

Seneca High School Athletics Hall of Fame

Induction Class of 2014

Cats



Michael Blassingame

Athlete

1987-1991

Michael Blassingame graduated from Seneca High School in 1991 and lettered in basketball all four years. He scored over 2000 points during his high school career and was named All-Region, and All-Area, and three times named All-State. Michael was also Region Player of the Year. Following his successful basketball career at Seneca High School he attended Howard University, University of North Florida, and Talladega College. His basketball jersey is retired and hangs in Bobcat Gym.

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Merl Code

Athlete

1962-1966

Merl F. Code graduated from Blue Ridge High School in 1966 and played baseball, basketball, and football. He was captain of the basketball team his senior year and won AA Championship. In 1965, the football team was SC AA State Champion and Merl was the captain. Merl was a member of the band, chorus, math club, and oratorical champion in 7th-12th grade. He was the Salutatorian for the Class of 1966. Merl went to North Carolina A&T on a football scholarship and played 1966-1970. The team was Black National Champions in 1968. His junior and senior year of college Merl was co-captain of the football team and was named an A-Tem All American. He was named Who's Who in 1969-1970, was on the Dean's List and graduated Cum Laude. In 1969 he received the following awards: Kodak Small College All-American, NCAA Small College All-American, NAIA Small College All-American, UPI Small College All-American, CIAA Player of the Year, Associated Press All-American, Pittsburg Courier All-American, and selected One of the Most Outstanding Athletes in America. Following a successful college career of football, Merl played seven years of professional football. In 1981 Merl was enshrined into NC A&T State University Hall of Fame. He received the Order of the Palmetto by the governor of South Carolina in 1996 and was inducted into the South Carolina Black Hall of Fame in 1999.

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Winona Foster

**(Addis)
Athlete**

1953-1957

Winona Addis Foster graduated from Seneca High School in 1957 and lettered in basketball all four years. She helped Seneca win the first state championship in 1953 and held the record for the most points scored in a game (49) for a number of years. She was All-Southern three times. She was a member of the High Notes Club, President of the Distributive Education Club, marched in the Color Guard, a member of the Block "S" Club, Student Body Treasurer her senior year and participated in Junior Choir her junior year. As a senior she was voted Best All-Around Athlete as a Senior Superlative.

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Don Ledbetter

Coach

1980-2003

Coach Don Ledbetter coached Varsity Boys Basketball for 23 years at Seneca High School (1980-2003). In region play his record was 173-141 and he finished his career with an overall record of 304-256. Coach Ledbetter led 4 teams to region championships in 1983, 1988, 1990, and 1991. 27 players were named All-Region and 7 All-State under the leadership of Coach Ledbetter. The 1981-82 team played in the 1st Beach Ball Classic. Coach Ledbetter was Region Coach of the Year in 1983 and 1991.