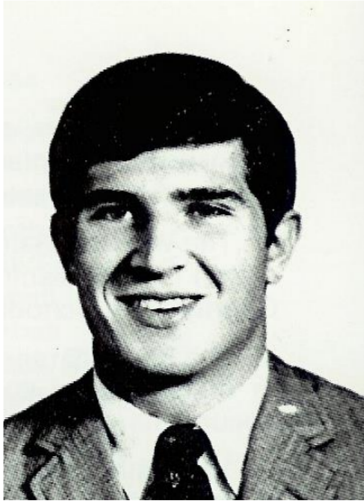


# 1989 INDUCTEE



## MICHAEL GORDON CULBRETH

Category: Player

School(s): West Forsyth High School

MICHAEL GORDON CULBRETH was a versatile athlete for the West Forsyth High School Titans, in addition to being a Who's Who type scholar. He played football, basketball and ran track - excelling in all. He was an Honorable Mention All-Conference player in Basketball his junior year.

Culbreth hardly had time to breath (pun intended) his senior year. His achievements, honors, and awards astounded even his most intimate friends and family members. They were: President, Student Council; Key Club; Mongram Club; Co-captain Football; All-City/County Football (center/linebacker); All-Conference Football; MVP, Varsity Basketball; Best All-Around Student; Danforth Award; Athletic Council Member; East-West All-Star Football Team; Broke West High Rebound Record (17); a Morehead Scholar.

He accepted a Football Grant-In-Aid from Davidson College and graduated in 1970 with a B.A. Degree in Sociology with a minor in Psychology. He is a graduate of Duke University's Law School and a member of the North Carolina Bar Association. He has done creative writing; been a legal Advisor in Labor Relations at Continental Can Company, Greenwich, CT; Manager of Continental Paper Company, Augusta, GA; and presently serves as Industrial Relations Manager, Federal Paper Board Company, Augusta, GA.

Culbreth and his wife Martha have two children: Anna and Christine. They are members of the Green Street West Presbyterian Church where he is an elder and Sunday School teacher.



# 1989 INDUCTEE



## HARRY E. LASH

Category: Player

School(s): Columbian Heights High School

HARRY EVANS LASH was an outstanding student-athlete at Columbian Heights High School in the 1920's. He played tackle on the 1927 and 1928 football teams and was the center of the 1928 varsity basketball team. The football team won the Western Association State Football Championship in 1928.

In 1932, while at Alabama State College in Montgomery, Lash received national recognition by being selected for the Chicago Defender Newspaper's All American Football Team. He transferred to North Carolina A & T College where he continued to play football and received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1938.

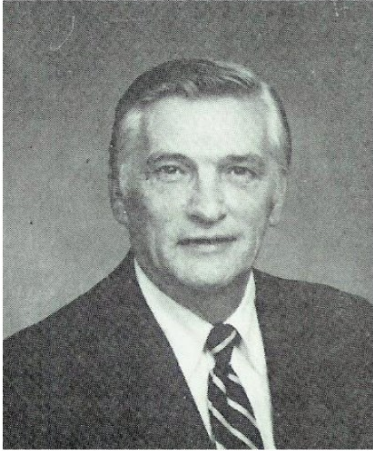
From 1938 to 1940, Lash taught Industrial Arts and was coach of the basketball, football and track teams at Madison High School in Albany, GA. While there, he introduced and promoted field events for the girl's track team and became the first male coach for Alice Coachman, who later became the first black woman to win an Olympic Gold Medal setting a new world record in the high jump at the 1948 Olympics in London, England.

He was a track official for many years, and received an award of distinction from the Middle Tennessee Track Athletic Congress Officiating Association in April, 1988.

Lash is an avid huntsman and fisherman, is a longtime member of Clark Memorial Methodist Church where he sings bass in the choir, and is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. He is married to the former Jimmie Costner.



# 1989 INDUCTEE



## DAVID ELLIOT POOLE

Category: Player

School(s): Children's Home

DAVID ELLIOT POOLE was the third member of his family to star in athletics for The Children's Home. He is one of the few athletes to have made All-State in three sports, football, basketball and baseball. As a blocking back on the football team, Dave was chosen All-City, All-Conference and All-State and was twice voted the Most Valuable Player in the Piedmont Bowl.

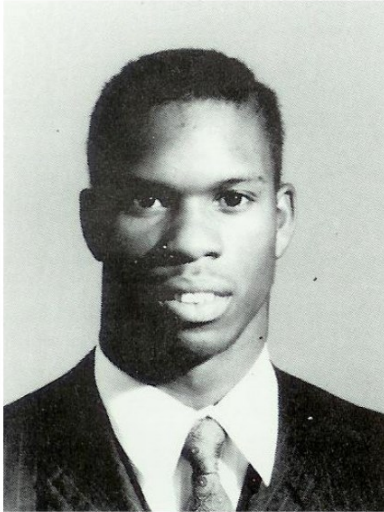
In basketball Dave was All-Conference 3 years, All- Tournament 3 years, and All-Journal and Sentinel Tournament for one year. He was the leading scorer for the team and set a Children's Home record for one season of 367 points.

In baseball, Dave played in the infield as a freshman, but switched to catcher during his sophomore year and immediately became a star. He led the team's hitting in 1945 but his throwing arm was a great asset to the team. Runners were reluctant to try to advance with Dave catching.

His outstanding play earned him a contract with the Cincinnati Reds. Although he never made it to the major



# 1989 INDUCTEE



## DAVID R.J. PLUMMER

Category: Player

School(s): R.J. Reynolds High School

DAVID R. J. PLUMMER lettered In Football and Track for three years at R. J. Reynolds High School, graduating In 1971. He was selected to the All-City/County Football team in 1968-70 and the All-Conference team in 1969-70 while Reynolds High was capturing three Conference Championships, 1968-70.

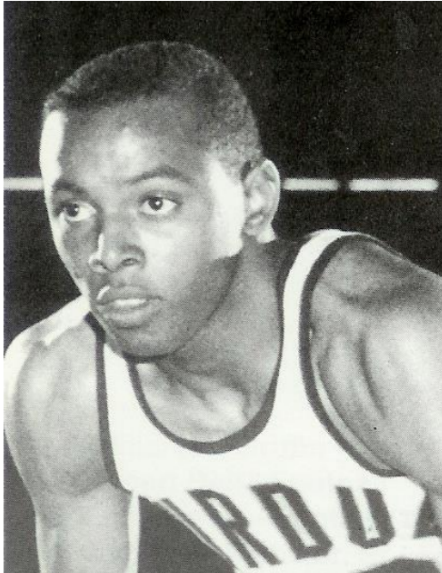
Plummer was rewarded for his hard and tricky running from his halfback slot by receiving The Thomas Wilson Cup in 1971 by being named The Outstanding Athlete at Reynolds High School. He also was the recipient of the Winston-Salem Sportsmen Club's Most Valuable Player Award at the Annual Banquet of Champions Program.

Plummer exhibited his prowess as a supreme athlete in 1971 by winning the Decathlon Trophy in City/County Competition.

Plummer attended North Carolina Central University and UNC-Chapel Hill. Presently he is a practicing dentist, eligible bachelor and a faithful member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.



# 1989 INDUCTEE



## HERMAN LEE GILLIAM JR.

Category: Player

School(s): Atkins High School

HERMAN LEE GILLIAM was known as a proto-type student-athlete while playing three years of varsity basketball and tennis at Atkins High School. He also served as Student Council President. During his senior year, 1965, Gilliam was selected to the All City/County team (honorary captain). The Winston-Salem Sportsman Club named him to their All-Star Team at the Banquet of Champions Program. "He's a boy who can do everything on a basketball court," his coach, George Green said often, adding "if ever a boy deserved high school All-American, Herman did.

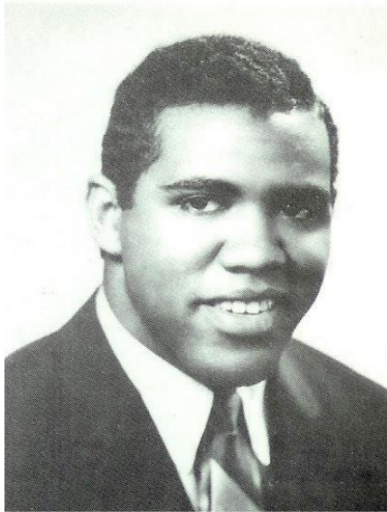
Gilliam entered Purdue University playing under Coach George King. The team eventually became runners-up in the NCAA Finals. Gilliam became the fourth sophomore in Boilermaker history to be named the basketball team's most valuable player. He was MYP twice and won the Ward Lambert Scholarship Trophy his senior year.

Gilliam played for eight years in the National Basketball Association with the Cincinnati Royals, the Seattle SuperSonics, and the 1977 NBA Champions, the Portland Trailblazers. After Gilliam left the NBA, he became an entrepreneur in transportation in Atlanta, and invested in other business enterprises on the West Coast. Gilliam was the editor and publisher of the NBA magazine, the Inside.

Presently, "Reb," a Purdue moniker, is working with the Employment Division of the Department of Human Resources in Portland, Oregon. He is a single parent with two sons, Jai Herman and Riki Jamil.



# 1989 INDUCTEE



## WILLIAM E. "Billy" MCKOY

Category: Player

School(s): Atkins High School

WILLIAM EDMOND (BILLY) McKOY. JR. attended Atkins High School and was an all-around athlete excelling in football, basketball and track and field during 1962 - 1966.

The highlights of McKoy's career came during the 1965-66 seasons. During this time, Billy made All-City/County, All-Conference, and All-State in Football and Basketball. He was a Shrine Bowl selection in Football, Forsyth County Basketball "Player of the Year" and runner-up as "Football Player of the Year." He was also selected to the Winston-Salem Sportsmen Club's All-City /County Football and Basketball first team at the Banquet of Champions Award Banquet and Awards Program. McKoy capped-off his career by winning the NCHSAA State Championship in the Shot Put, 100yd. Dash, 200 yd. Dash and running a leg on the 880 yd. Relay team.

McKoy was awarded a full Football Scholarship to Purdue University. At Purdue, Me Koy was an instant success as a Defensive-End while creating havoc in the Big 10 Conference against such powers as Ohio State, Michigan, Notre Dame, Minnesota and Iowa. McKoy was a premium draft pick in the NFL and played several years before his retirement from the Denver Broncos.

McKoy has been a Small Business Consultant while pursuing varied enterprises since leaving the National Football League. Presently he is the Metropolitan Atlanta YMCA Teen Director, Me Koy makes his home in College Park, Georgia.



# 1989 INDUCTEE



## FRANCIS WILLIAMSON POOLE

Category: Player

School(s): Children's Home

FRANCES WILLIAMSON POOLE was a natural athlete. She participated in the only two sports The Children's Home sponsored for girls, basketball and softball. She also excelled in Play Day activities in sprints and jumping.

Frances played short stop on the softball team. While she was playing, their winning record was 64 wins and no losses. No All-City or All-Conference teams were selected in those years, but if there had been she would have been on them all.

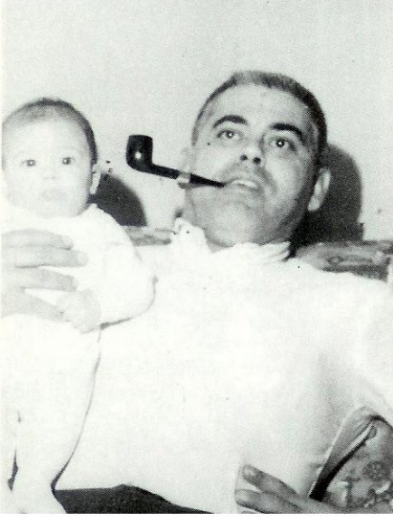
As a forward on the basketball team, Frances played regularly for three years. Their record during those years was 59 wins and 6 losses. The 1945 team won the Winston-Salem Journal and Sentinel Tournament. She made the All-Tournament Team for three years as well as the All-Conference Teams.

This very modest young lady was a favorite of her teammates and her fans. She was a team player who excelled in every way.

Francis is married to David, her childhood sweetheart from The Children's Home.



# 1989 INDUCTEE



## JOSEPH L. WHEELING

Category: Player

School(s): R.J. Reynolds High School

JOSEPH LINDSAY WHEELING was a three-sport star in football, baseball, and track, 1947-51, at R. J. Reynolds High School. In football, Wheeling was a tackle making the All-City First Team in 1948 and 1950. He was All-Conference Second Team in 1950. As a catcher for the baseball team from 1948-51, Joe was named "Player of the Week" in 1949 and was voted Honorable Mention for the 1949 Cardinal Cup (Most Valuable Player) Award. In track and field the "Big Falla" held his own in the Shot Put and Javelin throw.

Receiving a full scholarship to Appalachian State Teacher's College, Wheeling earned a B.S. Degree in Social Studies and Physical Education. He taught and coached at Appalachian State, Staunton Military Institute, University of Virginia and Fort Defiance High School, Augusta County, Virginia. He received a Master's Degree from the University of Virginia, and held positions with various school systems there. Wheeling retired from public education in 1985 and became an instructor in the department of Mechanical Engineering, Virginia Military Institute (VMI), Lexington VA.

Presently, Wheeling is the president of White Front Meats, Inc. in Lexington, VA where he makes his home with his wife, Jane. They are the proud parents of two children, Jennifer, an RN and Joseph Samuel, a student at Elon College.





# 1989 INDUCTEE



## GEORGE H. GREEN

Category: Coach

School(s): Atkins High School

GEORGE HAROLD GREEN received a B.S. degree in Physical Education and Health from North Carolina Central University in Durham, N.C. and an M.S. degree and Principal's Certificate from North Carolina A & T University, Greensboro, N.C.

Green was in high school athletics and administration for thirty years before recently retiring as principal of Northwest Middle School in the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School System in June, 1988. Green served as head basketball coach at Atkins High School from 1956-1970, retiring with a 237-49 record while winning State Championships in 1957 and 1959 and nine district or conference championships. He also served as Athletic Director and an assistant coach for football, track, and baseball while at Atkins. Some of his former players who have been inducted into the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County High School Sports Hall of Fame and/or played professional basketball are "Week" Porter, Gene Wets, Herman Gilliam and "Happy" Hairston.

"Coach" now enjoys a relaxed life with his lovely wife, Barbara, and several grandchildren-while cooking, jogging and "manicuring" the lawn!

