

1999 INDUCTEE



ARTHUR "Goot" CHILDS JR.

Category: Player

Schools): Columbia Heights, Anderson High School

Arthur "Goot" Childs, Jr. - was a two-sport standout in football and basket-ball at Columbia Heights/Anderson High School between the years of 1960-- 1962. From the Happy Hills Garden Projects to a senior career executive with the US Department of Education, "Goot" has proven that athletic competition and the inherent leadership opportunities are unparalleled in shaping one's des-tiny and station in life. A brief overview of this man's courage, savvy, pride, skill and competitiveness is a model for any young person to emulate. Mr. Childs was a member of the 1962 All City-County Football team as well as on the First Team Negro 3-A All-Conference Football Team the same year.

He was voted the Most Valuable Player (MVP) by coaches and teammates in football in 1961 and in 1962. The coaches were the renowned, late "Tiny Wallace, Baxter Holman and Virgil Simpson. "Goot" was the offensive "talking" captain of the 1961 and 1962 football teams and the Captain and Point Guard for the basketball teams during the 1960-1962 seasons. His play making made the team feared as he set up distinguished Hall of Famers "T-Ball" Conner, "Sonny" Butler, and John "June Bug" Terry.

He has the honor of being the first player to be inducted into the Columbia Heights/Anderson High School Monogram Club. After high school, he chose military service rather than many college scholarships; however his sports career was not over. While stationed with the 825th Combat De-fense Command in Jackson, Arkansas, he was the starting running back for the 1963-64 base team. He also played briefly with the Virginia Sailors, a semi-professional football team in the Washington, DC area. His education credits include a B.A. from Winston-Salem State University, 1964-1966; Urban Studies at the University of DC in 1971; a M.A., Counseling Psychology, University of D.C., 1973; and advanced graduate studies at the University of Maryland in 1973-76. Mr. Childs had an extensive career as a teacher in the Washington, DC area, was an executive with the US Department of Education. Presently, he manages his own professional consulting firm.



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MILARD "Doug" CRATER

Category: Coach

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

Millard "Doug" Crater - attended RJ Reynolds High School and graduated in 1952. His senior class felt that "Big Doug", might become a millionaire. Although Coach Crater obtained his Bachelor's and Master's degrees From Appalachian State, he isn't necessarily a millionaire. However he has been enriched and very successful in his teaching and coaching career at Reynolds.

His peers, Will Alexander and Stan Elrod, stated that Crater has always been as devilish as the kids are today. A stand-up comic, if you please! They stated that Coach Crater was fair, non-prejudiced, and interpersonal. In turn, the students saw him as a friend as well as a teacher. Elrod commented that he has never met a coach more dedicated and committed to the players as "Doug" Crater. Crater has been known to be a practical joker and a fun-loving guy, but nobody is sure who taught Coach that the Pacific Ocean is in Greensboro.

This gentle giant's record speaks for itself and becomes one to be emulated. In 29 years of coaching football, Crater won over 100 games, took teams to three (3) Conference championships and four (4) State playoffs and coached the East-West All-Star Game in 1976. Crater was named both Forsyth County and Conference "Coach of the Year" in 1979 as well as being the runner-up Conference "Coach of the Year" in 1972 and 1987. In 1970 and 1984, the graduating classes dedicated their yearbooks to Coach Crater for his dedication and interpersonal relationship with them. Coach Crater began the RJ Reynolds High School wrestling program and had over 250 wins including 12 conference championships, five sectional championships, and six state championships. He directed the first state high school wrestling championship to Winston-Salem in 1965. In golf, Crater won eight conference championships, three sectional championships and one state championship in 1968.



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LARRY HANEY

Category: Player

School(s): East Forsyth Senior High School

Before there was "Mugsy" Bogues and "Spud" Webb... there was Larry Haney.

A 5'10", 162 pound playmaking guard of East Forsyth "Eagles" Senior High School, Larry Haney has enjoyed the game of basketball for as long as he remembers. Like the eagle, a strong, powerful bird of prey, noted for its sharp and keen vision, Larry Haney is known best for his competitive prey of opponents as well as his eagle-eye for the basket. According to Coach Ken Hayes, "he played as well as his eagle-eye for the basket. According to Coach Ken Hayes, "he played as well as his eagle-eye for the basket. According to Coach Ken Hayes, "he played a lot bigger than his size and was a very good competitor, a good pressure player, an player with quick steps. The type of player you like to coach, quiet, a good listener who led by example. I always felt good with the ball in his hands. He was voted East's best defensive player, having led the team in drawing charging fouls.

From East... to the East - ECAC, Larry's basketball abilities excelled at the University of New Haven, West Haven, Connecticut. He started for three years, was co-captain 1978-79 and scored 1,132 points - the sixth all time at New Haven. He was one of nine UNH players to score 1,000 points, was the leading scorer in games on twelve occasions, played in 93 out of 102 games and led in steals (53) and assists (88) in 1977. Additional accomplishments include nomination to Eastern College Athletic Conference Weekly Honor Roll for Division II players, seven times; Most Improved Player, 1977; first team of South Hampton Lions Collegial Classic All Tournament, and The MVP Award in the 1978 Southern Connecticut College vs UNH game. In addition Haney represented UNH on the All-New Haven City Team as one of the Best of Five of UNH, Southern Connecticut and Quinnipiac College, received the MVP Award of UNH his junior Year, was a member of the 1978 Berkshire Classic Tournament Team, and was mentioned in the 1979 *Handbook of College Basketball*. Upon receiving his Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration/Marketing, he was recruited by the European League to play in Belgium.

Larry Haney has been employed by RJ. Reynolds Tobacco Company for the past 13 years as a Manager in Sports Marketing. Just as he did in sports, with a team playing attitude, he has excelled in the ranks of RJR with the NASCAR Circuit and in Sponsorship Sales Programs. He has received the Golden Eagle Award and was nominated for the prestigious China Breaker Award for RJR Merchandising Programs.

Larry has also enjoyed the "sidelines" of the court as Basketball Coach at Carver High School in 1980-81 and has volunteered, as Coach to boys and girls at the Central YMCA. He is a member of St. Stephen Missionary Baptist Church and is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. His parents are Mr. & Mrs. Woodrow Haney, Sr. and he is the youngest of five siblings. He enjoys fishing, reading current events and is involved in various investment ventures. You can find him on the court even today, as a member of the "Nothing Personal" Team in the 35 & up Recreational Basketball League at the William C. Sims Recreational Center.

Larry Haney continues to "soar" on the All-American team of life. His record is a clear indication of the superior athlete he was and is a testament to the outstanding man he has become.



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ALFRED POE

Category: Coach

School(s): Carver High School

Alfred Poe - received accolades from the Winston-Salem Sports Commission by being named "Coach of the Year" for high school. He and Dave Odom were depicted as having demonstrated a positive winning attitude and concern for student-athletes both on and off the field. It was further stated that the Wake Forest and Carver High School coaches shared their time, ability, and patience with the youth of Winston-Salem and Forsyth County.

A sportswriter once said that Poe's record in the 9-10 high school division was pure poetry. Poe won so often and with such ease that some said he saw victory in a shaded light. Poe himself said that he yearned for the day when Carver could shift to a regular 9-12 senior 4-year high school division.

Along the way, "The Wizard," as Poe has been affectionately called by the coaching fraternity, has created highlights that would make ESPN and WXII-TV proud. These accomplishments include being named Central Piedmont Conference "Coach of the Year" for both 1996 and 1997; Central Piedmont 3-A Conference Championships in 1996 and 1997; State 3-A Sectional Championships, 1996 and 1997; State Regional Play-off, second place 1996, 1997; Frank Spencer Holiday Classic Tournament Championship in 1990, 1991, and 1996; Metro 4-A Conference Title, 1991; Metro 4-A "Coach of the Year", 1991. His high school record was 175-14 and his senior high school record was 300-116.

Poe was elected to North Carolina Central University' Hall of Fame in Tennis. He is presently the Athletics Director at Carver High School. Coach Poe is proud of his wife and "bench coach," Carol and their three children, Alisa, Camille, and William.



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SCOTT RUSSELL

Category: Player

School(s): Parkland High School

Scott Russell was Coach Homer Thompson's pride and joy as a student and athlete. Coach Tom Muse labeled him very early as a winner. They said, according to Tom Sieg, that Scott was hard to believe. At 18, he didn't drink, smoke, fool with drugs or anything else he thought might harm himself or others. He also believed in America, his fellow man, God and the three R's.

His only "flaw" during his senior year was a "B" in calculus to go along with his other "straight A's"! Despite some slight foot injuries during the year, Scott was able to excel in basketball and baseball to make this Parkland Mus-tang as feared in these sports as he was in football.

Scott always wanted to pursue higher education. His excellence in calculus, physics, Honors English and Spanish dictated that he was on the threshold of realizing his dream of becoming an electronics engineer with management responsibilities. His academic excellence also gained him the prestigious Morehead Scholarship. This pass catcher, blocker, tackler, first baseman, the "brains" of the basketball team has indeed become a pacesetter as he looks toward unlimited horizons.

Scott's athletic career began early on with the Greyhound Midget Champion Football team in 1972 and in 1975 he was member of the Tiny Greyhound National Champion team. In 1979 and 1980, he was part of the Super 25 (Sentinel) Football team as well as being named to the Central 4-A District All-Conference Football roster. In 1980, he was selected for the All-Northwest Football Team and in 1981 he was a member of the North-South All Star Game. While attending Duke University, Scott was named to the 1985 All-ACC Football Team.

Scott is employed at Ferguson Enterprises as manager of the Triad offices. He is married to Tricia and they have 2 sons, Scott and Rob.



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JEROME "Heart Trouble" WATSON

Category: Player

School(s): Carver High School

Jerome "Heart Trouble" Watson - was a stalwart lineman during the Golden Era of football championships at Carver High School. He was an anchor of Carver's great lines that fought in the trenches with blood, sweat and tears until victory was imminent. Watson was a superb blocker as a center, and quick and strong as a defensive tackle - to overcome his lack of size - becoming an "all the way 48 minute man!"

Heart Trouble's achievements surely rank him among the best. In 1958, 1960, and 1961, Jerome was not only a member of the Western District Championship football teams, but was also chosen Co-Captain in '60 and '61. Additionally, in 1961, he was selected as a member of the All City-County All-Star Team and the Western District All-Conference Team.

Jerome matriculated at Winston-Salem State University and graduated with a B.S. degree in Health and Physical Education. He earned his M.A. in 1969 from Virginia State College in Education Administration. While coaching at Bluestone Senior High School in Skipwith, VA, he compiled an impressive record including 3 district championships, 5 regional playoffs, 2 district track championships and 1 regional track championship. Along the way, he coached two professionals, Michael Tucker and Jerome Kersey. Since 1986, Mr. Watson has been the principal at Bluestone Middle School in Skipwith, VA.



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MILTON "Pinknose" WRIGHT

Category: Player

School(s): Carver High School

Milton "Pinknose" Wright- has seemed to be a work-aholic and "go-get-ter" since his early years in high school. Coach David Lash of Carver High said, "He's the kind of boy you have to like. He comes by the house on Saturday and eventually he'll be raking leaves and cleaning the yard. His propensity for hard work along with his undaunted enthusiasm made him a starter at Carver for three years after playing a good bit during his freshman year. Wright trimmed his 235 pound frame to 210 and thus became "lean and mean!"

Wright's achievements have won him recognition and accolades on the highest level. In 1961 and 1962, he was named All-City and All-County Tackle. He was elected one of the tri-captains in the East-West Shrine Game by the Selection Committee. In the 1962 Carver's Negro State 3-A Championship Team, it was noted that Wright was the pillar of Carver's line, a rugged blocker and an outstanding defensive player who moved extremely well for his size. He was also known to be very strong and agile. Also in 1962, he was the starting tackle in the Negro East-West Shrine Youth Bowl in Durham, NC. Several Big Ten Conference schools including Minnesota, Ohio State, Michigan and Purdue offered Wright the opportunity to pursue a football scholarship with their schools. After visiting several schools including Minnesota, Wright put aside some 27 offers and chose North Carolina Central University in Durham, NC.

After college, Wright served in the Armed Forces with duty in Vietnam. He has enjoyed a long and successful career with Schlitz/Stroh's Breweries.

