

# 1998 INDUCTEE



## JAMES ARTHUR "Big" PRICE

Category: Player

School(s): Atkins High School

James Arthur "Big" Price, Sr. - has always been known as one of the big boys! He lettered in football three years as an Atkins High Camel playing both defensive and offensive tackle. At 6'3" and weighing 215 pounds, Price proved, as a sophomore, that he belonged. He was vital in Atkins' march to the State Negro Class 3-A Championship over Hillside High of Durham (50-0) in 1959.

"Big" Price was a destroyer along with a few other good 'ole boys on Coach Ben Warren's titanic juggernaut, namely, Carl Eller, Happy Hairston, Hessie Smith, Roscoe Pouncey, Robert "Big Daddy" Mooreman and Ben Dunovant. On the other side of the ball, he helped "Crip" Evans, Donald Thomas, J. B. Sharp and Vernon Mel-lam gain ungodly yards on every opponent.

Price was the only junior voted 1st team All-Conference and 2nd team All-State. He was named Co-Captain of the Camels his senior year. At the end of his senior year, the "Big Fellow" was chosen All-Conference and selected to play in the East-West Shrine Bowl.

Big Jim basketball for two years (1959-1961) and was a contributing "board member" of the 1959--60 team which posted a 24-2 record and won the State 3-A Western Conference Championship. He played only 12 games his senior year, but still averaged in double figures in scoring and rebounding.

During the spring, Big Jim earned three (3) varsity letters in track and field by dominating in the shot put and the discus throw. He made All-Conference his junior and senior years. He placed 1st in the shot put and discus at the conference meet in his senior season. At the State meet, he placed 3rd in shot put.

Armed with eight (8) varsity letters from his high school days, "Big" Price was awarded a football scholarship to North Carolina Central University to play for the renown Herman Riddick. While at NCCU, Price was a member of the 1963 CIM Championship Eagles Squad. Price was named Co-Captain his senior year for the defending CIAA Champions. His weight was now a booming 255 pounds and his 210 pound co-captain was William "Bill" Hayes, who presently coaches at North Carolina A & T University.

After making the All-CIAA Team at NCCU and boosting his weight to 260 pounds, the San Diego Chargers of the AFL signed "Big" Price as a free agent in 1965. He played on special teams and spot duty his first year. The next year, he earned a starting berth late in the season but a knee injury ended his career.

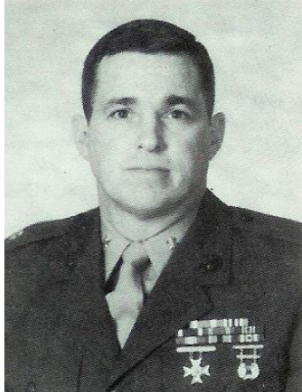
Jim came back to Winston-Salem and became an instructor and Athletics Director at the North Carolina Advancement School for underachieving students. After eight (8) years, the school was phased out and Price became a physical education instructor and assistant football coach at Winston-Salem State University. Price helped boost WSSU's line plays they enjoyed back-to-back undefeated regular seasons in 1977-1978.

"Big Jim" ended his professional career as a supervisor with the Winston-Salem Recreation Department. Jim has stated he liked to counsel kids on recruiting, selection of schools, and above all, preparing for something else in life besides playing ball!

Mr. Price is married to the former Emma Marlin of Winston-Salem. They have two children - Penni Denise and James A. Price, Jr.



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## COLONEL STEVEN W. MOCK

Category: Player

School(s): Parkland High School

(Colonel) Steven W. Mock - was according to his coach, Homer Thompson, a true Mustang at Parkland High School. Mock showed endurance, breeding and stability while playing as a 6'10", 170 pound pass-catching end/wide receiver.

Mock broke from the pack in the 1967 season to set records at Parkland that still stand: Most Touchdown Passes caught in a game (3); Most Touchdown Passes caught in a season (10); Most Passes caught in a season (39).

At the end of the 1967 season, Mock was chosen for the North Carolina Shrine Bowl Team and the East-West All-Star Game in Greensboro. The highly deceptive receiver was also awarded All-State honors by the North Carolina High School Football Board and WBTV-3, Charlotte.

After his glorious years at Parkland, Mock matriculated at Appalachian State University where he joined the Marine Corps PLC program and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in May, 1972. His assignments have included duty at Cherry Point, NC, Fort Bliss, TX, Iwakuni, Japan, Twenty-Nine Palms, CA, Atlanta, GA, Quantico, VA, Norway, Honduras, Puerto Rico, Arizona and the Persian Gulf.

Colonel Mock's personal decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Navy Commendation Medal and the Navy Achievement Medal.

During his military career, Colonel Mock has been active in intramural sports including football, softball, basketball. In November 1980, he ran in the Marine Corps Marathon. He has also coached and assisted in community youth soccer and football programs.

Colonel Mock is married to the former Donna Eiskamp of Paxton, Illinois. They are the proud parents of college graduates, Brad and Melea.



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## BENJAMIN S. DUNOVANT

Category: Player

School(s): Atkins High School

Benjamin S. Dunovant - has come to be known as the Big "Bear" for his ferocious prowess in the paint for the Atkins High Camels from 1959 -1963. The 6'5" man-child teamed with the likes of Herman Gilliam, Ray Joyner, Ed Hallums, Harvey Jeffries, "T-- Ball" Conner, James Nelson and crew to constitute a squad coached by the great George Green, which won the 1962 Negro 4-A Western Conference Championship.

Coach Green always like to refer to "Big Ben," Ed Hallums and Harvey Jeffries as his "Big 3". The All-City/County All-Star Team of 1962 featured the three players being lean and mean!

Recently, Coach Green took a moment to reflect on Dunovant's career at Atkins. He stated, "Ben was a great athlete" - courteous, polite and respectful. Other qualities he possessed were cooperation, dependability and loyalty. The boy was amazingly strong but congenial. He was ambitious and a natural leader - one who believed that doing his very best would make a difference. As a member of the dynamic "Big 3," he was great, but he was greater as an individual. He understood that as a group you shared and divided your achievements, but as an individual, whatever accomplishments one make, one was solely responsible for himself. Ben also impressed me as being a role model and a person who knew what he wanted. He knew that it would take courage, strength and determination to achieve his goals.

Part of Dunovant's love at Atkins goes back to an Atkins vs. Carver game. "Big Ben" was on the bench with the flu. Atkins was losing its chance to be seeded No.1 in the Western 3-A Tournament. After three quarters, Carver was rolling! According to Luix Overbea, staff reporter for the Winston-Salem Journal. "Midway through the fourth quarter, the Camels broke loose. Ben Dunovant came off the bench and went on a scoring and rebounding spree to sew up the game for Atkins! In an 11-point spurt, Dunovant sank seven points and grabbed five rebounds to give his team a safe 50-37 margin with 1:30 to play"

Dunovant decided to lend his bulk and strength to the 1961 and 1962 football teams since it was lacking the superstars of the great '59 and 160 championship teams, Ben lettered and made noteworthy contributions to the continued success of the Maroon and Gold.

Other outstanding accomplishments of this All-Star Athlete include: Member of the City Recreation Adult City-County Basketball Championship Team, 1965-1966; Patterson Avenue YMCA Adult Basketball League Member, 1970-1974; trained numerous body builders, 1976-1980; Midnight Bowling League Championship Award, 1988-1989; Best Sport Trophy, Midnight Mix, 1990.

Dunovant has been employed at R. I. Reynolds Tobacco for over 30 years and his contributions to the company have been noteworthy. He participated in the United Way Executive Loan Program in 1997 and was instrumental in developing an R. J. Reynolds Safe Day Promotion Video, 1998.



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## MARY MAXINE DOWELL

Category: Player

### School(s): Children's Home

Mary Maxine Dowell- was a legend in her own time as she toiled for Children's Home on the "hardwood" and the mound for their champions basketball and softball teams, respectfully.

Maxine was the ace and starting pitcher of the 'Home's' softball team for her four- year career (1950-1954). During her career, the team was 42-5 while she pitched 95% of the games. Her highlights included two (2) no-hitters against powerful Gray High School and a perfect game against Asheboro.

As good as Maxine was in softball, she proved to be more outstanding in basketball. A starter for four years, she once scored 45, 49, 53 and 57 on consecutive outings. Against Thomasville, she astounded the crowd by scoring all 45 of the Methodist's points. She averaged 36.6 per game her senior year and was high scorer for all girls in Winston-Salem/Forsyth County. Maxine was the first girl ever to be chosen "Player of the Week" by the Winston--Salem Journal. In April of 1954, the Journal called her "Miss Basketball of the South Piedmont Conference."

In 1953 and 1954, Miss Dowell was chosen to the All-Conference Team. Recognizing her outstanding talent, she was named by The Press to the All-Northwest Basketball Team. Further, the media Chamber of Commerce crowned her Winston-Salem Is Female Athlete-of-the- Year in 1954.

Maxine's accomplishments are even more noteworthy when on considers that she led a team from a tiny Methodist school against public schools from Thomasville, Asheboro, Statesville and others of the South Piedmont Conference.

Principal and Coach Bill Edwards has stated that it was obvious that Mac's (as she was affectionately called) hitting, pitching and prolific scoring contributed to the teams, but she gave much more. According to Mr. Edwards Mac handled the team during his absences. Her teammates looked to her for leadership as well as points.

The Elkin, NC native, honor roll student, "Best-All-Around" Senior has been called, arguably, the best female athlete to have attended the Methodist Children's Home! Miss Dowell left three cherished records in basketball at the 'Home' - 1) Most Career Points (1,326); 2) Most points in a season (582); 3) Most points in a game (57). The latter two still stand after 45 years!

Miss Dowell matriculated at Appalachian State University, returned to Forsyth County to teach and coach at Northwest High School for three years. For most of her adult life though, she was affiliated with the Girl Scout of North America. Through teaching, coaching and scouting she has influenced the lives of countless young people and tried to instill in them the drive, determination and quest for excellence which led her to a truly 'Hall of Fame' athletic career. Miss Dowell served as Program Services Director/Camp Director for North Atlantic Girl Scouts serving the following countries: Greece, Turkey, Spain, Ethiopia, France, Belgium, Finland, Sweden, Germany, The Netherlands, United Kingdom, Denmark, Italy, Iceland and Austria.

She has also served as Field Staff Supervisor, Executive Director of Coastal Carolina Girl Scout Council, Inc. Goldsboro, NC, Davie County Heath Educator for the Davie County Health Department and Assistant Executive Director for the Tarheel Triad Girl Scout Council, Inc. "Mac" is presently retired and living in Brown Summit, NC.



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## LLOYD CAUDLE

Category: Player

School(s): Lewisville-South Fork High School

Lloyd Caudle - pleads "guilty" to playing three (3) sports at Lewisville-South Fork High School and further pleads "no contest" to being the best in 6-man football and basketball in Forsyth County during his era!

Caudle made All-County, 1948 and 1949 plus All-Conference, 1948 as the Quarterback and Running Back of the powerful Lewisville-South Fork County Champions.

During his senior year, Caudle was named the most valuable player of Forsyth County's 6-man football All-Star team. He was chosen by a vote of the county football coaches. The all-around player was especially spectacular on his kickoff returns and open-field runs.

As a star basketball player, Lloyd was rugged, tall, lankily and mean on the hardwood. Coach Gail Lemly said, "in my opinion, Lloyd is the best individual basketball player in Forsyth County. He is a ball-hawk and my ace!" Lloyd helped his coach to look good by scoring an unheard of 30 points against Old Richmond being named "Player-of-the Week."

Caudle earned "Player-of-the-Week" honors several times before the 23rd (1949) Annual Northwest Journal and Sentinel Basketball Tournament (aka Frank Spencer). He led a strong Lewisville team into the Northwest fray and earned a spot on the All-Northwest Tournament squad.

After high school, Lloyd became the recipient of a miracle. Luther Ferrell, an athletic-minded local attorney who probably sent more deserving 'good boys' to Duke University than any Blue Devil Alumnus, liked Lloyd's potential, character, grades and family background. Ferrell recommended Lloyd to Wallace Wade, the Duke Coach, for a scholarship. Wade thought

Ferrell was crazy. A 6-man player had never made the team and a scholarship was out of the question. Ferrell told Coach Wade that football experts said that Caudle could play for anybody! Ferrell further said that if Caudle couldn't play for Duke, he would pick up the whole tab for his education.

Caudle played all right! He proved to be one of the best running backs in Duke's football history. He was voted the Most Outstanding Player in the Oyster Bowl (against Virginia) in 1953.

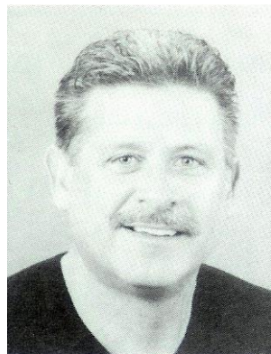
The ex-6-man standout certainly made good in the big time! The whirling speedster closed out his career with the Blue Devils with his best game, scoring three times and proving a demon on defense. When the dust cleared, Duke had won the 39th classic between rival UNC-Chapel Hill, 35 - 20, in chilled Duke stadium. Caudle's effort in the Carolina game gave him the Big Four rushing and scoring title for the 1953 season.

While at Duke, Caudle was freshman housemaster and belonged to Sigma Chi Social and Delta Theta Phi Legal Fraternity. Presently, Caudle is an attorney and a member of the 26<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Bar Association; Myers Park United Methodist Church, Charlotte City Club; Myers Park Country Club; Charlotte Sportsmen's Club; Trustee of Duke University; Charlotte Estate Planning Council and various corporate boards. Other varied activities include: Founder and Director of North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame; coach of various youth teams; president of Myers Park Trinity Little League (1976-1983); recipient of YMCA Layman Service Award (1969-1970); 1989 North Carolina Volunteer of the Year; Little League Baseball. Caudle's hobbies include golf and youth sports.

Caudle was married to Dorothy (Dottie) Staub in 1954. They have three sons - Grainger, Cameron and Gordon.



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## TIM HUFF

Category: Player

School(s): West Forsyth High School

**Tim Huff** - was a fire-balling, "aspirin tablet" throwing pitcher from the time he was discovered in Little League competition, through junior high, until he arrived as "The Man" at West Forsyth High School in 1971.

During Tim's initial year on the mound, he was respected, feared and practically unhittable! His 98 mile per hour fast ball earned him 142 strikeouts in 80 innings. When he wasn't on the mound setting strikeout records, he played a mean first base with a team-high batting average of .361. Huff was chosen Most Valuable Player of the team, won the Hitter's Award and led the Titans to the Central 4-A Group II Championship in 1972.

Along the way, Huff was named to the All-City/County team in 1971 and 1972. He was named Player-of-the Year in 1971 by the county coaches.

During the summer months, Huff carried his "lightening rod" of the big leagues organization and became an all-star. He was the starting pitcher when the North Carolina All-Stars played in the Senior World Series in Florida.

After West Forsyth advanced to the State playoffs and two straight conference titles, Tim had played two illustrious years of senior high school baseball; and in his senior year, he made the All-State team, besides being named the MVP in conference play.

Tim's zenith was reached when at the end of the season, North Forsyth came to West undefeated and swaggering. Seventeen (17) Major League scouts came to see the hard-hitting North team dig in against Tim. Tim struck out 14 batters, pitched a 1 - 0 no-hitter and had a clean single. Tim's record was boosted to 9 - 2 and his Earned Run Average (ERA) a remarkable .065.

Coach Sam Beck said in Tim's first year: "In my opinion, Tim is the complete baseball player. Most people don't realize his value as a player. I feel he is a superstar among high school players - he might be the best player in the State."

Huff also found time to play two years of varsity basketball at West Forsyth. He and Norton Barnhill formed an impressive one-two punch as foe after foe fell to the mighty Titans.

The NY Mets drafted Huff in the 15th round, but he opted to go to Gardner-Webb College. At Gardner-Webb, he made All-District 26 and All-Conference of the NAIA.

Huff's High School and College baseball career was precedent to playing in semi-pro baseball, where he was also outstanding. He played on the North Carolina Semi-Pro State Championship which played in the finals in Alaska.

Presently, Huff is a successful building contractor - Tim Huff Builders. He and his high school sweetheart, Dawn Masencup Huff, are the proud parents of Chad and Amy.

