

ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME 2016 INDUCTEES

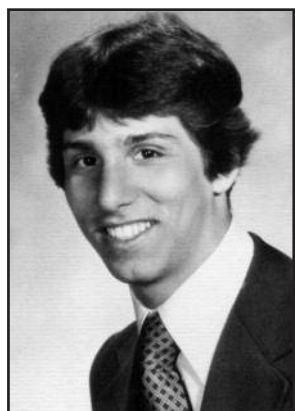


Bobbi Jo Crescenzi – 2002

Bobbi Jo Crescenzi was a dominant four year pitcher for the Lady Gaels softball team during the 1999-2002 seasons who used a mix of off-speed and well-placed pitches to keep hitters off balance and swinging at air on a consistent basis. A four year starter, Bobbi Jo was voted as a 1st Team BCSL National Division pitcher all four years of her impressive high school career. Bobbi Jo's Junior season culminated with her also being awarded 1st Team All Area accolades and 2nd Team All Bergen County honors by the Bergen County Women's Coaches Association. With a stellar record of 19-7, an unhittable earned run average of .081 and a well-deserved appearance in the Bergen County Championship Game, our inductee capped off her unforgettable career by being named 1st Team All Bergen County in her senior year. Known as an unbelievable competitor, Bobbi Jo mowed down hitters despite being undersized by keeping hitters guessing on every pitch.

During the Fall and Winter athletic seasons, Bobbi Jo dedicated her talents to compiling statistics for the football and basketball programs full time for four years. The amount of information, dedication and record-keeping Bobbi Jo provided was an invaluable asset to both programs and contributed to their success over that four year period. By dedicating her off-season time to these other sports, Bobbi Jo exemplified the true dedication and essence of being a St. Mary Gael.

After graduating from St. Mary, Bobbi Jo attended the American School of Business and achieved her license as a property and casualty insurance professional. Currently Bobbi Jo is a Commercial Lines Senior Specialist at Verona Insurance Agency in Little Falls, NJ and has maintained this position since 2003. Bobbi Jo currently lives in Saddle Brook with her husband, Chase, and daughter, Violet, and they are her absolute world. Her hobbies are cooking, reading, doing imaginative and creative activities with her daughter, and spending time with family and friends.



Bob Nunziato – 1978

Bob Nunziato was an accomplished football and track and field star for St. Mary's in the mid-1970's. In football, our inductee was a hard-nosed, quick, agile inside junior linebacker in the "4-4" Notre Dame defense of the 1976 10-0-0 State Championship football team. Although somewhat undersized at that position, Bob was a motivated overachiever who had great vision and a "nose for the ball" at his linebacker position. Bob also served admirably as the back-up fullback in the "wishbone" offense of the celebrated 1976 squad. In his senior season, our inductee moved into the tailback slot of the offense and gained the tough yards with determination and reckless abandon. He also excelled at a new position that season as strong-side linebacker and is remembered as a crushing tackler. In recognition of his superlative football play, Bob received First Team All-League and Third Team All-County as a linebacker in his senior campaign. Our inductee also garnered All-League honors as a Junior.

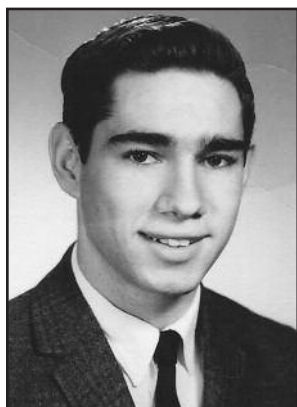
In the spring, Bob performed with great strength and agility as a pole-vaulter. In his junior track and field season, our inductee vaulted to a new school record of 11'6" and received Third Place Group 1 Bergen County and Fourth Place, Parochial B honors with his vault. Bob received a spot on the All-League, First Team for his junior vaulting exploits.

In his senior track and field season, Bob repeated as an II League, First Team pole vaulter and became the Bergen County Group 1 Champion with a jump of 12'. He also ascended to the new school record of 12'6", which to date, has not been surpassed. *(Continued on next page)*

Bob Nunziato – 1978, continued

Following his memorable football and pole vaulting career at St. Mary's, Bob continued his rugged, inspiring play at the linebacker position at Franklin & Marshall University. In his senior season, our inductee was acknowledged as a First Team performer of the ECAC and MAC Conference football squads. He graduated from Franklin & Marshall in 1982.

Following graduation, Bob worked in the wholesale financial markets initially, lived in New York City, Tokyo and London and travelled extensively. Since returning to the USA, our inductee has worked in the bond and bond derivative business in New York City, where he currently resides. Bob has three sons in college presently, and plays golf on weekends at Upper Montclair Country Club.



Charles Yosco – 1966

Charlie Yosco was a ground breaking track star at a time in the 1960's when there were not many runners willing to put up with the pain and conditioning necessary for the mile run. Our inductee started out his athletic career at St. Mary's as a smallish football player, but was counseled by the head football coach, Nick Cutro, to quickly move on to a new sport in which he would not get maimed. From the beginning, Charlie embraced his new athletic endeavor with enthusiasm and discipline, and became one of the finest distance runners in Bergen County.

Our inductee improved his performances in the mile every year at St. Mary's, and never ran slower than 4:48 in 1963, when he placed fourth in the Big 8 Conference Mile event in his freshman season. In dual meet competition that year, Charlie had seven first place finishes. In his sophomore track season, Charlie cut his mile time by 16 seconds to 4:32 in the Big 8 Conference One Mile run and placed sixth in the Bergen County Championship meet. He soared to 12 first place finishes in the mile that year. In 1964 as a junior, Charlie ran cross-country unattached because St. Mary's did not have a cross-country squad, and excelled in many races longer than the mile. Charlie placed first in the Thanksgiving Turkey 4½ mile with a blistering time of 23.05, and likewise placed first in the New Brunswick 2.7 mile against organized track clubs with a sizzling finish of 14.09. During that season, our inductee's performances in the mile continued to improve dramatically, as he placed second in the NJCTC as a non-member against track clubs with a time of 4:34, and first in the New Jersey State Meet Parochial Division with a personal best time of 4:27. Charlie also notched eight first place and one second place finishes in Dual Meet Competition during his junior campaign.

In his senior season, our inductee placed fourth in the prestigious two mile run at the NJSI ASU Development meet with a time of 10:34. He then placed third in the one mile run at the New Jersey State Interscholastic Meet, Parochial Division, where he achieved his personal best time and new school record at that time of 4:26.2. During his senior season, Charlie finished first eight times in Dual Meet races, bringing his high school career ledger to a soaring total of 35 first place finishes. He was also the captain and MVP of the Gaels track team, received three varsity letters in Track and field and played football on the freshmen and Junior varsity football teams despite the admonitions of Coach Cutro.

After his sterling running career at St. Mary's, Charlie attended Hargrave Military Academy in Virginia, where he placed first in the 2 mile run for Virginia Private Schools and placed second in the 2.2 mile race for the Virginia Independent Schools State Cross-Country Championships with a time of 11:34.

He also anchored the Hargrave Cross-Country team which compiled a record of 8-1 against freshmen college teams including Davidson, University of Virginia, Duke, William & Mary, University of North Carolina and Virginia Tech. Charlie also compiled 1st place finishes in the Virginia Private Schools Championship, the Cumberland Valley Invitational Race and the Virginia Military School League.

Charlie attended Fairleigh Dickinson University from 1967 to 1972 on a four year track scholarship and ran both cross-country and track. As a freshman, our inductee was a member of the FDU freshman Cross-Country team which placed third in the IC4A meet in Van Courtland Park. Our inductee was senior captain of the cross-country team, and achieved his career best mile time of 4:18 in spring track. He was awarded nine varsity letters for his track performances at FDU, and graduated with a degree in Business Management in 1972.

After college graduation, Charlie served a twenty-five year career at Binsky & Snyder in Piscataway as a Safety Officer and Field Engineer. He has been married to Connie for 47 years, and has two daughters, Debbie and Sheryl, and four grandchildren, Joseph, Matthew, Ryan and Lilyanna.



2006 Non-Public Group 1 State Championship Football Team

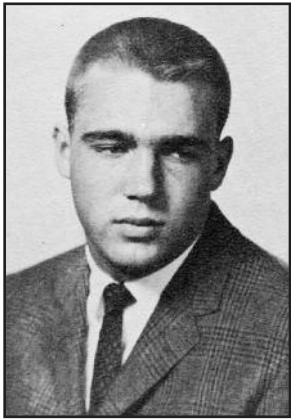
After a 26 year championship drought, the Gaels rose up and became champions again in 2006 upsetting rival Paterson Catholic 20-13 in front of 1,500 fans at William Paterson University. In ending Paterson Catholic's 19 game winning streak, St. Mary captured the Non-Public Group 1 State Championship, its first state championship since 1980. After opening the season with a 13-12 loss to Secaucus, the Gaels reeled off 7 wins in their next 8 games including impressive wins over Weehawken 42-0, Harrison 48-6, Lyndhurst 34-0, and Wood-Ridge 34-0. After a tough loss to Cresskill 3-0, the Gaels bounced back with a convincing win over Becton 35-0 and a playoff victory over St. Joseph West New York 41-12 to set up a rematch in the unforgettable State Championship game versus Paterson Catholic.

With a roster of 33 players the 2006 Gaels finished the season 9-2, winning their last game against Wallington on Thanksgiving Day 42-13. During this remarkable season, St. Mary averaged 34.8 points a game and allowed only 6.7 per game. Five players were named All-County and 12 players were named All-League.

Coach Mike Sheridan said after the State Championship game that "...we play our butts off every year, getting closer and closer...the last step is the hardest...and tonight we got it done." One parent said "the game plan by the coaches was perfect, the kids executed the plan perfectly and it was our night."

The roster included 17 seniors, Louis Saunders, George McCann, Da'mon Merkerson, Ryan Cuccinelli, Pat McGarry, Steve Deliz, Mike Robertson, Joe Regina, Brendon Quinones, Ryan Quinones, Kyle Cedeno, Keith Silva, Damon Whitlock, Matt Goods, Mark Hill, Jay Abarca, and Rene Velez. Juniors included Alex Feliciano, Steve Calero, PJ Olobardi, Wladislaw Cuba and Matthew Roldan and the Sophomores were Anthony Luberto, Vinny Malfetano, Joe Tauriello, Pat Manning, Philip Bigelow, Bobby Buckley, Brian Crocket, Justyn Cruz, Mike Macaluso and Paul Ruddy.

The coaching staff of this memorable team was led by Head Coach Mike Sheridan. Assistants included Mike Coyne, Kurt Vallente, Martin Besterce, Kip Finley, Ray Oliver, Lou Paterson, and Mark Petronio. The team's Director of Football Operations was Bobby Byrne, the team's Academic Advisor was Amod Fields and the Team Chaplain was Fr. Charles Hartling.



Jim Kelly – 1962, Contributor

Over the course of the 21 year history of the St. Mary's Athletic Hall of Fame, Jim Kelly served as the quintessential Contributor to that institution. From the Hall of Fame's inception in 1994, Jim was in the middle of every defining moment of the Hall of Fame. Following his induction in the inaugural year of the Hall of Fame as an athlete for his prodigious performances in football, basketball and baseball, Jim helped to refine the nomination and voting process and spent countless hours at libraries in Hackensack and Newark as the Committee's antiquarian, researching the athletic records of St. Mary's pioneer athletes from the 1920's, 1930's and 1940's. Jim had a particular passion for discovering on microfilm the early iconic successes of the Gael's football and basketball teams, as well as many unforgettable stories about last-minute heroes and quirky athletic characters.

Jim was the Hall of Fame's incisive ethicist who contributed his strong Catholic ethical outlook and good common sense to all of the Hall of Fame Committee's decisions. During the meetings, Jim was thoughtful, creative and persuasive, without being overbearing or domineering. He had an excellent memory and was able to apply the Committee's early decisions to nettlesome problems which arose over the years.

On the financial side, Jim was a prodigious procurer of ads for the Hall of Fame Ad Journal, which was the primary source of profit for the Hall of Fame each year. Our contributor was also a supremely generous financial donor himself and signed up each year as the Banquet's Top Sponsor. As a tag team member of the Banquet Master of Ceremony duo, Jim wowed the Banquet audience each year with his thematic addresses which recounted the heroics of great teams and superlative athletes in the special anniversary year of their accomplishments. In more recent years, Jim enriched the Hall of Fame Banquets with his origination and handling of "Special Recognition" and "Special Achievement" awards to groups of athletes and recognition of St. Mary's State Championship Teams in their anniversary years. Jim's gracious contributions as a Master of Ceremony at our Hall of Fame Banquets will be fondly remembered and cherished. When Jim Kelly realized that the Hall of Fame Committee needed to get the word out more effectively to the St. Mary's community, Jim spearheaded and financed the development of a Hall of Fame Website, which he filled with postings about the results of St. Mary's games and the heroics of individual athletes.

Jim Kelly selflessly contributed in every aspect of the founding, development and evolution of the St. Mary's Hall of Fame throughout its tenure. Jim will be sorely missed but never forgotten, and his contributions will continue to inspire the Hall of Fame community.



Jennifer Raido – 2003

Jennifer Raido was a skilled, powerful competitor who earned 8 varsity letters during her athletic career at St. Mary. Our inductee is best remembered for her dominance on the softball diamond, but she also had a commanding presence on the soccer field and the basketball court.

Jennifer had a passion for softball which was evident every time she stepped between the two white lines. She was a fluid, tenacious infielder who was not afraid to lay out and get her jersey dirty. Our inductee was a virtual hitting machine in the batting order, consistently hitting the ball hard and "to all fields." Her natural talent, indefatigable training, and unlimited determination earned our inductee 2nd Team All-County and 2nd Team All North Jersey honors during her junior year. As a senior, Jennifer soared to new offensive heights by compiling an astounding batting average of .566, notching 47 hits and 36 runs scored. She was selected 2nd Team All-County, 1st Team All North Jersey, 1st Team All North Jersey Parochial, and 3rd Team All-State in recognition of her nonpareil senior season. During her unforgettable high school career, our

inductee contributed mightily to three league championships and propelled her team to the Bergen County Finals in 2001 and the State Sectional Championship in 2003.

In soccer, Jennifer was a fast, energetic, aggressive player who earned 1st Team All-League and Honorable Mention All-County during her senior season.

After her heroics at St. Mary, our inductee attended Rutgers University in Newark where she was a 4 year starter on the softball diamond, playing shortstop and 3rd base. Jennifer was a 3 year captain and holds career school records for hits (164), runs (101), doubles (19), triples (19), and total bases (264.) She finished her college softball career with a prodigious batting average of .347 and slugging percentage of .441. In recognition of her softball accomplishments, Jennifer was named Rutgers-Newark's Female Student Athlete of the Year for 2007-2008 and Rutgers-Newark's 2007 National Girls & Women in Sports Day Woman of the Year. Jennifer's superlative softball achievements led to her induction into the Rutgers-Newark Athletic Hall of Fame in 2013. She graduated from Rutgers-Newark in 2009 with a Bachelor's Degree in criminal justice. *(Continued on next page)*

Jennifer Raido – 2003, continued

After graduating from Rutgers-Newark, Jennifer worked as an Emergency Medical Technician for the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority, Aero Ambulance Service, and the Moonachie First Aid & Rescue Squad. Our inductee currently works for the United States Department of the Interior as a U.S Park Ranger, (Law Enforcement), for the National Park Service assigned to the Chaco Cultural National Historic Park in Nageezi, New Mexico.



Donald Lee – 2006

Donald Lee earned 9 varsity letters during his St. Mary career participating in football, basketball and track. He was named team captain in all 3 sports.

In football, Donald played wide receiver and defensive back and earned 1st Team All-League, 2nd Team All-County and 2nd All-North Jersey honors his senior year. As a wide receiver, Donald was a burner who managed to outrun most defensive backs. As a defensive back, our inductee was especially proficient at staying with the receiver and “playing the ball” in the air. Donald’s best game was a 180 yard performance on offense with touchdown receptions of 80 and 50 yards and a virtuoso defensive effort which produced an interception, a sack of the quarterback and seven tackles. This particular game was a testament to our inductee’s versatility and earned him the Thomas Holden Most Valuable Player Award for his all-around performance in the Gaels’ 46-0 trouncing of Lyndhurst. Donald’s other signature

game was a four touchdown (37,20,19 and 7 yard receptions) showcase in a 32-0 shutout of North Arlington.

In track and field, Donald was a rising star and champion at the County and State levels. Our inductee was an excellent sprinter at the 100 meter distance despite being a slow starter, but he seldom lost a 200 meter sprint because of his long legs and great stamina. As a junior, Donald was the Non-Public B State Champion in the 200 meters with a time of 22.99 and finished second in the 100 meters race. In the NJ State Group 1 competition our inductee reprised his effort at the State Championship race by finishing first in the 200 and second in the 100. He was Bergen County Scholastic League (BCSL) National Division champion in the 100 meters and 2nd in the 200. Donald placed 5th in the Bergen County Meet of Champions in the 200 and 3rd in the NJ State Meet of Champions in the 200. Our Inductee recalls that the Meet of Champions was the most competitive race he ever ran in, and he was introduced to a whole new stream of “trash talk” at that race. In recognition of his outstanding performance as a junior, Donald was named to the All-North Jersey, 1st team in the 200 meters race.

During Donald’s senior track and field season he became the first St. Mary sprinter to win the Bergen County Meet of Champions. In that race, he finished first in the 200 meters and added a second place in the 100 meters. He was the BCSL National Division champion in the 200 and Triple Jump, and 2nd in the 100 and High Jump. Donald had a spectacular, unforgettable experience in the Non-Public B State Championship Meet, where he repeated as winner of the 200 meters with a time of 22.4 and also won the 100 meters with a time of 11.19. For good measure, our inductee also finished 3rd in the Triple Jump and 4th in the High Jump in the State Championship Meet. In the NJ State Group 1 Meet Donald completed his dream track season by again winning the 200 meter and 100 meter races, and finishing 2nd in the triple jump and 5th in the high jump.

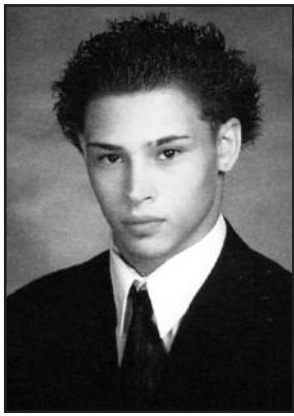
Donald was the senior captain of the Gaels’ hardcourt squad in his senior year, and is remembered as a proficient scorer, strong rebounder and tireless defender.

After his spectacular athletic career at St. Mary, Donald attended Stony Brook University on a football scholarship and performed very well as a wide receiver. He resides in Clifton with his partner, Amanda, and their 4 year old daughter, Rachel, and currently manages Medlink, a medical transportation company located in Elmwood Park, NJ.

Congratulations to the 1976 Team!

“I Love You Guys”

COACH CORRADO



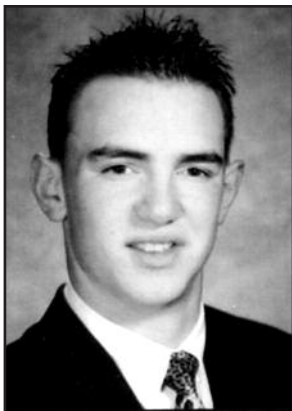
David Greenwald – 2006

David Greenwald was the greatest, most celebrated wrestler in the history of our school. During his high school career at St. Mary's from 2002 to 2006, our inductee compiled a glittering record of 141 wins and 13 losses, second most in Bergen County history, and competed at the highest levels of the New Jersey State wrestling competition. David mastered his opponents with his strength, quickness, ingenuity and stamina, while competing at the weight levels of 112, 119 and 135 during his high school career. At the team level, our inductee engineered the most "pins" of opponents each year of his wrestling career. David's signature wrestling move was the "cradle," which involves grabbing the neck of his opponent with one arm, and wrapping the elbow of the other arm behind the knee of the opponent. The wrestler then locks both hands together.

Our inductee's resume of achievements is unmatched in school history. At the County level, David made the All-County team four straight years, three times a first teamer. He twice won the Bergen County championship and was recognized as Bergen County Athlete of the Week in March, 2005 in his junior year. Our inductee grappled his way four times to the District championship and four times to the prestigious Regional championship, and was celebrated as the "most outstanding wrestler" twice at the Regional level. In the State Competition, David ascended to unprecedented levels of excellence, with a fourth place finish as a freshman, fifth place finish as a sophomore and second place finishes in both his junior and senior seasons. Our inductee achieved statewide and national recognition as a high school wrestler, and placed third as a junior and fifth as a senior in the high school national competition. David will always be remembered as the linchpin of St. Mary's three year tenure as Parochial B State Champions from 2004 to 2006.

Following his illustrious wrestling career at St. Mary's, our inductee wrestled at Iowa Central Community College in Fort Dodge, Iowa, where he garnered second place in the Junior College National Competition. After completing his Associates Degree in Criminal Justice at ICCC, David attended Rutgers University, where he wrestled with distinction and graduated with a Bachelor's degree in criminal justice and sociology in 2011.

David met his better half, Martha, in Iowa and they were married in 2013. Their first son, Charlie, arrived in 2014, and they await the arrival of their second son very soon. Our inductee works as the assistant service manager at Fullerton Ford, and aspires to be the best husband and best father in the world. In his spare time, David is an accomplished woodworker and avid fan of the New York Giants.



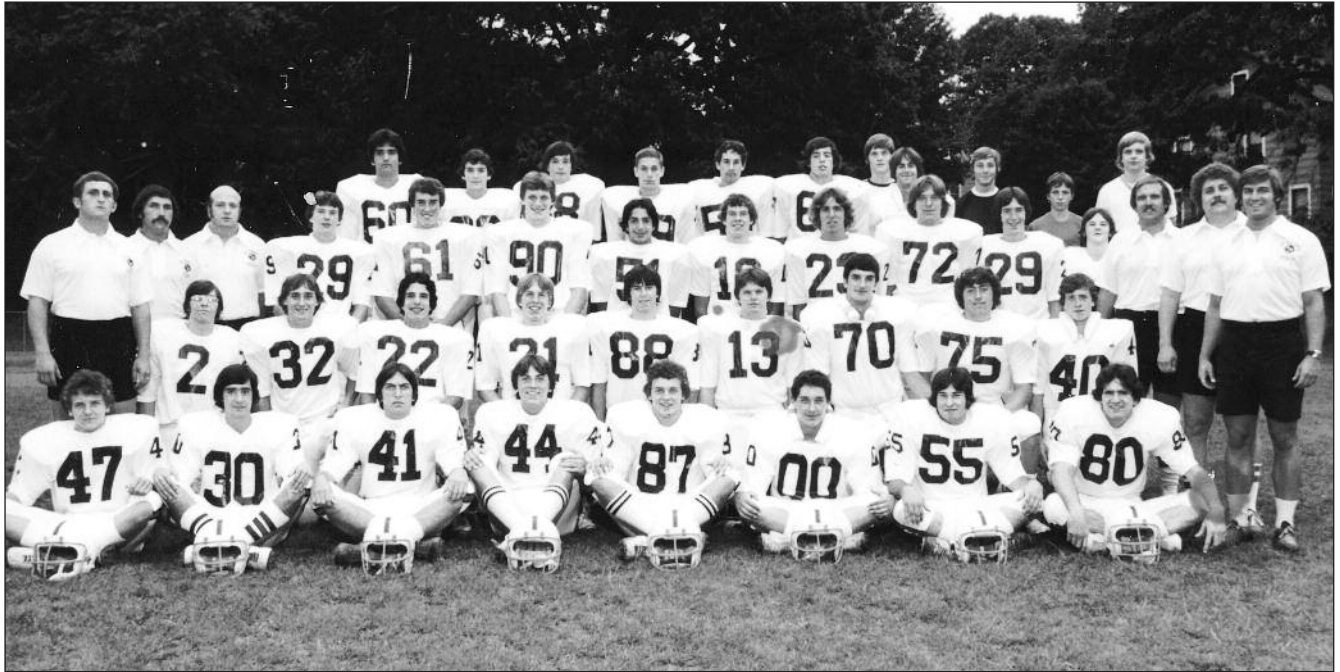
Edward Dolan – 2004

Ed Dolan was a versatile three sport athlete in the early 2000s who was awarded ten varsity letters during his athlete career at Saint Mary. In football he received three letters and led the Gaels at quarterback and safety. In wrestling, Dolan was a four-year starter who demonstrated strength and agility at the middle weight classes. As a three-year starter in baseball he displayed his quickness in the middle infield as well as the corners. Ed was honored with the Bob Blum Award in his senior year in recognition for his strong work ethic and dedication as the top student-athlete in his class.

While recognized as a stand-out in all three sports, Ed dominated as a wrestler and enjoyed great success as early as his freshman year. He wrestled that year as a 135 pounder and compiled a 14-6 record. In his sophomore season, he amassed another 22 wins, and propelled his team to a State Sectional Championship. Named Captain in his junior year, Ed embraced the challenge and led his team to another State Sectional Championship, tallying 30 wins and only 4 losses that year. Our inductee returned with a vengeance as a senior Captain and led by example, grappling for 32 wins and only three losses. In that remarkable season, Ed reveled in the ultimate glory of leading his squad to an overall State Championship. When he finally hung up his singlet, our inductee had compiled a glittering record of 98-19, and was heralded as a three-time 1st team All-League selection, a three-time All North Jersey Parochial selection and a recipient of All-County honors. Ed's singular personal achievement was wrestling to two District Championships.

In football, Ed excelled on both sides of the pigskin as a Quarterback and Safety. In his senior year, Ed was elected Captain for his unique leadership qualities, was selected an All-League defensive back and earned All-County honors. On the diamond, Ed showed his versatility as an infielder, starting at 2nd base, shortstop and 3rd base in three seasons. Our inductee was a talented and inspiring contributor to his team's diamond State Sectional Title in 2003. Ed batted above .330 in multiple seasons, and was a two-time All-League selection.

Ed continued his baseball career at Dominican College in New York, where he majored in Biology. Our inductee currently teaches Biology at Cliffside Park High School. Ed also spent some time working at a residential treatment center for students with emotional and social difficulties, and has been actively involved as a coach in the travel baseball circuit for the past seven years.



SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD

1976 Parochial B State Championship Football Team

The perfect season. State Parochial "B" State Champions, record 10-0-0. Tri-County League Champions, record 7-0. Recipients of the Rutgers Trophy as the #1 Team in Bergen County for Groups I and II. Avenged prior year loss to Pope John in state finals with a 49-14 victory to win the championship and end Pope John's state record 43 game unbeaten streak.

With a roster of only 35 players, the 1976 Football Team won 10 games, unprecedented in school history. They averaged 34.5 points a game while allowing only 5.2. Fourteen players earned All League honors, five players earned All County honors and four players earned All State honors. Eleven players went on to play college football. The head coach, Bruce Bartlett was named Coach of the Year by two newspapers, the Bergen Record and the Herald News.

The 1976 team was first football team inducted into the Hall of Fame in 1996. To date, 11 players, 3 coaches, the team trainer and the team doctor have been inducted into the Hall of Fame.

The roster included co-captain Mike Sheridan, co-captain A.J. Tulp, Dave Slater, Jerry Nealon, Frank Muller, Dan McNeilly, Mark Giordano, Jim Mulcahy, Ron Wilke, Vincent Davis, John Flynn, Bill Furrer, Gregg McMaster, Joe O'Connor, Mark Chiaviello, Mike Formisano, Tom Brown, Leo Connolly, Sean Moran, Dan Boland, Tim Regan, Bob Nunziato, Jim Keenen, Tom Tulp, Bob Giordano, Bob LeMaire, Mario Monti, Steve Serrao, Joe Calabrese, Doug Urisko, Don Cronrath, Kenn Frain, Bob Jones, and Pete Ryan.

The coaching staff was led by Bruce Bartlett and his assistants, Frank Corrado, Rich O'Connor, Barry Kelner, Rich Vuyosevich, Ed Mabel, Mike Grambowiec. Phil "Doc" Miller was the team trainer, Dr Michael Loreti, the team physician, and Mike Tormey, Mike Delevante, Bill Krowe and Dennis Fitzsimons were team managers.