

2008/2009 Elida Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees

DOROTHY EDWARDS

After graduating from Elida High School in 1952, Dorothy Edwards graduated from Findlay College in 1956 with a Bachelor of Science and from Bowling Green State University in 1962 with a Masters in Education. She began teaching at Elida High School in 1956. Dorothy also taught at the University of Findlay. She retired from teaching in 1990 after 34 years at Elida High School.

Dorothy continued to coach for more than 14 years after retiring, for a total of 48 years of service to the students at Elida High School. She was involved with G.A.A. for 34 years and was the **first** basketball, volleyball, softball, gymnastics and girl's tennis coach for Elida High School. She is a lifetime member of both the Ohio Volleyball and Softball Coaches Associations and was on the Advisory and Formation Committees for both Associations. Dorothy Edwards served as the first President of the Northwest Ohio Fast Pitch Coaches Association. She was the Western Buckeye League Coach of the Year in softball five times and in volleyball twice.

Dorothy was inducted into the University of Findlay Hall of Fame in 1984, the YMCA Hall of Fame in 1993, the Ohio Softball Coaches Hall of Fame in 1990, and the Elida High School Hall of Fame in 2003. She was awarded the Elida Sertoma Service to Mankind Award in 1991 and was recently honored by the Northwest District Athletic Board with the Mac Morrison Lifetime Achievement Award.

DARREN SCOTT

Darren Scott earned 4 varsity letters in wrestling at Elida High School. At the conclusion of his high school career, Darren had a career record of 117-23-0. He held school records with the most takedowns in a season (91) and career (179), most pins in a season (30) and career (79), most team points in a season (272) and career (713), most wins in a season (31) and career (117), highest overall winning percentage (82%), most consecutive dual meet wins (34), and most overall consecutive wins (37). Darren was the Team Captain his senior year and received the Most Valuable Wrestler Award. His senior year, Darren won the Elida Invitational, Shawnee Invitational, Napoleon Invitational, Perrysburg Invitational, Allen County Tournament and Sectional Tournament. He finished his senior year with a 4th place finish in the State Tournament. Darren was also a three-time WBL Champion, two-time Sectional Champion, District Champion and two-time State qualifier.

After graduating from Elida High School, Darren attended Ohio Northern University. He was a two-time All American and the NCAA Division III National Champion in the 134 lb. weight class in 1987. Darren posted an amazing 117-16-1 record in his career at ONU, winning an OAC title in 1987. He posted an unblemished 38-0 record in 1987, the best single-season record in ONU history. His 117 career wins at ONU place him second on the school's all-time win list. In 1997, Darren was elected to the ONU Athletic Hall of Fame. In 2004, the ONU wrestling room was dedicated the "Darren Scott Wrestling Room" in his honor.

He also served as an assistant wrestling coach at Ohio Northern for eight years. Darren passed away on Friday, July 5, 2003, after a decade-long battle with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, more commonly known as Lou Gehrig's Disease. The Elida Local School District will always remember Darren for his commitment to our school's athletic program and our community.

RICHARD "DICK" PRINCE

Dick was a graduate of the Elida High School Class of 1947. He was a 4-year varsity letter winner in football, basketball, and baseball. He was also a fullback on the undefeated 1945 football team and Co-Captain of the team in 1946.

Dick attended Michigan State University on a football scholarship. He was a 1952 graduate of the University of Findlay. Dick was a 4-year varsity letter winner in football, basketball, and baseball. He was selected to University of Findlay Hall of Fame in 1975 and the Elida High School Hall of Fame in 2006.

Dick's coaching career at Elida High School included being the head baseball coach for 26 years. He achieved a 351-157 career record. His team finished as the 1958 State Semi-Finalist and as State Champions in 1976. Dick was selected to the Ohio High School Baseball Coaches Hall of Fame in 1976. He also was the boy's head basketball coach for four years and assistant football coach for 14 years.

Dick served as Athletic Director at Elida High School for 20 years. He organized and implemented a number of varsity programs for both boys and girls interscholastic athletics.

Dick organized the first Tip-Off Classic boy's basketball tournament and managed sectional, district, and regional basketball tournaments for boy's and girl's basketball for the OHSAA. Dick served on the Executive Board of the Ohio High School Athletic Directors Association.