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Gorman, Thomas A., 1925-

Recognition ceremony in honor of Thomas A. Gorman /  
presentation of award by village by John DeGrace. -  
Valley Stream Historical Society, November 19, 1990.  
1 cassette.

NOTE: Recording of the recognition ceremony held  
in the Keller Auditorium at Central High School.  
Includes recollections of his high school athletic  
career and of being recruited into professional baseball  
by James Bergen. He pitched for the New York Yankees  
from 1951 until 1955.

1. Gorman, Thomas A., 1925- . 2. Valley Stream  
(N.Y.) - History. I. Valley Stream Historical Society.  
II. DeGrace, John A. III. Title.

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS:

1. Outline of interview - Prepared by Helen Dowdeswell.
2. Photograph of (L to R) Arlene Hinklemayer, H. Bertram Keller,  
Thomas A. Gorman, Dr. John Glynn, taken November 19, 1990. \*
3. Program for Recognition Ceremony. \*\*

\*Original photograph is filed in the Valley Stream Historical  
Photograph Collection.

\*\*Original program is filed in the Valley Stream History Files.

VALLEY STREAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY ORAL HISTORY RECORDING  
RECOGNITION CEREMONY IN HONOR OF THOMAS A. GORMAN

November 19, 1990

Welcome and Introduction by Dr. Glenn E. Grube

Presentation of Award by Village by Mayor John DeErase

Presentation by Central High School Dr. John Glynn, Principal and  
Bernadette Rotolo, Student Council President

Acceptance by Mr. Thomas Gorman

Recollections of high school athletic career and of being  
recruited into professional baseball by James Bergen. Career with  
the N.Y. Yankees as pitcher.

Counseling students to finish school and if possible go on  
to college.

Presentation by a representative of Congressman Raymon McGrath



(L to R) Arlene Hinklemayer, H. Bertram Keller,  
Thomas A. Gorman, Dr. John Glynn, taken November 19, 1990.



Village of Valley Stream  
and  
Valley Stream Central High School District

Recognition Ceremony  
in honor of

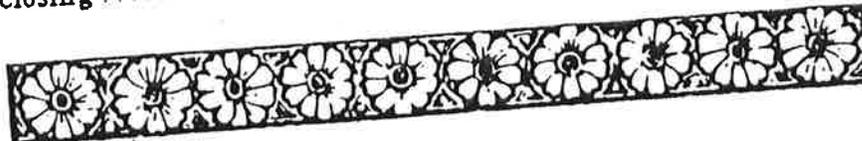
**THOMAS A. GORMAN**

November 19, 1990, 10:30 a.m.  
Central High School's Keller Auditorium

**Program**

Music by the Central High School Band  
Robert A. Pratt, Director

- Welcome and Introduction ..... Dr. Glenn E. Grube,  
Superintendent of Schools
- Presentation of Award by Village ..... Mr. John DeGrace,  
Mayor, Village of Valley Stream
- Presentation by Central High School ..... Dr. John Glynn,  
Central High School Principal  
Bernadette Rotolo, Central Student Council President
- Acceptance ..... Mr. Thomas Gorman
- Special Presentation to the Village of Valley Stream  
by a representative of Congressman Raymond McGrath
- Closing ..... Dr. John Glynn





## THOMAS A. GORMAN

Born in New York City but raised in Valley Stream from the age of four months old, Thomas Gorman's boyhood home was at 22 Pershing Avenue. He attended Brooklyn Ave. Elementary School and Valley Stream Central High School, where he lettered in baseball, football and basketball.

Mr. Gorman entered the U.S. Navy in July, 1943, during World War II. Upon his discharge in March, 1946, he signed with the New York Yankee organization and over the next five and a half years played on various Yankee farm club teams--the Norfolk, Virginia, Class B; the Radford, Virginia, Class D; the Binghamton, New York, Class A; the Newark, New Jersey, Triple A; the Kansas City Blues, Triple A; and the Beaumont, Texas, Double A.

In September of 1951, Thomas Gorman joined the New York Yankees, with whom he remained until 1955. Then at the height of his professional baseball career, he pitched for the Yankees in two World Series against the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1952 and 1953. In 1955 he was sold to the Kansas City Athletics, where he played until leaving professional baseball in 1960.

Over the course of his career, Mr. Gorman pitched in 289 games and had a lifetime earned run average of 3.77.

In 1951 Mr. Gorman married the former Marilyn Munson, a Central High School alumna from the Class of 1947. All five of their children are also Central graduates--Maureen (Class of 1970), Nancy (1972), Kathleen (1975), Thomas (1976), and James (1979). Mr. Gorman, originally a member of the Class of 1943, received his diploma from Central in 1953, following service in the Navy and employment with out-of-town baseball teams.

Still a Valley Stream resident, Thomas Gorman has volunteered much of his time over the years, helping children in the village and managing baseball and basketball teams.