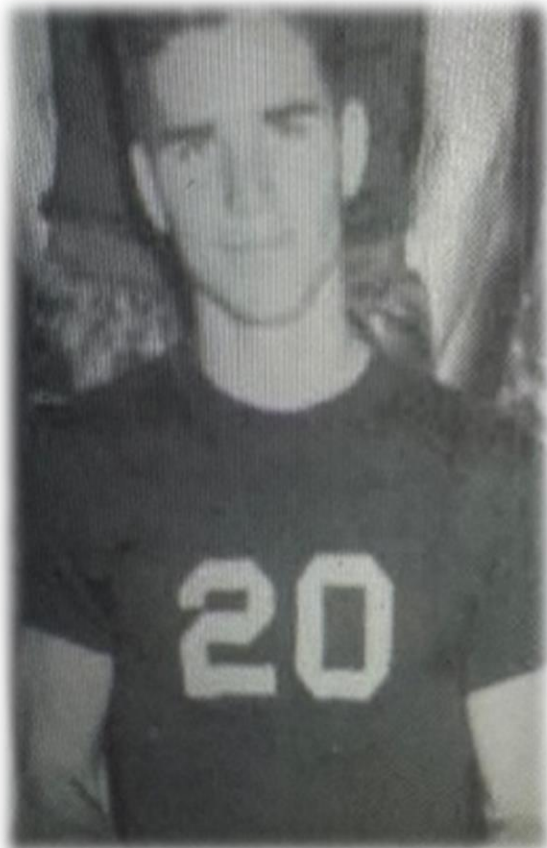


Millsap High School

Athletic Hall of Fame

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When you speak of dedication to athletics, one person that comes to mind is Martin Brown. As a child, he grew up in Cool, Texas and attended Millsap High School in the 1950's. His father worked at the Brick yard in Bennett and needed the only family vehicle to get to his job. Living on a farm and taking care of the animals was the first item of importance when Martin rode the bus home from school. The second order of business was to get back to the school for games and with only one family vehicle, Martin did what he could so he could play basketball and run track – which was to run back to Millsap from Cool so he could participate in sports.

As an athlete, not a lot of sports were offered at that time, but Martin did make his mark as an outstanding and dedicated athlete in both Basketball and Track. As a Basketball player, Martin was known for his speed and jump shot. He recalls that the gymnasium was always packed by local community members watching the Bulldogs excel in Basketball. During his career, he started his Jr. and Sr. years averaging 18 points in both seasons and earned individual honors.

After basketball season, Martin truly showed his speed in the sport of Track. His running ability is what catapulted him to his success in track and as a worthy Hall of Fame recipient. As a runner, he excelled in the 100 yard dash, 220 yard dash, 440 yard dash, mile relay and the mile run. This combination really proves how great of a runner he was as sprinters generally do not run the mile. He accredited his success in the mile because he ran from Cool to Millsap for basketball every evening after his chores were completed.

Martin ran track his Sophomore through Senior years and placed 1st in District his Sophomore year in the mile. During his Jr. and Senior years, he won District in the 100 yard dash, 220 yard dash and the mile run. He also won all three events in the PK Relays. In his final season as a trackster, Martin won the District Championship in the 100 yard dash, 220 yard dash and mile run, as well as finished as the District Runner-up Champion in the broad jump (now called the long jump) and the high jump. The highlight of his high school running career was during his Sr. year as he finished 3rd in the Regional Meet in the mile.

He graduated from Millsap High School in 1955 and still lives in the area. His children also attended Millsap ISD.

In 1974, Martin served on the Millsap ISD School Board for two terms. He is a former Math Professor for Weatherford College and is still active in the Parker County Sheriff Posse.

As an athlete, Martin showed many generations to come just what it truly means to be a dedicated athlete!

Martin Brown ~ Track 1955