

What is a Football Player?

Between the innocence of boyhood and the dignity of man, we find a sturdy creature called a football player. Football players come in assorted weights, heights, jersey colors and numbers, but all football players have the same creed; to play every second of every minute of every period of every game to the best of their ability.

Football players are found everywhere—underneath, on top of, running around, jumping over, passing by, twisting from or diving through the enemy. Teammates kid them, officials penalize, alumni tolerate them and mothers worry about them. A football player is Courage in cleats, hope in a helmet, Pride in pads, and the best of Young Manhood in moleskins.

A football player likes game films, trips away from home, practice sessions without pads, hot showers, long runs, recovered fumbles, points after touchdowns, and the quite satisfaction that comes from being part of a perfectly executed play. He is not much for wind sprints, sitting on the bench, after-game compliments, ankle wraps or calisthenics.

Nobody gets so much pleasure out of knocking down, hauling out or just plain bringing down the



enemy. Nobody else can cram into one minc assignments for an end run, an off-tackle slant, a jump pass, a quarterback sneak, a dive play, pum protection, kick-off returns, a buck lateral, goal line stands, or a pitch out designed to result in a touchdown every time it is tried.

A football player is a wonderful creature—you car critize him, but you can't discourage him. You car defeat his team but you can't make him quit. You car get him out of a game, but you can't get him out of football. He may not be an All-American, but he is ar example of the American way. He is judged, not for his race, not for his religion, not for his social standing or not for his finances, but by the democratic yardstick of how well he blocks, tackles and sacrifices individual glory for the over-all success of his team.

by Charles Loftu

Best wishes to the O.V.A.C. in their initial sponsorship of the All-Star Football Game.





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Dan Finell

It gives me an extreme pleasure to welcome you to the first annual Ohio - West Virginia All-Star football game, sponsored by the Ohio Valley Athletic Conference. All monies derived from the contest will be distributed to local deserving agencies.

Good luck to both coaching staffs and their respective squads. Let us all work in the spirit of good sportsmanship and remember the motto of the conference is "Serving The Youth of The Upper Ohio Valley."

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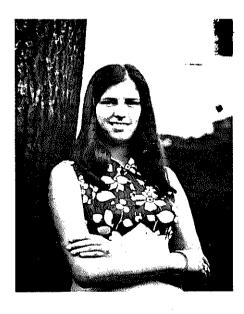
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Sept. 16	Muskingum	Α	8:00 P.M.
Sept. 23	W. Va. Wesleyan	Н	2:00 P.M.
Sept. 30	Waynesburg	Α	2:00 P.M.
Oct. 7	W. Va. State (Homecoming)	Н	1:30 P.M.
Oct. 14	Shepherd	Α	2:00 P.M.
Oct. 21	Glenville State (Dad's Day)	Н	2:00 P.M.
Oct. 28	Concord College	Α	2:00 P.M.
Nov. 4	Fairmont	Н	1:30 P.M.

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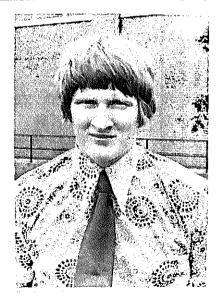
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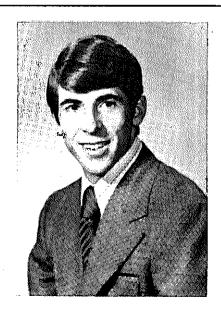
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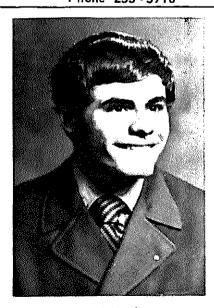
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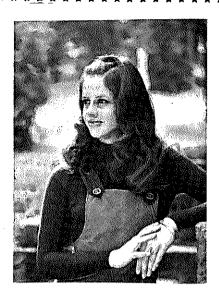
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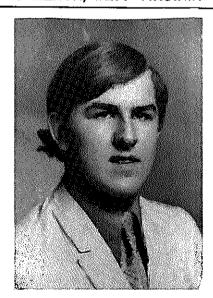
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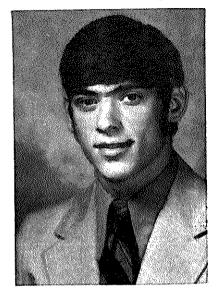
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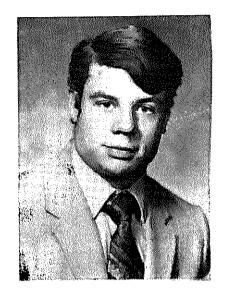
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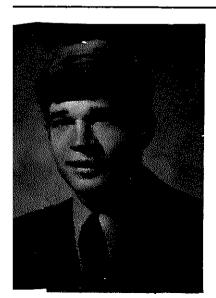


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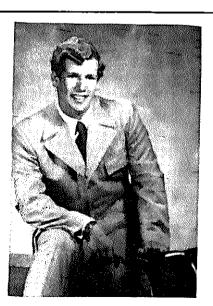
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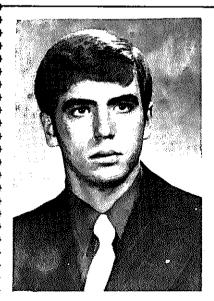
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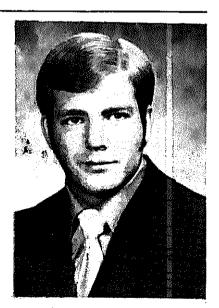
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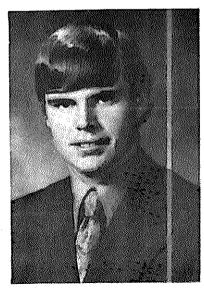
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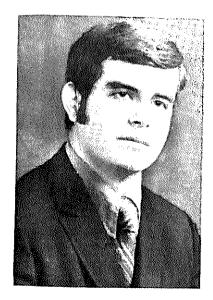
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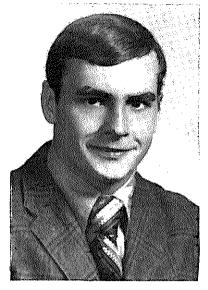
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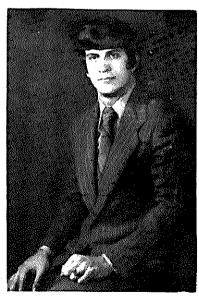
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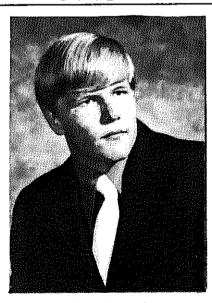
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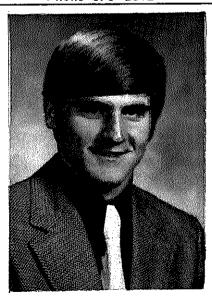
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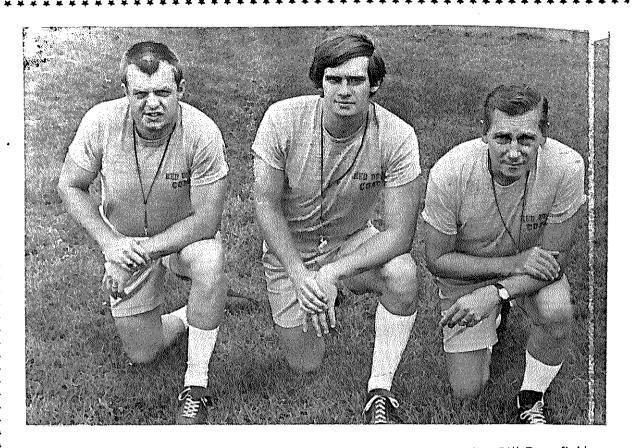
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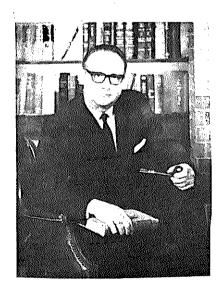
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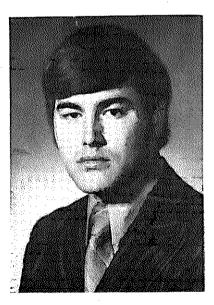
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The Ohio All - Star Coaching Staff: (left to right) Assistant coaches Bill Porterfield and Duke Strager and Head coach George Strager, all of St. Clairsville High School.



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The Ohio All - Star Football Squad: Front row (left to right), Jerry Johnson of Steubenville, John Viltro of Wintersville, Sam Mumley of St. Clairsville, Mike Mistovich of River, Steve Jones of Toronto, Mark Hughes of Martins Ferry and Tom Rice of Steubenville Central. Second row, Larry Falbo of Shadyside, Mike Pfeffer of Barnesville, Dick Frizzi of Bellaire, Scott Warren of Shadyside, Terry Wehr of Barnesville, Chuck Fillipovich of Adena, Jim Rice of St. Clairsville and Gary Kish of Smithfield. Back row, Jim Murad of Bridgeport, Mike Bilica of Bridgeport, Dan Vannelle of Shadyside, Jim Keenan of Steubenville, Rich Schumacher of Beallsville, Wally Pesuit of Wintersville, Dave Wilcher of Wintersville, Rick Link of St. John's Central, Dave Mazeroski of Cadiz and Tom King of St. Clairsville.

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NO.	PLAYER	SCHOOL	HGT.	WGT.	POS.
10	Gary Kish	Smithfield	5-6,	140	QB
13	Mark Hughes	Martins Ferry	5-10	175	HB
14	Larry Falbo	Shadyside	5-10	175	HB
16	Steve Jones	Toronto	5-10	185	HB
17	Dave Mazeroski	Cadiz	6-1	195	FB
18	Tom King	St. Clairsville	6-1	180	QB
19	Sam Mumley	St. Clairsville	6-1	172	
20	Dick Frizzi	Bellaire	6-1	185	E E
21	Jim Rice	St. Clairsville	5-10	180	Ğ
22	John Viltro	Wintersville	5-10	170	HB
23	Mike Mistovich	River	5-11	180	FB
24	Jerry Johnson	Steubenville	6-T	173	HB
25	Jim Murad	Bridgeport	6-2	175	НВ
26	Rick Link	St. John's	6-1	190	G
27	Chuck Fillipovich	Adena	6-0	215	G
29	Mike Bilica	Bridgeport	6-Ī	185	Ţ
30	Scott Warren	Shadyside	6-0	190	Č
31	Rich Schumacher	Beallsville	6-2	208	F
32	Terry Wehr	Barnesville	6-3	215	E C
33	Mike Pfeffer	Barnesville	6-1	185	Ť
34	Jim Keenan	Steubenville	6-4	215	Ť
36	Tom Rice	Steub. Central	6-2	212	Ť
37	Dave Wilcher	Wintersville	6-4	237	Ť
38	Wally Pesuit	Wintersville	6-5	252	Ť

Coaching Staff: Head Coach George Strager, Assistants Duke Strager and Bill Porterfield, all of St. Clairsville High School.

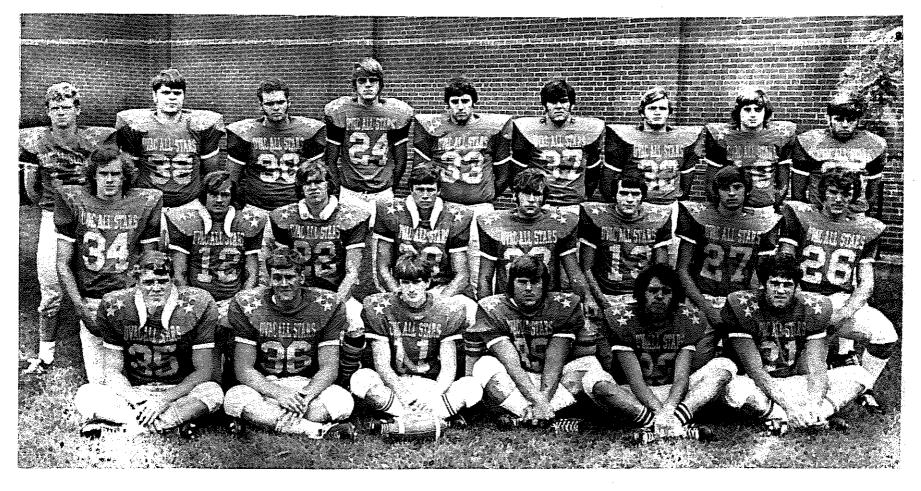
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NO.	PLAYER	SCH00L	HGT.	WGT.	POS.
10	Bob Grammen	Triadelphia	5-11	170	QB
11	Terry Murphy	Wheeling	5-11	155	QB
12	Ralph O'Neil	Magnolia	5-7	155	G
13	Bruce Copey	Wheeling	5-9	155	HB
14	Carl Childers	Oak Glen	5-11	165	G
21	Mark Bishop	Triadelphia	6-4	210	Ţ
22	Thad Podratsky	Wheeling Central	5-11	190	G
23	Jim McCune	Weirton Madonna	6-3	785	E
25	Rich Markanich	Bishop Donahue	5-10	180	HB
26	Terry Roxby	Wheeling	5-10	170	НВ
27	Rich Colley	Brooke	5-10	165	НВ
28	Terry Edwards	Linsly	5-11	170	HB
29	Bob Rothlisberger	Magnolia	5-11	165	HB
30	Dennis DeFelice	Oak Glen	6-1	225	Emery Emery
31	Jeff Naymick	Weirton Madenna	6-0	210	
32	Joe Kyer	Brooke	6-0	210	LB
33	Doug Fedak	Brooke	6-2	2 2 0	T
34	Tom Bell	John Marshall	6-4	209	E G C T
35	Jim Meeker	John Marshall	6-1	203	G
36	Allen Underdonk	John Marshall	6-0	205	С
37	Chad DeFede	Linsly	6-0	215	
3 8	Tom Meeks	Paden City	6-1	230	T
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Coaching Staff: Co-Head Coach Matt Midea, McGuffey; Co-Head Coach Tommy O'Connell, Bishop Donahue; Assistant Coach Bill Sobray.

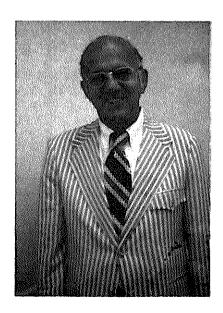
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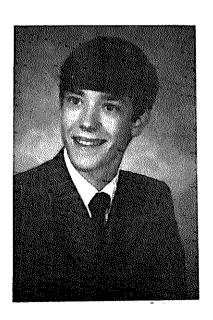
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The West Virginia All - Star Coaching Staff: (left to right), co-head coach Tommy O'Connell of Bishop Donahue, co-head coach Matt Midea of McGuffey and assistanc coach Bill Sobray.



Dr. Thomas L. Thomas West Virginia Team Physician



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The

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Story

After a two-year absence, one of the Ohio Valley's top sports attractions is back.

It's the Ohio Valley All-Star Football game and it is being played this year at Martins Ferry Stadium for the first time under the auspices of the Ohio Valley Athletic Conference.

The OVAC, after more than three years of effort, was finally able to obtain official sanction from the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA).

Previously, the game was never played under NCAA sanction. In the beginning, before the NCAA improsed a rule prohibiting football players who earned scholarships to NCAA from playing in post-season games unless they were sanctioned, the Valley All-Star game drew all of the top players from the Ohio Valley.

However, once the NCAA imposed this rule, much of the game's luster also left. Many of the top-name players were unable to compete.

The game was then under the sponsorship of the Booster Club Associations of Eastern Ohio and the West Virginia Northern Panhandle.

Despite the loss of this talent, the booster club associations, who tried, but failed to get NCAA sanction, continued holding the midsummer grid classic until fan appeal waned to a point where they could no longer hold the production.

In addition, the Stone and Thomas Queen of Queens pageant, always a crowd-pleaser, was discontinued.

In an effort to counter these setbacks, the boosters tried to hold the game in late spring before the high school stars graduated. The NCAA does not have jurisdiction over a football player with the NCAA scholarship until he graduates.

However, football in late May or early June didn't appeal to the fans. Thus, the game was discontinued after 1969.

Down through the years, the game had many innovations. For example, college coaches at times were obtained to coach the respective squads. Some of the country's top name coaches guided the valley all-stars.

During one period, both Ohio and West Virginia expanded their areas to obtain more talent. This added much more glamour to the game, but after a couple years, it was decided that the game belonged to Ohio Valley boys and once again it was restricted to local talent.

Despite the many problems encountered in sponsoring such a game, the boosters more often than not presented a top-notch spectacle. The list of outstanding gridders who appeared in the all-star game is endless.

Now, the OVAC is hoping to continue this tradition. Unlike the boosters, the OVAC has made the game, in accordance with NCAA rules, a benefit game. All proceeds, after expenses, will be used to establish scholarships at the three local colleges, West Liberty, Wheeling and Steubenville. Another beneficiary of the game will be the Dapper Dan Club of the Upper Ohio Valley, which is strictly a charitable organization.

Like any production, the OVAC has encountered some problems in presenting this first annual event.

For example, the original site was Wheeling Stadium. Despite the concern of Ohio County school officials, they were forced to tell the OVAC it could not prepare the stadium in time for the game because of heavy damage the stadium on Wheeling Island sustained in the recent flood.

Consequently, the game was moved to Martins Ferry Stadium and OVAC officials are grateful for the cooperation they have received from Ferry school officials. Originally, the game was planned for Friday night, Aug. II, but to avoid conflict with the Ohio North-South All-Star game being played in Canton the same night, the OVAC moved its game to Saturday, August 12.

Since the first game was played in 1940, there have been a total of 26 valley all-star games. For the record, Ohio holds a 15-11 edge.

Games were not played in 1943, '44 and '45 because of World War II. The game was also discontinued in 1963 when Ohio and West Virginia held separate all-star encounters.

Oddly enough, there has never been a tie game in the series. Ohio has been shutout nine times, while West Virginia was blanked on seven occasions. Ohio's biggest margin of victory was 27-0 in 1956. West Virginia's most lopsided win was 18-0 in 1967.

The closest margin was victory was one-point as the two clubs exchanged 7-6 decision in 1959 and 1960. In 1964, Ohio won by the unusual score of 2-0, while the 1957 game saw Ohio win 14-13.

Overall, Ohio has scored 278 points in the previous all-star games, to 200 for West Virginia.

TONIGHTS ENTERTAINMENT

Prior to this All-Star game, the musical entertainment will be provided by two outstanding high school bands. We are pleased to welcome the Marching Tigers from Shadyside High School, Shadyside, Ohio; and the Brooke Bruins High School from Brooke County, West Virginia.

We feel sure that you will enjoy the music they will provide in pre-game, half-time and after game ceremonies.

Director of Shadyside High School Band Mr. Raymond Ponzo The Tigers will represent the Ohio Squad.

Director of Brooke High School Band
Mr. Vernon Snyder
The Bruins will represent the W. Va. Squad.

The color guard for tonight's contest is the American Legion Post 38, Martins Ferry, Ohio. We are most grateful for these men, for taking part in the first OVAC All - Star Charity Football game.

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his is your first game, son. hope you win. hope you win for your sake ot mine. lecause winning's nice. t's a good feeling. ike the whole world s yours. But it passes, this feeling. and what lasts is what you've learned.

And what you learn about s life.

That's what sports is all about.

ife.

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The happiness of life.

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The heartbreaks.

There's no telling
what'll turn up.
There's no telling
whether they'll toss you
out in the first five minutes

or whether you'll stay for the long haul.

There's no telling how you'll do.
You might be a hero or you might be absolutely nothing.
There's just no telling.
Too much depends on chance.
On how the ball bounces.

I'm not talking about the game, son.
I'm talking about life.
But it's life that the game is all about.
I ust as I said.

Because every game is life. And life is a game. A serious one. Dead serious.

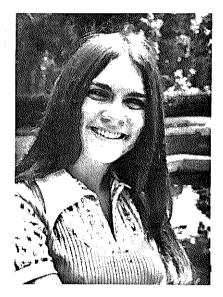
But that's what you do with serious things. You do your best. You take what comes. You take what comes and you run with it.

Winning is fun.
Sure.
But winning is not the point.

Wanting to win is the point.
Not giving up is the point.
Never being satisfied with what you've done is the point.
Never letting up is the point.
Never letting anyone down is the point.

Play to win.
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But lose like
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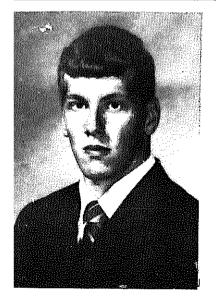
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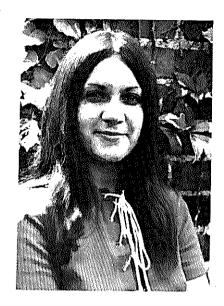


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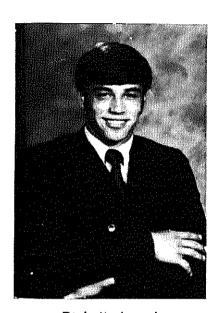


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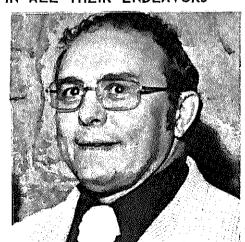


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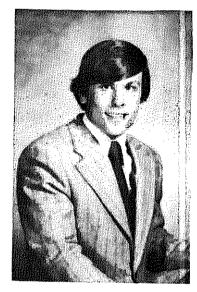
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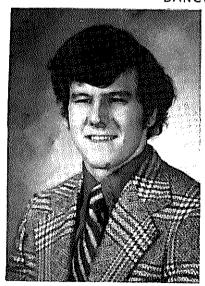


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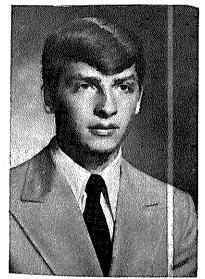
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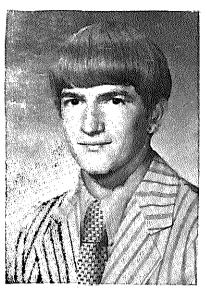
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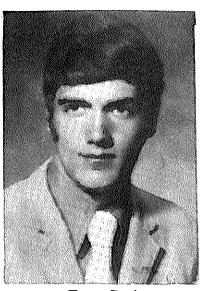
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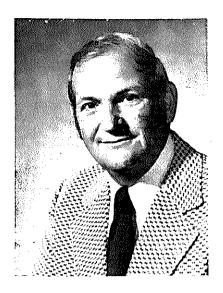
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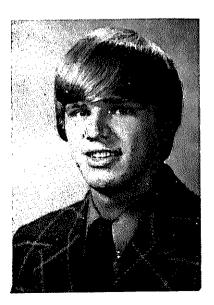
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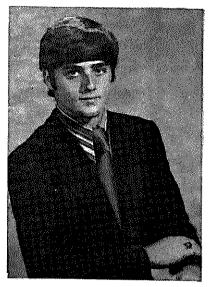


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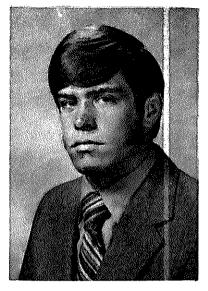
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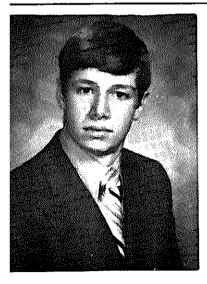
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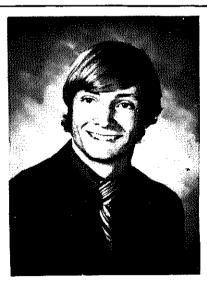
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