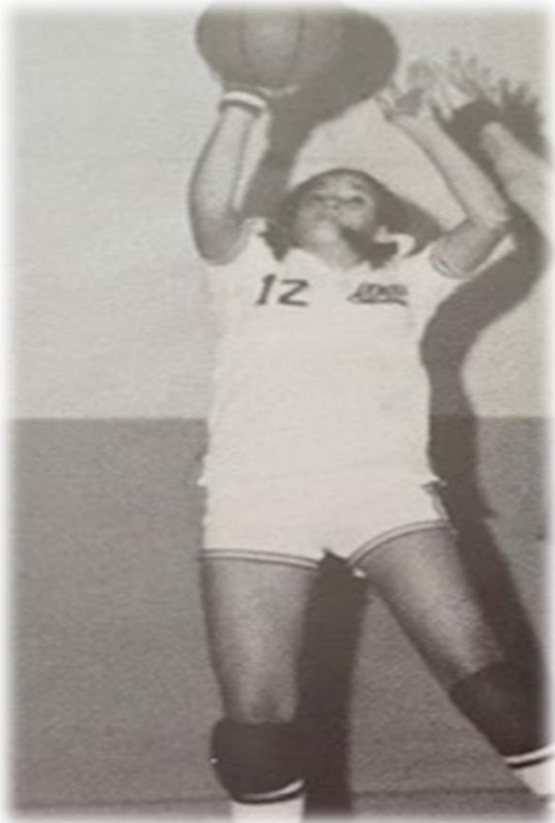


Millsap High School

Athletic Hall of Fame

Est. 2023



In 1968, a new kid by the name of Julie Smith arrived on the Elementary campus as a 5th grader. Julie immediately began being involved as a Bulldog by attending all the sporting events. As she watched the high school players with anticipation, she dreamed of getting the chance to put on a uniform and represent the Lady Bulldogs.

As a sixth grader, her dream came true when she stepped on the court for the first time and fell in love with the sport of Basketball. As a seventh grader, Julie was still trying to find her “perfect position” on the court and that happened in the eighth grade when Coach Marvin Jaresh taught her to shoot.

As a shooter, Julie began to flourish and found success in that position. She and her teammate, Kim, set goals in basketball to start as a freshman and work hard to be one of the best teams in MHS history....and that is just what they did with a season record of 29-3 their Sr. year. Julie started all 4 years and led her team in scoring her Sophomore, Jr. and Sr. years with a career scoring of over 2400 points.

Some high school basketball stats for #12 include: career high/team record of 37 points in just 3 quarters and a career/team high of 14 assists against the Brock State Final 4 Team. Julie recorded an amazing season finale game scoring a team high 34 points in the playoff game against defending State Champions Southlake Carroll hitting a remarkable 70% from the field and 80% from the freethrow line. As a Captain, Julie averaged a career high of 26 points per game her Sr. year (832 points in one season – with no 3 point line) and she led her team to the best winning percentage in Bulldog Basketball History with a 91% winning season, #1 State Ranking, #6 Season-Ending Ranking with a record of 29-3.

She was chosen as Most Valuable Bulldog by the Mineral Wells Index (listed as one of the all-time best players to step onto the court for the Lady Bulldogs) and old-timer community members have spoke of Julie as the “Best Long Shot Shooter” to come through the Millsap Lady Bulldog program. Other High School awards include: All-Tournaments (starting her Sophomore year), Best Freethrow Shooter Award – Freshman, Sophomore, Jr. and Sr. years (shooting at least 20 per game), All-District Honors and Team Leader in Assists during her Freshman, Sophomore, Jr. and Sr. years.

As a Lady Bulldog, Julie also was a cheerleader and a starter of the MHS Volleyball Team (which they played until it became a fall sport and interferred with their basketball goals).

After college, Julie came back to her hometown and helped coach Volleyball, Basketball and Track. In addition to coaching, Julie also was the Founder/Director of the Little Dribblers, Director of the Dance Team, Founder/Director of the Pee Wee Cheerleaders, and PTO President.

She is the Founder/Chairman of the Millsap High School Athletic Hall of Fame, Member of the Millsap Garden Club and Scholarship Committee, Millsap Heritage Society Member, Member of the Millsap Alumni Board of Directors and Scholarship Committee and a Member of the Millsap Exes.

Julie Smith ~ Basketball 1976