he has been focusing on golf. He has also been a casual cyclist and skier.

Ted has been happily married to Linda for over 40 years. He has three children: Louise and Bart, who graduated from Penn and went on to become lawyers; and Becky, who graduated from the University of New England Osteopathic Medicine in June.

Being a competitive person, Ted views this ride as a great challenge due to the fact that he has logged only a small fraction of the miles that others on the team have recorded to date. At 64 years of age, he has now dedicated himself to getting back to his "fighting" weight and in good enough shape to contribute meaningfully to the race. He does not want to lose too many miles to his college roommate, Bruce Lederman.