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2024 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

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Ed “Fast Eddy” Maurin was born in Kansas City, Missouri, in 1959 and has been a lifetime resident since. He graduated North Kansas City High School in 1977, and two years later married his wife Kathleen Gregory. Fast Eddy worked for several local companies as a welder and fabricator until he joined the Kansas City Fire Department in 1987. He retired at the rank of Fire Apparatus Operator in 2006.

Fast Eddy cooked in his first BBQ contest in November 1986, and established “Fast Eddy’s BBQ Cooking Team” in 1990. The team won many individual categories and overall contests at KCBS events. He served as a KCBS board member from 1992-1998.

Fast Eddy manufactured his own pellet cooker and opened Fast Eddy’s BBQ Inc. in 1997, building pellet fired smoker ovens for commercial and residential purposes. He partnered with Cookshack Inc. in 2004 and currently has “Fast Eddy by Cookshack” smokers operating throughout the world with sales reps on every major continent.

In 2018, he designed the first commercially listed pellet fired pizza oven, which has a US patent pending. He opened 451 Pizza in 2019 and Grilling Pellets BBQ in 2022.

In his spare time, Fast Eddy enjoys off-road racing and has accrued many accolades. In 2017, he was second place at the SCORE Baja 1000. He won the Norra Mexican 1000 Challenger in 2016 and 2017, and was the Mint 400 Overall Vintage winner in 2017.