

## **Brian Propp**

Brian spent 15 seasons in the NHL and made the trip to the Stanley Cup Finals five times. Drafted by the Flyers 14th overall in the 1979 amateur draft, Propp quickly joined the Flyers program and made an immediate impact on a line with Bobby Clarke and Reggie Leach. He was a complete player in all aspects of the game and made the players he played with significantly better. During the 1984-85 and 1985-86 seasons, Propp put up his best scoring totals, accumulating 97 points in each season. In 1990, Brian was traded to the Boston Bruins, but played only 14 games there and was signed as a free agent by the Minnesota North Stars. After playing a season overseas, Propp retired from the NHL with the Hartford Whalers following the 1993-94 season.

In his career, he hit the 40-goal plateau four times, the 40-assist level nine times, and his 850 career points as a Flyer is third on the Flyers all-time scoring list. His career totals include 425 goals and 579 assists for 1,004 points in only 1,016 games. In 1987, Brian won the Canada Cup playing on the line with Wayne Gretzky and Mario Lemieux. Other feats and accomplishments include having played in five All-Star games (1980, 1982, 1984, 1986, and 1990), being named to the MasterCard Canadian Junior All-Time team in 1999, being elected to the Flyers Hall of Fame in 1999, and being elected to the Saskatchewan Rural Hockey Hall of Fame in 2002 and to the Saskatchewan Provincial Hall of Fame in 2003.

Brian is also known for his unique "Guffaw" gesture. In 1986 he decided that he wanted to show a little more personality and excitement after he scored. At a Howie Mandel show in Ocean City, NJ, the Guffaw was discovered; it was a move with his right arm that started with a short left to right wave following by extending the arm straight up. Brian loved the expression and it became his signature mark after scoring.

Since retiring from the game, Brian has become an exceptional sales professional who enjoys interacting with people and is ideal to speak to and motivate your sales force.