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Statement

(October 1, 2024) - The Center Grove Schools community shares our deepest sympathy with the family and friends of retired Center Grove School Board member, long-time teacher, coach, and administrator Carol Tumey.

"Carol Tumey was truly a Center Grove icon," said William Long, Ed.D., Superintendent. "She dedicated her life to serving others through her career in education at the secondary and collegiate levels, and as an ambassador for both her community and athletics. She will be deeply missed."

The Center Grove Board of School Trustees would like to express their sincerest condolences and will remember Mrs. Tumey as an extraordinary public servant and a humble pioneer.

"Carol Tumey loved Center Grove and dedicated her life to our school district," said Amy Counts, Board president. "I am grateful to have had the opportunity to know her. She was a force who left an indelible mark on Center Grove and girls athletics."

Mrs. Tumey served for 12 years on the CGCSC Board of School Trustees, following a 40-year career as a teacher, coach, and athletic administrator at Center Grove High School. During that time, she forged a path for female athletes, developing the first girls' sports program at CGHS. Tumey became the first girls' basketball coach and went on to coach girls' track and field, volleyball, and cross-country teams. She is also credited with creating the first girls' county basketball tournament.

Mrs. Tumey was inducted into the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame and the Indiana Track & Field Hall of Fame. She received numerous awards throughout her lifetime of service, including the prestigious Sagamore of the Wabash from Indiana Governor Eric Holcomb. In August of 2021, the Carol S. Tumey Track & Field at Center Grove High School was dedicated in her honor.

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