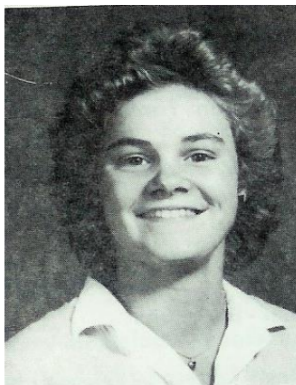


# 1997 INDUCTEE



## ELIZABETH "Betsy" NOELL

Category: Player

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

Elizabeth "Betsy" Noell - as a freshman was singled out by coaches Greg Sims and Mike Southard as a future star in basketball and soccer, respectfully, at R.J. Reynolds High School. Betsy took off in orbit in soccer her freshman year. She established herself as one of the Piedmont's finest by leading the Lady Deacons in scoring with 21 goals, second in assists with seven (7), and had six (6) game-winning scores. In basketball, she helped lead Reynolds to the conference tournament championship by averaging 10 points and four (4) assists per game. She also tacked her name on the school's honor roll.

In 1987 Betsy was named Female Athlete of the Year at Reynolds. When asked what makes her successful at sports she stated, "I love sports and that love makes me work harder to be successful." She went on to add that to play sports, you have to have discipline, dedication and determination. Betsy's awareness of those three principles has indeed led her to super stardom as she pursued the hard path of being a two-sport athlete- and the straw that stirred the drink in both!

Along the way, Betsy was rewarded for her perseverance and resolve to be the best. Her achievements were excelled by few:

All-Central Piedmont Conference (Basketball), 1987, 1988, 1989

CPC Basketball Player-of-the-Year, 1988

Winston-Salem Journal All-Northwest Basketball Team, 1988

All-Central Piedmont Conference Soccer Team, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989

CPC Soccer Player-of-the-Year, 1988, 1989

North Carolina Scholastic Coaches Association All-Regional Soccer Team, 1986, 1987, 1988.

1989. Second Team All-State (Soccer) 1987, I 1988

All-State First Team (Soccer), 1989

Homecoming Queen, 1989

Athletic Scholarship to Guilford College (Soccer), 1989

Betsy, the Point Guard, Soccer Forward and Striker continues to be a force within her family and community in Atlanta, Georgia. When you speak of Elizabeth "Betsy" Noell, you must be prepared to witness the proverbial hat trick!



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## JON HOWARD "June Bug" TERRY JR.

Category: Player

School(s): Columbia Heights Senior High School/Anderson Senior High School

John Howard "June Bug" Terry, Jr. - showed his peers and opponents, while he played sports at Columbia Heights Senior High School (Anderson Senior High), that there is always room for the good little man. Before Tiny Archibald, Muggsy Bogues, and before Pee Wee Reese vanished, we rooted for the "pee wee" of the Heights - John Terry.

The Terry family would have chosen their "June Bug" to concentrate on academics. since he showed an aptitude for higher education; but his friends, who had labeled him "Pee Wee," knew he would be an excellent point guard and running back - low to the ground and mosquito fast! Terry played and lettered in basketball and football with blessings and support from the family and a slew of fans.

Among the many honors bestowed upon Terry during his stellar two-sport career included: Captain of basketball and football for three (3) years: First-Team Journal and Sentinel Negro 3-A City-County All-Star Basketball Team along with Hall of Famer Albert "T-Ball" Conner, Ed Hallums, Russell Rice, Harvey Jeffries, Gary Lee, Charles Nevels, "Sonny" Butler, Wilbur Rice and selected others from the area. In 1962, his senior year, John dropped a record 45 points. The record stood until the mid-70's when Hall of Famer Tobe Jackson and other bigger hot-shots found the range.

This academically astute athlete matriculated at Delaware State College after graduation and received a BS degree in Physical Education with a teaching certificate in 1967. His goals after playing three years of basketball at Delaware were to teach, mentor and coach basketball to "pee-wees" at the elementary school level.

John has realized his dream by having the opportunity to teach and coach kids at Amidon Elementary School in Washington, D.C. from 1967 to the present. Among his reinforcement activities initiated are: gymnastic workshops, annual field day festivities, boys and girls drill teams and of course, a championship basketball team.

John has served as Support Coordinator for school programs while earning a MA Degree in Urban Learning from George Washington University (1973). Truly this father of four - Keith, India, Mark and Jonathan - has to constantly sort and reflect on the more than twenty (20) commendations from the District, parents, peers and the U.S. Department of Education he has received for daring to be involved!



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## ROBERT "Crip" EVANS

Category: Player

School(s): Atkins High School

Robert "Crip" Evans - has always been lean, mean and lightening fast! It is said among members of Atkins High School 1959 State 3-A Championships that Evans helped carry them with his speed, elusiveness and tricks, but his weight was never a factor. The boy was skinny!

"Crip", with his hippity-hop running style, was recognized as the best "true" player at his position in the state during his senior season with the Camels. His All-State running mate, J.B., often played fullback, and his quarterback, "Horse" Thomas, doubled as a cornerback. The field was cleared for "Crip" with the likes of Carl Eller, "Happy" Hairston, "Big Daddy" Moorman, "Jim Dandy" Daniels. James "Big" Price, Willie Mosley, Ezell Lindsay, John Rivers and Vernon McHam. Coach Ben Warren just pushed buttons in his wing T-formation and let "Crip" zip!

During the '59 season, Evans showed Carver High School that speed kills. At Bowman Gray Stadium, in rain and mud, he took the Yellowjackets' sting with two long touchdown runs while all the big boys were slipping and sliding - looking for ambulance riding! Atkins got a ride to the Western AAA Championship Game and a 26 - 0 bragging right. As captain of the steamrolling Camels, Evans and Company put a 50 - 0 hurt on Highside High of Durham, NC in the State Championship Game. The Camels had been scored on only twice in the season and "Crip's" scores looked like basketball box scores.

Hall of Famer David Lash coached the West All-Stars in the Annual Negro Youth Shrine Bowl and Evans and other Camels and Yellowjackets formed the core of a team that didn't give the East a chance.

Evans was selected to the All-Western AAA Conference and the All-State football teams after the 1959 season and Shrine Bowl. This lean and skinny lightning bolt was selected All-State in 1959 and 1960 for his track prowess in the 100 and 220 yard dashes.

North Carolina College (Durham) seemingly tried to recruit the entire senior class of the Atkins State Champions. Evans matriculated with the Eagles and put his name in the record books when, in the 1963 CIM Championship game against North Carolina A & T, he scored the only touchdown for a victory.

Evans served many years as a Correctional Officer and Administrator for the State of New York. Presently retired. Lightning Bolt can be found around Briarwood, New York running errands for his lovely wife, Mary and swapping stories with his son, Tony.



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## DONALD WILLIAM "Don " PAGE

Category: Player

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

Donald William "Don" Page - was already recognized as a Jolly giant when he arrived at R.J. Reynolds High School in 1936 to claim a tackle spot offered by his renowned coach, James "Red" Smith. Don had towered over smaller boys since seventh grade at Hanes Elementary School. He brought 6'4" and 195 pounds to the table and he feasted accordingly. Between "Red" and "Pop" Joyner, the Principal, Page never ate table scrapes in the cafeteria. They recognized a prize stallion and they provided fodder accordingly.

By Page's sophomore year, he had joined John Pope as a team co-captain and they became famous as the "Mutt & Jeff" duo, but not quite as funny when they strapped their leather and face guardless helmets on for action! By 1938, Don Page was approaching 19 years of age, 200 pounds and answering to the name of "Wimp". On the gridiron, he was making hamburger of the little boys and eating them for supper. He made All-City in 1938 and 1939, All-Conference in 1938 and All-State Honorable Mention in 1939. At the 1940 Shrine Bowl All-Star Game at Memorial Stadium in Charlotte against the South Carolina All-Stars, Page was shifted to Defensive End.

According to Frank Spencer, the dean of the Winston-Salem Journal at the time, college scouts were crawling with clipboards and scholarships because of the recognized talents at hand. Page was overlooked because of the position change. Attention shifted to "Chip" Clark, the brilliant Lexington wingman who caught five straight passes before he was finally stopped. After the dust cleared, Spencer "put his money" on Page as the Star of the Game. He recognized that Page was playing his first game at end after four years of tackle work for Reynolds High. Spencer said, "Don was all over the field, blocking and tackling for the Tar Heels. He played as though he had always been at end, not just a wingman for three or four days.

The legendary Clyde "Peahead" Walker was on the Shrine Bowl scene and extended Page an invitation to retain his black & gold colors at Wake Forest University. Don rambled off for a season (1941-1942) at Wake Forest and was successful as a "Deacon" instead of a "Demon".

World War II caught Page during his brief stay at Wake Forest and "Peahead" gave him up to Uncle Sam. Page spent 1942-1945 in the military, serving in the U.S. Air Force, with extended duty in England. Armed with an Honorable Discharge and packing 210 pounds of Army potatoes, Page decided to attend college a little closer to home. The High Point College staff welcomed the former "Wimp" and anchored him in the "middle of the conflict."

Page served as captain of the Panthers during the 1946-1947 seasons. He earned All-North State Conference honors in 1946 and 1947. He was also recognized as a member of the North Carolina All-Star Collegiate Squad in 1947. The American Business Club named Page their Outstanding and Most Valuable Player in 1947.

Don Page came home to Sedge Garden and Union Cross Schools in 1947-1948. He tutored and coached basketball, baseball and any other ball available to the students in these small districts. By 1949, Glenn High School was formed from the Union Cross and Sedge Garden districts. Page was selected as the first football coach of the consolidated schools. His drive, motivation and teaching skills produced a County Championship in the 1950 season.

After several seasons at Glenn and after pushing his football teams to championship levels, Don decided that business was his forte. With his accumulated contacts in the sports world and his association with Boccock Sports Stores and the renowned Wilburn Clary at Sportsman's Supply Co., Don cast his lot in the sporting goods business.

Many schools in surrounding counties have been benefited from the expertise, counsel and playing and coaching experience of Don Page - the stallion and former "Wimp". Mrs. Virginia Page and the seven Page children - Donald (Bill) Jr., Michael L., Richard R., Charles D., Pat, Deborah and Sandra - join the Winston-Salem Sportsmen Club and the community-at-large to remember a man who personified a super star!

Mr. Page died April 7, 1983.



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## HENRY JONES JR.

Category: Coach

School(s): 14th Street School/Kennedy Junior High School

Henry Jones, Jr. - has earned many labels in the community as: compassionate, empathic, understanding, master teacher, impartial school administrator, disciplinarian, an expert judge of athletic talent and not least, loud and brash! It is also the consensus among his peers and casual observers that Jones has contributed significantly to the development of hundreds of student-athletes in the various Winston--Salem/Forsyth County School System's youth and athletic programs.

Jones came to the school system fresh from Winston-Salem Teacher's College where he played on the basketball and football teams. It is said that the great coaches of the world are the ones who sit on the bench and watch the coach. Jones' playing time is not recorded but James "Milkman" Ford, Charles "Rat" Wellman and Teddy Vines were known to say that this very assertive and fun-loving guy was known as "two-point" in basketball and "special delivery" in football.

Jones played on the first championship C1AA basketball team around 1945 and has not missed a tournament since. His special love for basketball and kids have combined to make "two-point" a legend in his own time.

He coached basketball, football, baseball and track at 14th Street School for 16 years - as the primary feeder school for Atkins High School. He also coached basketball, football and baseball at Kennedy Junior High for seven (7) years. He produced over 90% of the elementary school football championship teams and won nine (9) elementary regular season basketball and tournament championships, 1947-1957. Jones coached one (1) championship track team which won first and second places in every event except high jump, but won first and third place in that event. The team was awarded 44 points out of a possible 45.

Total coaching record: Basketball 337 - 12, Football 188 - 7, Baseball 150 - 20

Mr. Jones understandably proud of all the student-athletes that learned their fundamentals and established their sense of fair-play under his tutelage. He is especially proud of Steve and "Buck" Joyner who presently coach at CIAA Conference universities (Johnson e. Smith and St. Paul's, respectively). Scores of his players have gone to college while many have played professional ball-Ike Hill, Chicago Bears; Herman Gilliam of the Champion Portland Trailblazers; "Happy" Hairston, L.A. Lakers; Willie "Weed" Porter, (ABA); and Billy McKoy, San Francisco 49ers; and assorted high school Hall of Famers - Jim Webster, J.B. Sharpe, William "Head" Griffin. Roscoe Pouncey, B.T. Williams, Hessie Smith, Albert "T-Ball" Conner and Willie "Super-Sub" Griffin.

Henry Jones no longer goes to 11th Street Bottom, Dreamland, The Rock Quarry and varied pitty-patgarnes looking for his boys. Chances are they were not there anyway - they didn't want to hear Mr. Jones sound om

The man from T.e. (now WSSU), NYU (Master'S) and Appalachian State (Administration) has made his positive mark on untold numbers of kids as Teacher, Coach and Administrator (Assistant Principal). The Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School System, the community and the Winston-Salem Sportsmen Club wish Henry and his lovely wife, Mary, God's speed!

