

Harold Dugger Class of 2024



Harold graduated from Oroville High School (OHS) in 1959. He was an outstanding athlete and a member of Block O in football, basketball, baseball, boxing, and cross country. He lettered three years in basketball and baseball and was All Sierra Foothill League in baseball his senior year. He served as president of his class as a freshman and as a sophomore.

Harold's sister, Sue graduated from OHS in 1956, and their brother Bobby, in 1957. From 1952 through 1962, approximately 20 members of the Dugger family attended OHS, and all were active in athletics, cheerleading, and leadership roles in student government. OHS was a big part of the Dugger family life; they enjoyed their lives with God and each other.

Harold was a member of the Oroville Little League All-Star team that played in the Region 8 Little League Tournament in Santa Monica, California in August 1953.

Upon graduation from OHS, Harold enrolled at Yuba College where he played baseball for two years and earned his AA degree. He then attended Sacramento State College lettering in baseball for two years and earning his BA and MA degrees. He returned to Sac State in 1990 to earn his MBA degree.

Harold loved baseball, and when not attending college classes, played for the Oroville Olives, Marysville Giants, and Lincoln Potters from 1960-1970.

Harold's distinguished career in education began in 1963 when he taught and coached at Encina School in Sacramento. After two years at Encina, he was hired by the Placer Union High School District where he remained for 38 years until his retirement.

His Placer career began at Del Oro High School in 1965, where he taught business and physical education. He coached varsity baseball for 14 years and his teams never finished lower than 2nd place and won four championships in two different leagues.

In 1982 he became vice principal at Del Oro, serving in that capacity for five years. In 1987, he was promoted to principal of Colfax High School, a position he held for four years, and was then transferred to vice-principal at the larger Placer High School. He served there for six years and in 1997, was appointed Intake Officer at Chana Maidu High School in Auburn, where he retired after 40 years in the Placer District.

Honors came in abundance to Harold as he was named Auburn Rotary International Teacher of the Year, and a Certificate of Congressional Recognition from United States Congressman Wally

Herger. He was also honored for his athletic accomplishments with induction into the Northern California Sports Association Hall of Fame.

Harold was inducted into the Del Oro Baseball Legends Class of 2015. The program recognized him: *“For an outstanding career at Del Oro High School. You have left a legacy that our current and future Golden Eagles can strive to emulate.”*

Harold served as a Deacon in his church for 20 years and was a member of the Loomis Lions Club.

Baseball continues to run deep in the Dugger family as Harold’s son, Keith, is the head trainer and medical advisor for the Major League Colorado Rockies and his grandson, Cashel, was the starting catcher for the UCLA Bruins this past year.

Harold makes his home in Loomis, California.