

**DATE:** Thursday, September 30th **TIME:** 6-9 PM  
**LOCATION:** Petroleum Club 44th Floor, 800 Bell Street, Houston, TX, 77002



**Farokh Maneksha Engineer will go down in cricket lore as India's finest wicket keeper batsman.** Born in Dadar, Bombay in 1938 he quickly displayed a prodigious talent with both bat and gloves. He broke into the Indian Test side in 1961 and cemented his place in the side by the mid 60s with a series of spectacular performances on both sides of the stumps.

A flamboyant batsman and an agile wicketkeeper, Farokh Engineer was one of the best of his trade, as shown by his selection as the wicket keeper for the Rest of the World XI series in England and Australia in the early 1970s. Engineer had remarkably sharp reflexes - an essential requirement for keeping to the legendary spin quartet of Bedi, Prasanna, Chandrasekhar and Venkataraghavan.

His finest moment as a batsman came against West Indies at Madras in 1966-67 when he plundered the fastest ever century scored by an Indian - against Hall, Griffith, Sobers and Gibbs - bringing up his hundred with a six of the dreaded Griffith.

Engineer eventually made England his home, and served Lancashire with distinction from 1967 onwards. His chiselled features and rugged good looks made him an obvious successor to Keith Miller and Denis Compton as a Brylcreem model.

**PROGRAM DETAILS: NETWORKING. CASH BAR. SEATED DINNER**  
**ADMISSION CHARGES: MEMBER \$35.00; STUDENTS \$25.00; NON-MEMBER \$55.00**