

1984 – Iowa Men's Fast Pitch State Softball Tournament

Sioux City Penn Corp (with Pete Sandman, Darwin "Swede" DeVries and Dennis Quade pitching) topped a field of 16 teams at the tournament played at Cedar Rapids Kirkwood Softball Complex. Penn Corp defeated Des Moines Like Bombers 4-3 in the "if" game with Sandman the winning pitcher. Bombers won the first championship game 4-1.

Tom Bakey, Vince Blom and Dennis Linderbaum pitched for the Bombers in the tournament, with Bakey named MV Pitcher and Bombers' Tom Peterson MV Player with four homeruns and 13 RBI. Steve Maguire's bases-loaded two out single in bottom of seventh inning was winning hit.

Two unheralded teams finished third and fourth: West Union Sundown Budweiser (Joe Wedeking and Ron Pleggenkuhle) and Hawarden Borchers Supply (Mike Cauwels, Mark Millage and Gary Van Wyhe).

It marked the first time a Sioux City team won the state championship since 1964. Also, for the first time, the top three teams advanced to the regional tournament in Lincoln, Nebraska. 1984 was the year Clear Lake Butt'r Topp and Cedar Rapids Modern Piping combined to become the GRL Iowans and advanced to the regional tournament automatically as Butt'r Topp was defending champion. GRL Iowans would finish second in the Lincoln regional.