



Hall of Fame Inductee

Name: HARRY "DALE" CONVEY

Instrument: Piano

Year Inducted: 2006

By the time he left high school Harry "Dale" Convey was a leading jazz pianist in Cedar Rapids. Following a stint in the U.S. Army, Dale returned to Iowa to attend the University of Iowa, where he landed a job with Iowa City's major jazz band at that time. Upon hearing Dale, bandleader Don Hoy asked him to move to Des Moines in 1960. After several years of gigging in Des Moines, Dale took a job as a reporter for the Palm Beach Times in Florida. It wasn't long before he was playing jazz with the best players in that community.

Returning to Des Moines to care for his mother, Dale was one of the area's busiest pianist, with steady gigs at various country clubs and Youngkers' Tea Room. Dale passed away in 2014.

