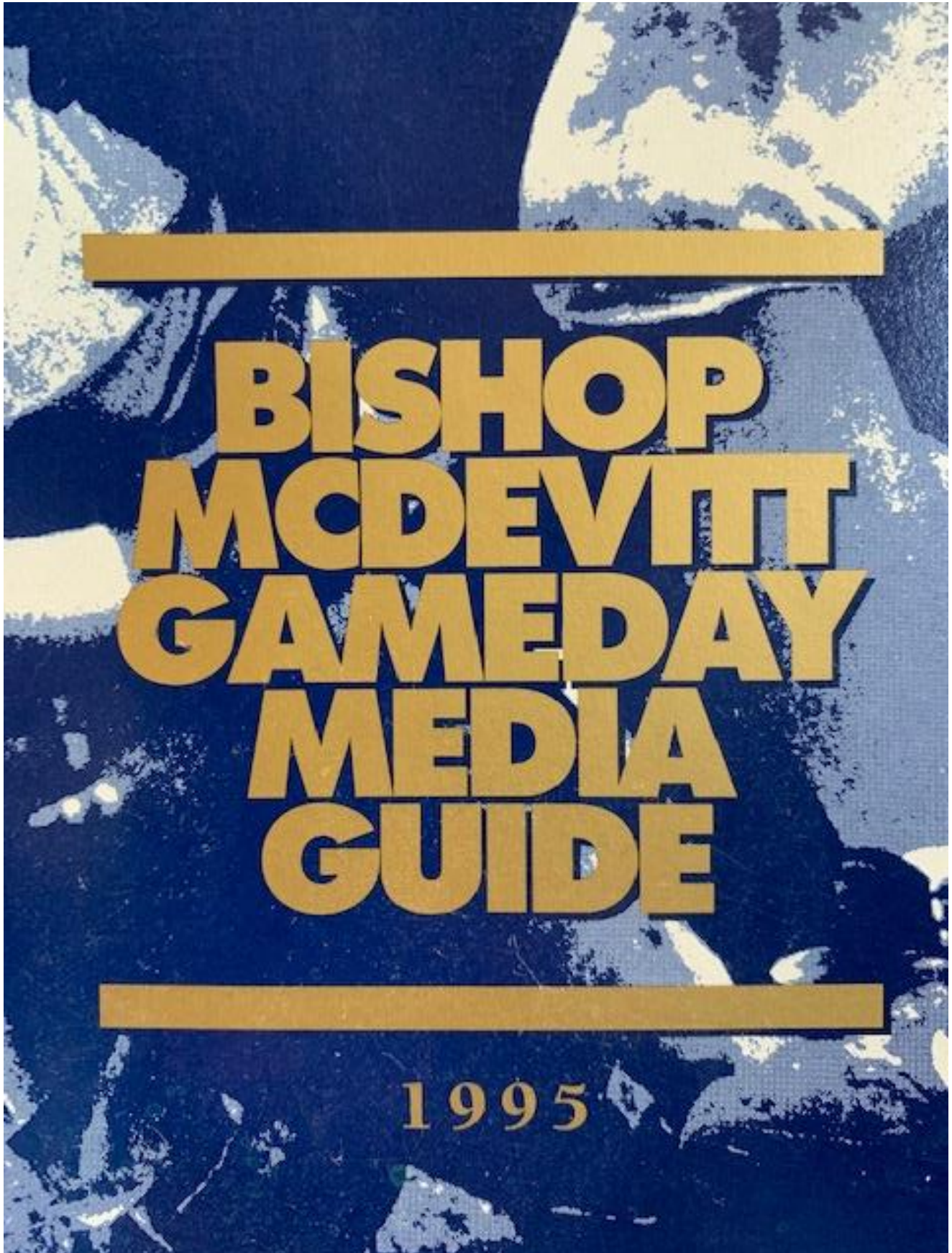


The 1995 State Championship Team "25 years later" podcast by Eric Thomas and Rob Pugliese. Click [here](#)



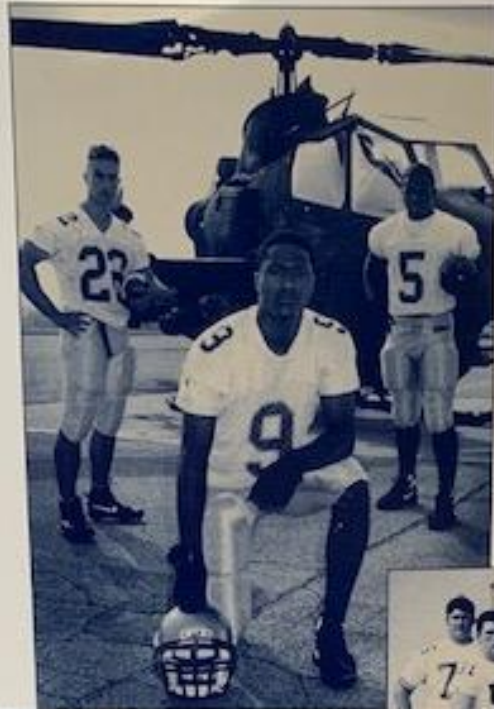
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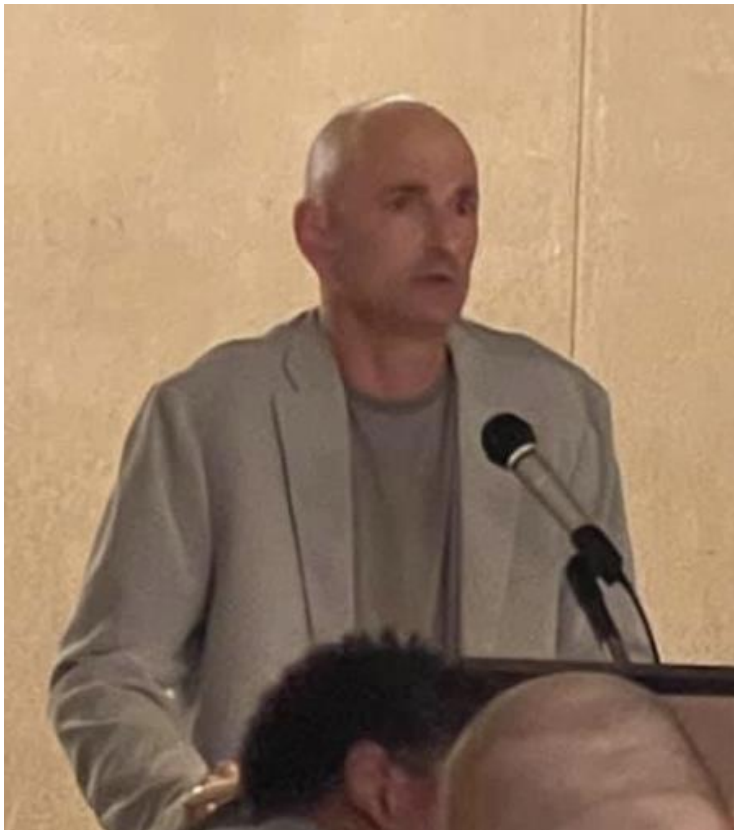
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**FOUR CHAPMAN, HEAD COACH / Offensive Coordinator / QB**

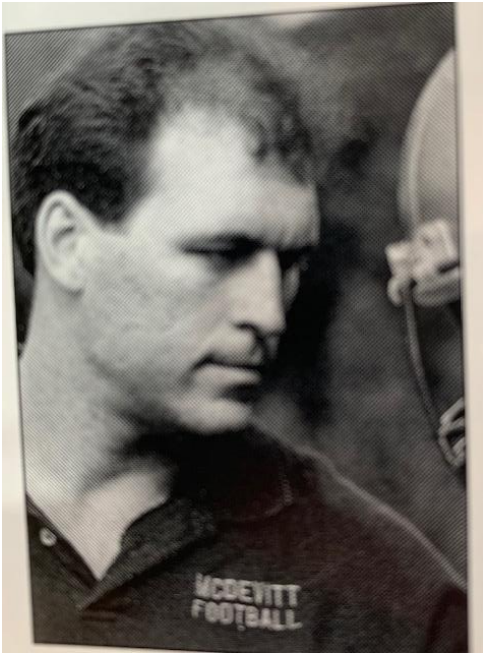


Coach Chapman still lives in the Harrisburg area. He is teaching at Central Dauphin and assists their Athletic Director.

His favorite memory was the camaraderie of all those in the football program while striving toward the goal of winning championships.



## **BRIAN BULLOCK, Offensive / Defensive Lines**



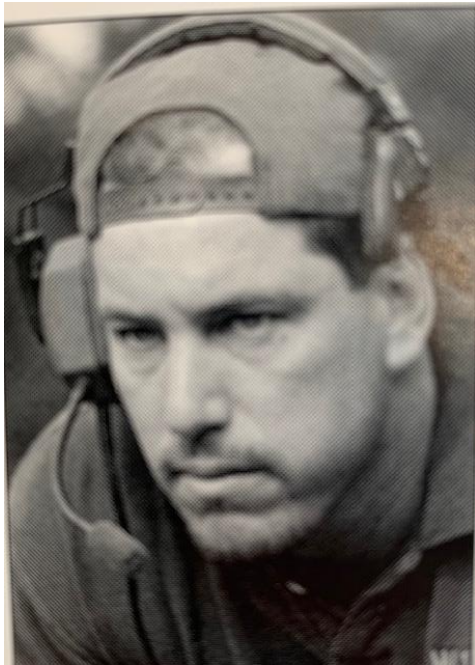
Coach "Bull" lives in the Harrisburg area with his wife, Judy (Wrabel) and dogs Bailey and Ellie. He is a teacher at Cumberland Valley, running their FBLA Club and Mock Trial team.

His favorite memory is the Squat Room and The ROPE.





## **SCOTT FELDMAN, Defensive Coordinator / WR / LB**



Coach Fel is retired from teaching and coaching and lives in Downingtown PA. His daughter, Ashlee, just got married. She is expecting so he will be a grandpa soon!! She's the first female to have her own morning radio show in Boston. Bubba lives in Jersey City and works for Stryker. Fel is playing a lot of golf, walks his dog and keeps focused on staying hydrated. His favorite McD football memory was "definitely the Harrisburg game! Such a backyard fistfight that was so physical with everything on the line and every play important! Good stuff."



## **MIKE WHITEHEAD, RB / DB**



Coach Whitehead currently lives in Mechanicsburg, PA with his wife, Jen, and children Taylor (16) and Braden (14). He is currently a math teacher at Cumberland Valley High School and coaching football at Shippensburg University.

His favorite memory is the state championship game.



## RICK PIERCE, TE / DE



Coach Pierce lives in Mechanicsburg and is married with three boys and one football player, playing for Cumberland Valley Youth. He is an administrator and consultant for the trial courts in Pennsylvania. He is Vice President of the National Association for Court Management, a professional organization of trial court administrators from all over the world. He is coaching with Joe Headen (McD grad) at Susquehanna.

His least favorite memory was "Coach Whitehead telling me in the parking lot at the



school that I couldn't start my defensive ends right before the Eastern Final against Lansdale Catholic."

His favorite memory was "looking into the eyes of my

guys (defensive ends) during our on-field pregame huddle every week and knew we were going to win. Coach Fel told me we would only go as far as our defensive ends could take us. This statement means the teams we had to stop and beat defensively (Cumberland Valley, Harrisburg, and



eventually Cocalico) and to do that our ends would need to play very well. I don't know if I put as much emphasis on that statement, but Khalil Nash, LJ, Steve Taylor, and certainly the Painter brothers did just that, shut down our opponent and terrified the opposing quarterback with their pass rush. Beating some of the best teams in the Commonwealth in '95 while running the table was the art of perfection. I remain so proud of those young men, who are no longer young J, and what they achieved. They



learned how to play the game from their peers who preceded them and served as role models for the success that came after in '96 and '97. (It made a positive impact for future teams in '96 and '97 that if we didn't suffer such significant injuries in both post seasons, we would have won three titles in a row. )The '95 TEAM, remains the greatest TEAM in McD history and arguably one of the finest football teams to play in South Central PA." Also, "I did enjoy our coach meetings at Coach Chap's townhouse. True madness and great fun, especially following the win over Harrisburg and Coach Harold Gaffney singing 'Hound Dog', he said."

## **RON ROSE, Special Teams**

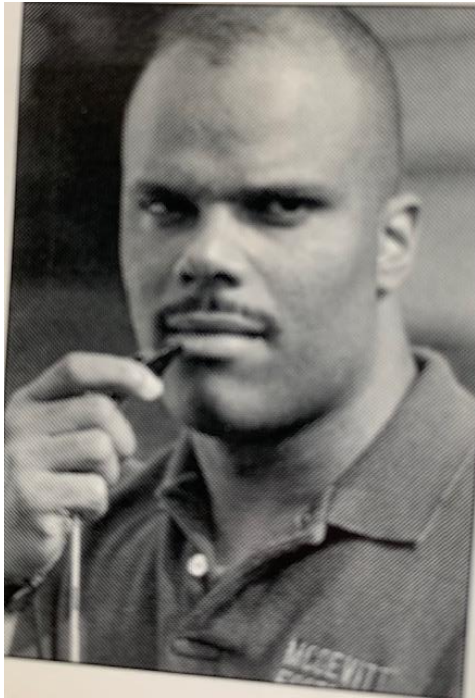


Coach Rose is still living in the Harrisburg area with his wife and is part of the current McDevitt staff.

He is enjoying retirement and “living the dream”.

Coach Rose still gets “chills” thinking about the win in Altoona.

## Kevin Lawrence, JV Head Coach



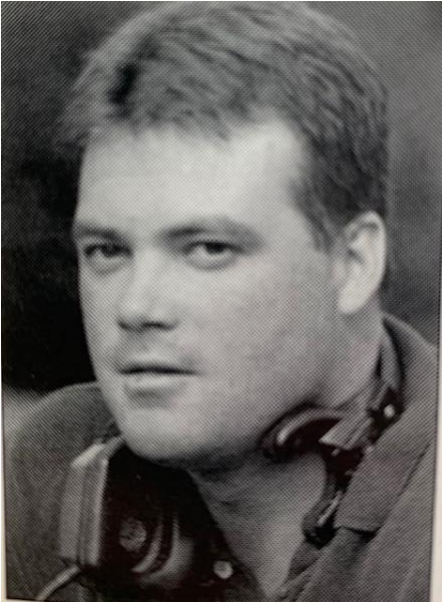
Coach Zoom currently lives in Hampton, VA. He has three children, Kevin (deceased), Ashley (30), and Christopher (29). He also has five grandchildren: Jalen, Cameron, Kaiden, Crystal and Mckenzi. He is a recruiter with Sentara College of Health Sciences in Chesapeake, VA.

His favorite memory is "THE WHOLE THING!".

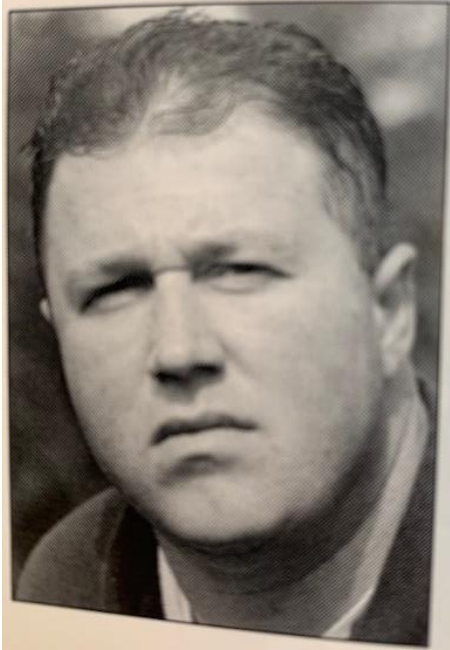
Kevin has a nonprofit called "we believe in your child too"  
[www.webelieveinyourchild.org](http://www.webelieveinyourchild.org)



**Doug Erney, Assistant Coach**



## Rick Perlick, Assistant Coach

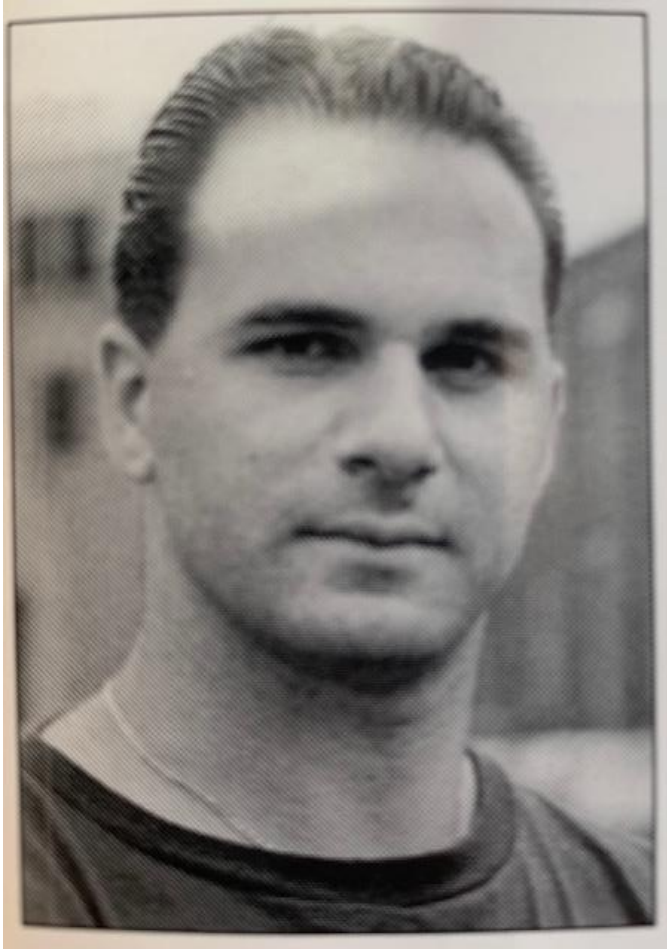


Coach Per lives in Harrisburg, PA. His oldest son Cole (23) is a driver for UPS and his youngest son Grant (16) is a junior at Cedar Cliff high school. Rick is retired from sales.

His favorite memory is the 1995 win against Harrisburg and finishing the regular season undefeated.

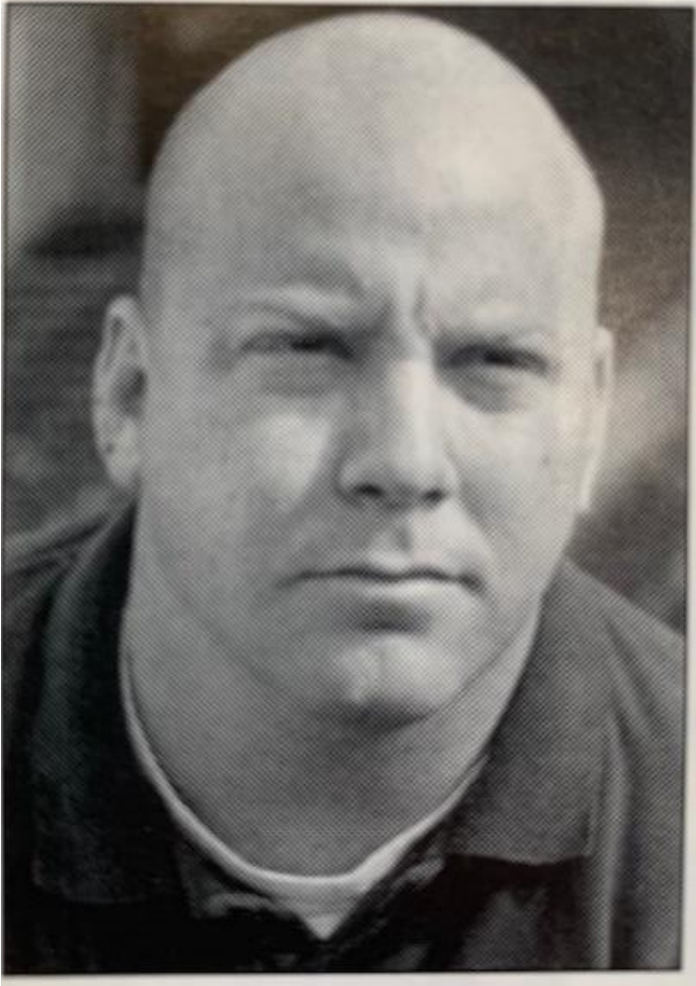
Rick is proud of losing 160lbs since September 2020 and is committed to coaching others on a health program to help them live a healthier, longer life.

**Jim Bruno, Director of Athletics**





**Gregg Scheibley, Administrative Assistant**



**CRAIG SHERRICK, Head Athletic Trainer**



## DEACON JOE WRABEL, Team Chaplain



Sadly, Deacon Wrabel recently passed away. He was loved by many and will always have a special place in the storied history of McDevitt Football.

*"There are two types of football players. Those who play for Bishop McDevitt and those who wished they did!"* - Deacon Wrabel





## HAROLD GAFFNEY, #1 COACH



Harold could teach about unconditional love without consideration of physical appearance, education, color of skin, or age. Coach Gaff was associated with football programs at the former John Harris High School, Harrisburg High and Bishop McDevitt High School since 1964. Sadly, he passed away in 2010.

From Harrisburg Patriot News, April 2010:

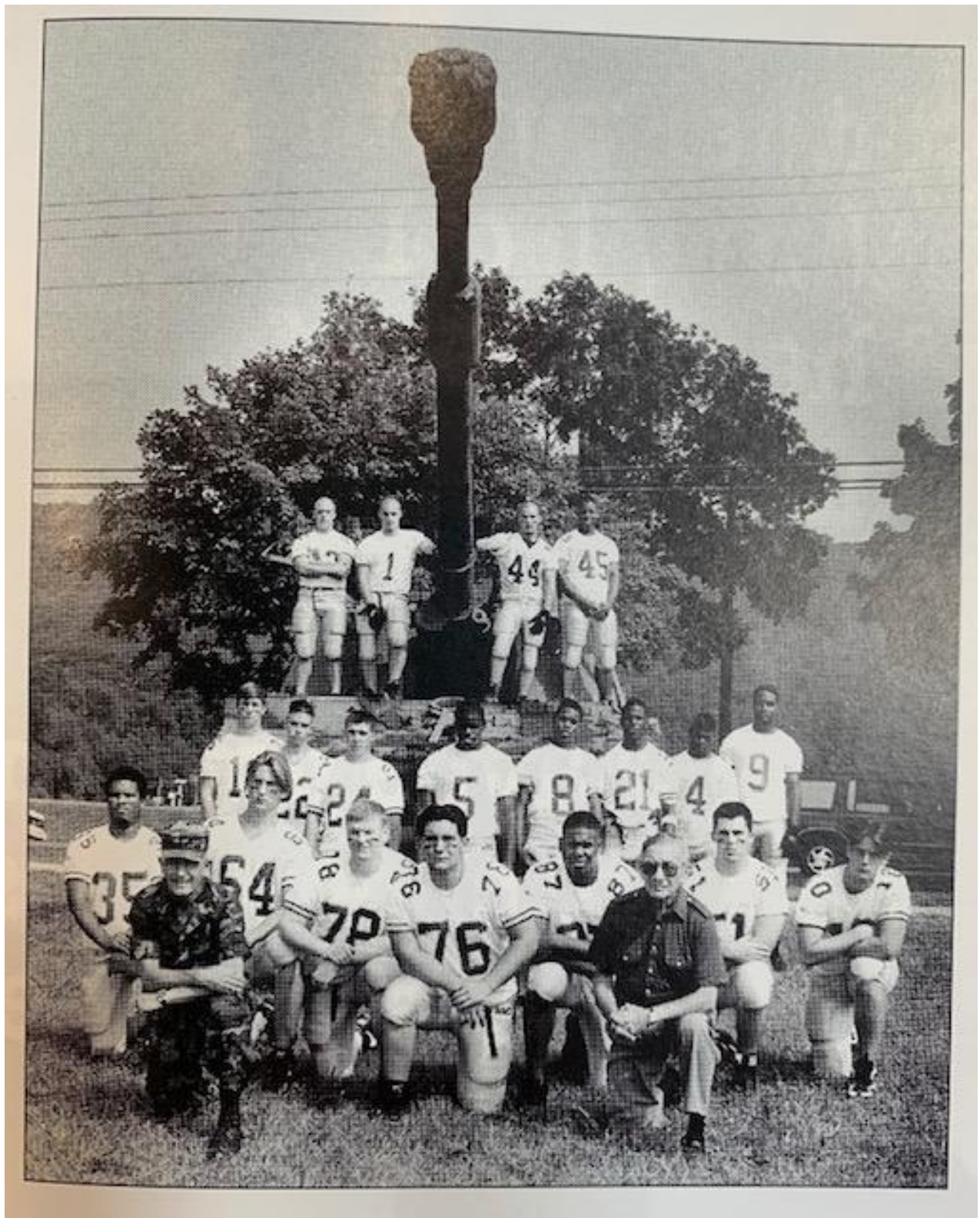
*"Nine months later, in September 1995, the McDevitt coaches drove up Market Street to the school at 8:30 a.m. for the team's season opener against Middletown, to begin two hours later. Not a word has passed between Gaffney and anyone on the staff in all that time.*

*"There he is on the steps to the school, bag in hand," said Chapman. "He'd taken the bus all the way from his home. And he's ready to go."*

*Commanded a delighted Chapman in theatrical flourish: "Zoomer, suit him up!"*

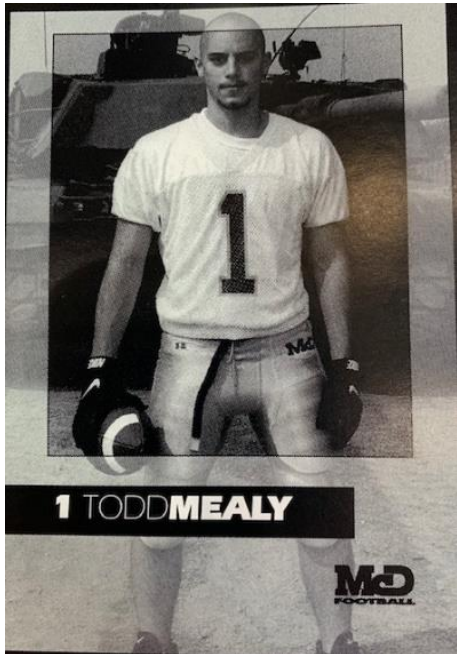
*So, began a second golden age of high school football in Harold Gaffney's life – the bouncy ride toward McDevitt's 1995 PIAA state title, navigated by Chapman's staff of barely-adults."*







## TODD MEALY #1



Todd is married to Dr. Melissa Mealy, an elementary school principal. They have two children, Carter (7) and Adeline (4). Todd obtained his Ph.D. with distinction from Penn State University in 2018. He is Founder and Executive Director of the educational research firm, the Equity Institute for Race Conscious Pedagogy. He has been a teacher in public schools for over 20 years and an adjunct professor in the History Department at Dickinson College.

Dr. Mealy retired as a football coach after 22 years including head coaching tenures at Penn Manor, where he is the winningest coach in the school's history, and Lancaster Catholic, where he won two Lancaster-Lebanon League championships also being named coach of the year three times.

He is the author of 7 books on education, civil rights and sports history



with two more books scheduled for publication in the near future.

## BRIAN MANNI #2

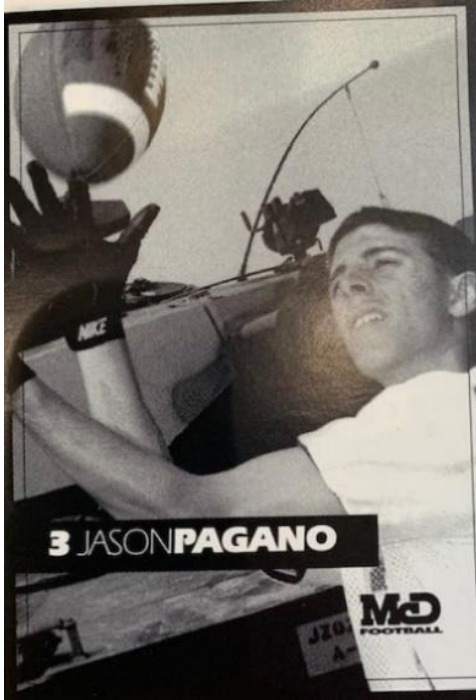


Brian currently lives in Pittsburgh PA where he runs his business, Capriotti's Sandwich Shop in Oakland.

He has a son, Luca Franco, who recently turned 9.



## JASON PAGANO #3



Jason currently lives in Hummelstown, PA with his wife Nicole and son Coleson. He is working for Comcast Business as a Senior Recruiter for their Northeast operations.

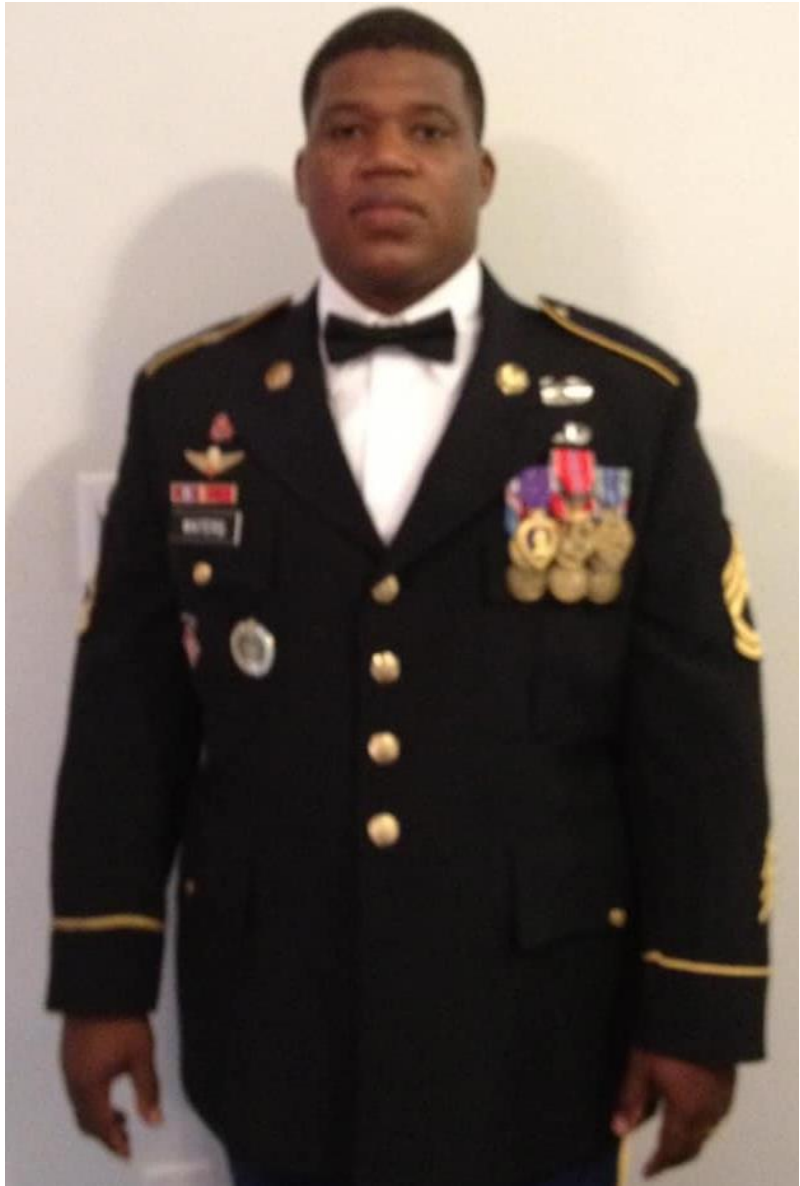
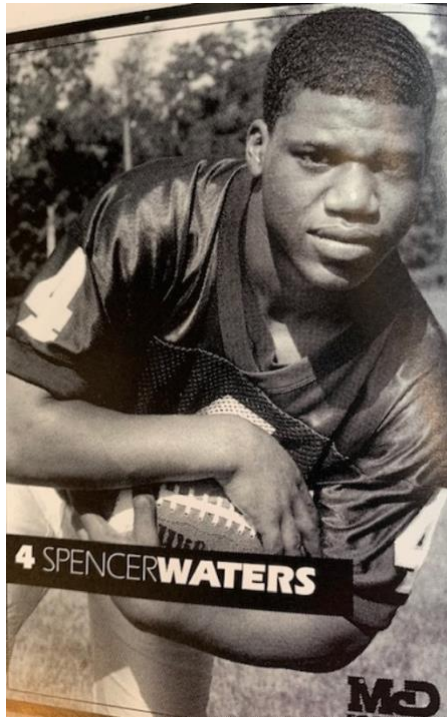
Pagz favorite memory is celebrating the state championship in Altoona and winning 3 District Titles in a row.

He wanted to promote Doug Verbos and McDevitt Football Charity Golf Tournament.





## SPENCER WATERS #4

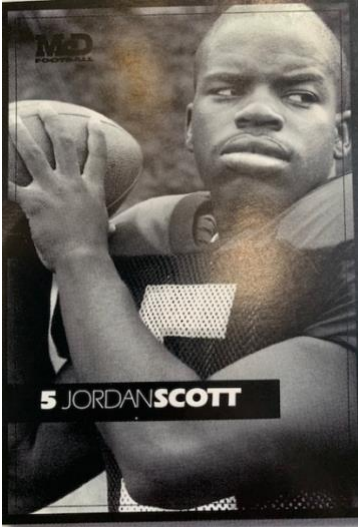


Spencer is retired from the US Army after 22 years. He is living in Waynesville, MO with his wife, Nicole. They have five children: Na'Tia, Nala, Spencer- Nicole, Sierra and Sapree. He also has 3 grandchildren Nycia, Khloe and Niarri.

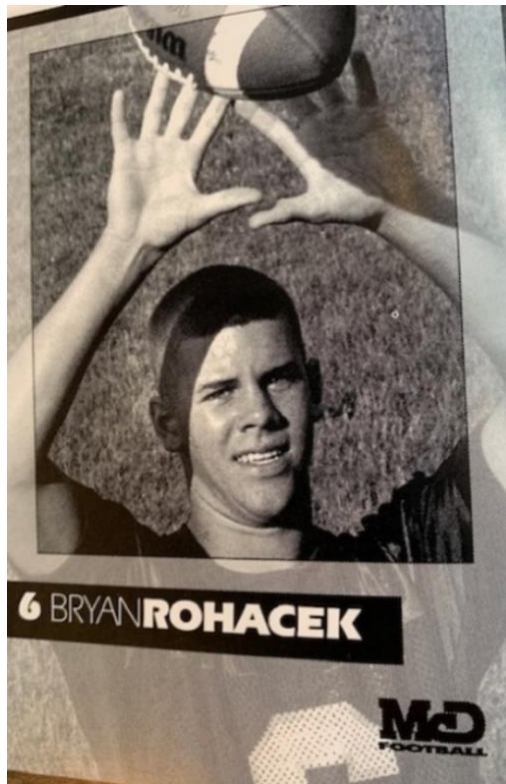
He is currently a Department of Defense Civilian Instructor at the US Army Engineering School at Ft. Leonard, Missouri and is in the process of starting a trucking business.

Spence's favorite memory is walking down Market Street after beating Harrisburg in consecutive years.

**JORDAN SCOT #5**



## BRYAN ROHACEK #6

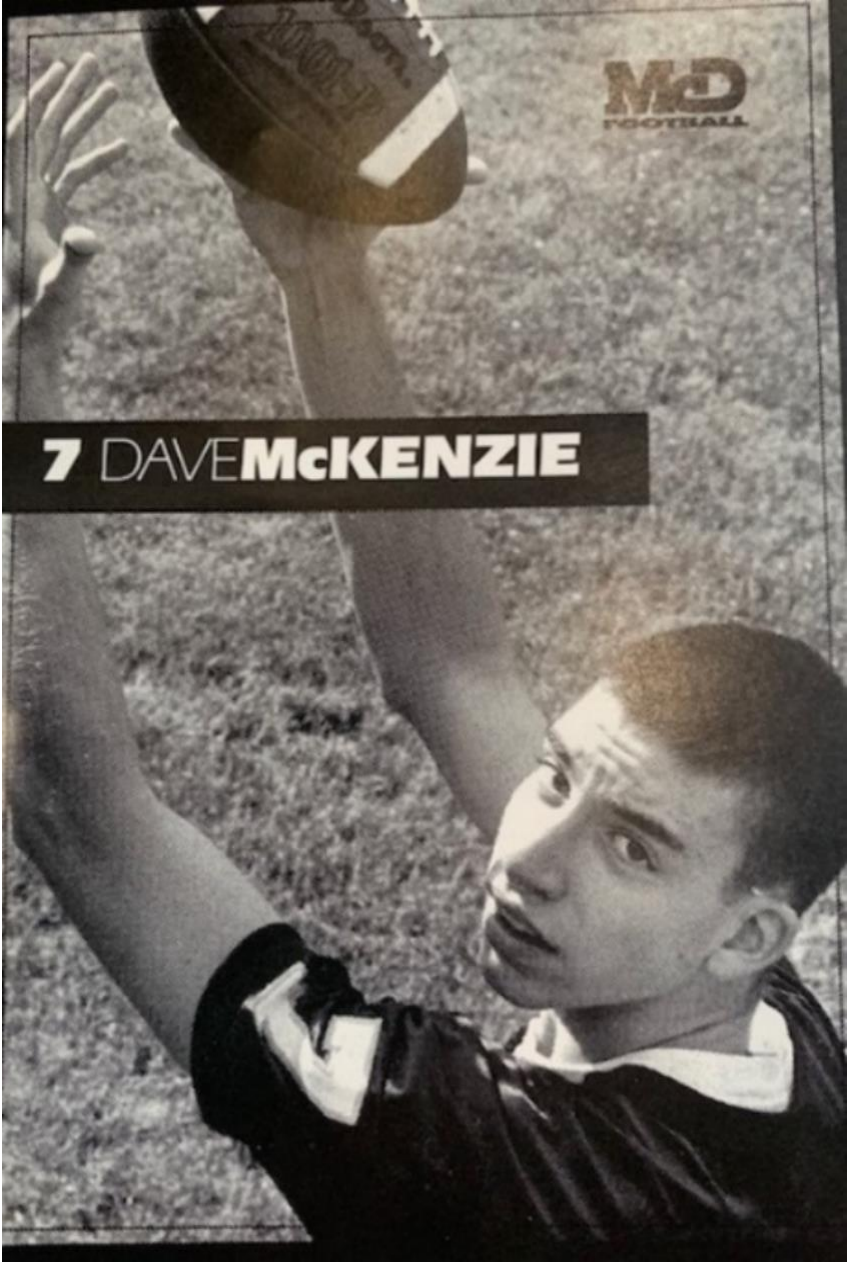


Bryan lives in Harrisburg with his wife Erin (McD '98) with children Bryce (7) and Finley (3). He works for TEKSystems which is an IT Staffing account manager role.

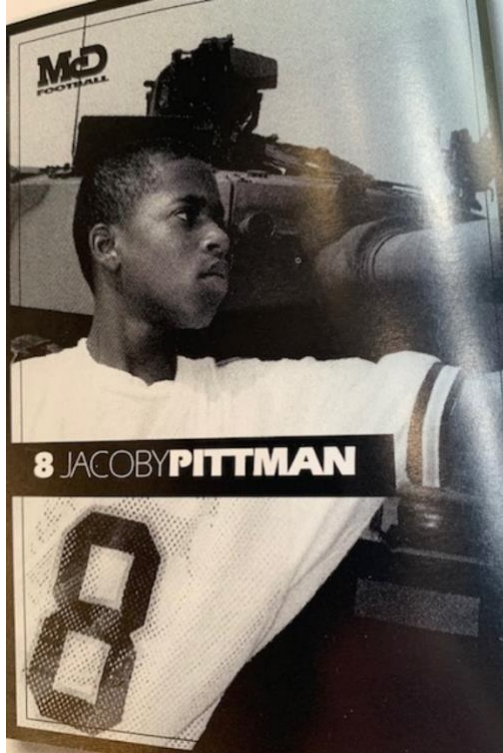
Sac has a lot of great McD memories, but recalls one, "I'd have to say 'the catch' against Harrisburg our senior year was my favorite memory...still can't believe I caught that ball!!"



**DAVE MCKENZIE #7**



## JACOBY PITTMAN #8



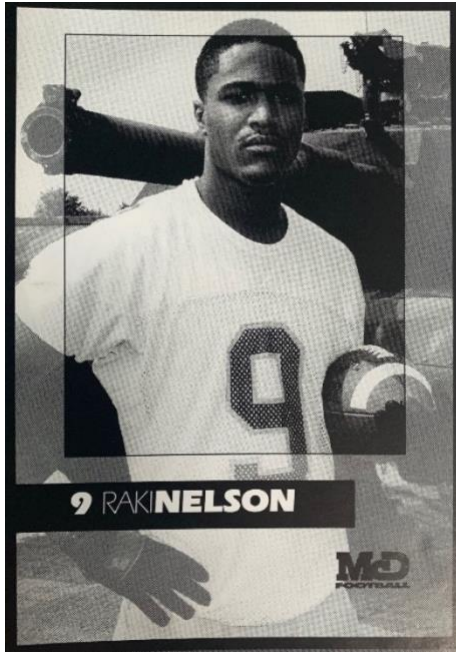
Jacoby is living in the Harrisburg area. He has a son, Major, and three daughters, Aubrey, Selebrity, and Jada.

His favorite memory was his interception against Harrisburg in '95 to seal the game.





## RAKI NELSON #9



Raki is proud father of Kari James, aka "KJ", aka "FerrariKari" (9) and resides in Harrisburg.

Raki is the Founder of Skills Development Academy and PA Chainmovers

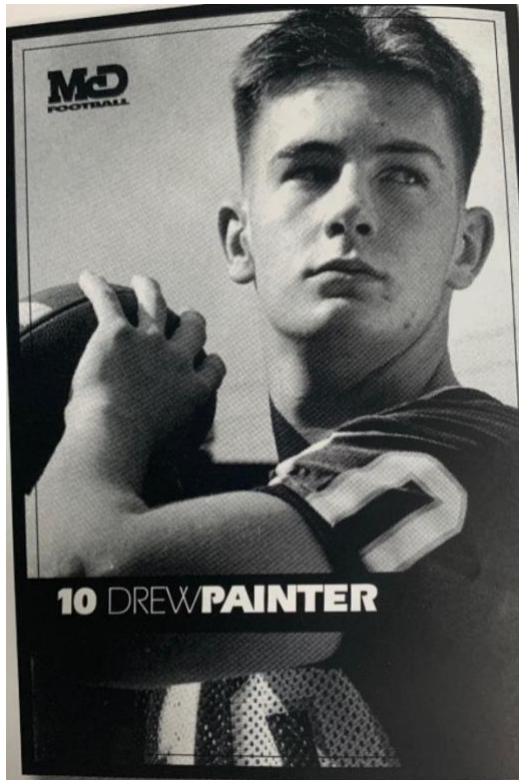
Football traveling team. He provides wide receiver training and mentorship to youth. Raki is a board member of the Mr. PA Football and owner of Ebon Agora, an upstart e-commerce business. He is a dedicated worker a Dirty Dog Hauling, a family-owned business. He is also part of the UPS Management Team in Harrisburg.

His favorite memory is his 108-yard interception during his junior year and the 1995 championship game that led to an undefeated season.





## DREW PAINTER #10



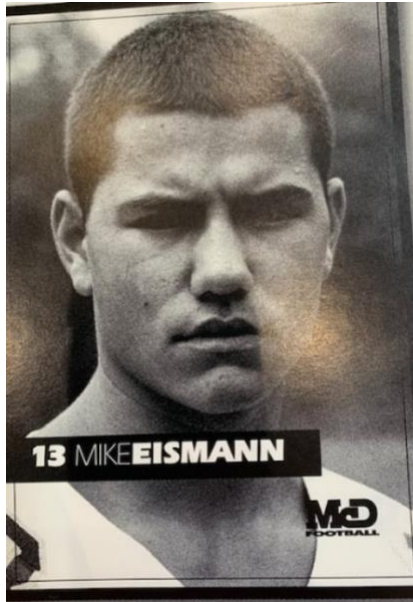
Drew currently lives in Harrisburg with his wife Kelly and son, Landon. He is a Territory Sales Manager for Apex Warehouse Automation.

His favorite memory was taking the championship trophy up in the stands after winning the state title and seeing so many McD alumni and fans as well as the Lower Dauphin fan base cheering us on. "It was a great feeling knowing we had the support of not just our classmates but the entire local community."

Drew is also a coach and on the board of the Linglestown Baseball Association where he coached his son's team to their 5th consecutive league championship.



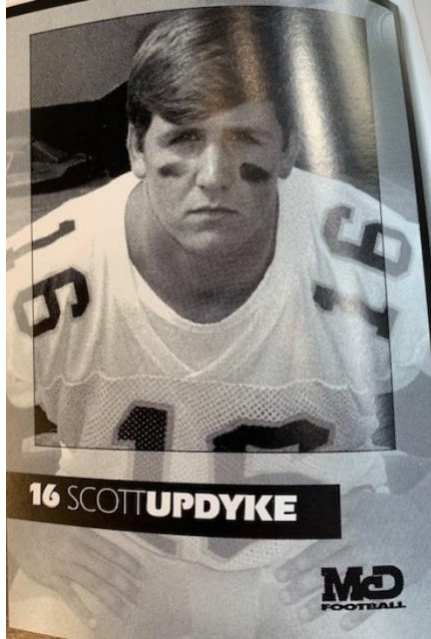
## MIKE EISMAN #13



Eis lives in the Harrisburg area with his wife, Michalyn. They have six children, Emily (22), Ryleigh (16), Andrew (15), Alexa (13), Jaxon (9), Michayla (2). One of their children graduated from McDevitt and two others are currently attending McDevitt. Mike is currently an independent sales contractor.



## SCOTT UPDIKE #16

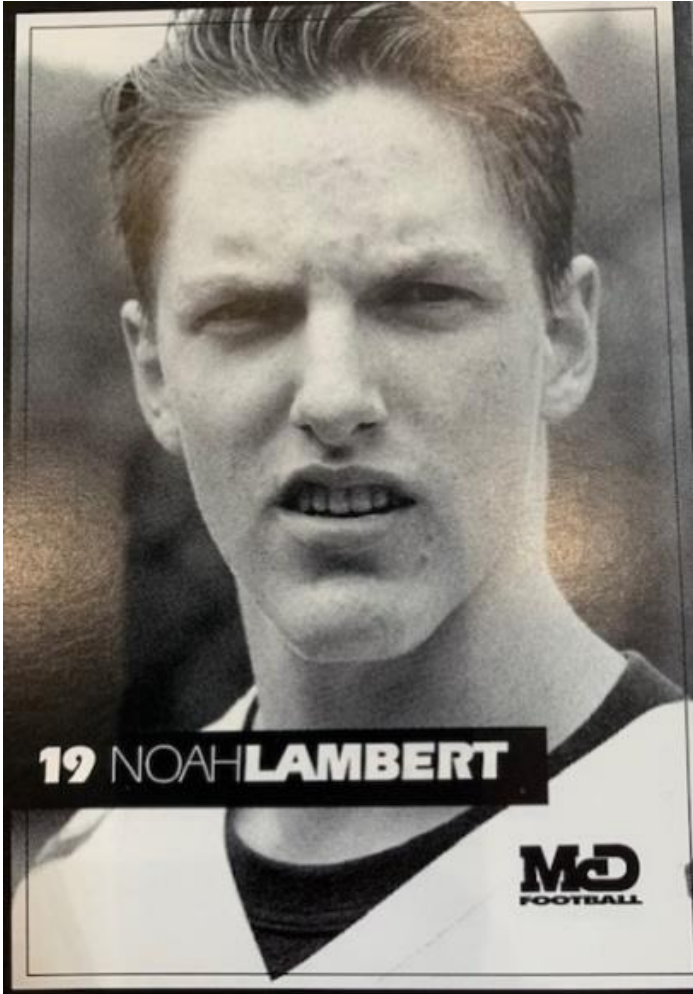


Scott is currently in Indian Land, SC (just outside of Charlotte) with his wife Eve and children Brayden (16) and Aubrey (11). He is the Director of Capital Projects for Midrex Technologies which is a technology and equipment supplier for environmentally friendly metallic iron products.

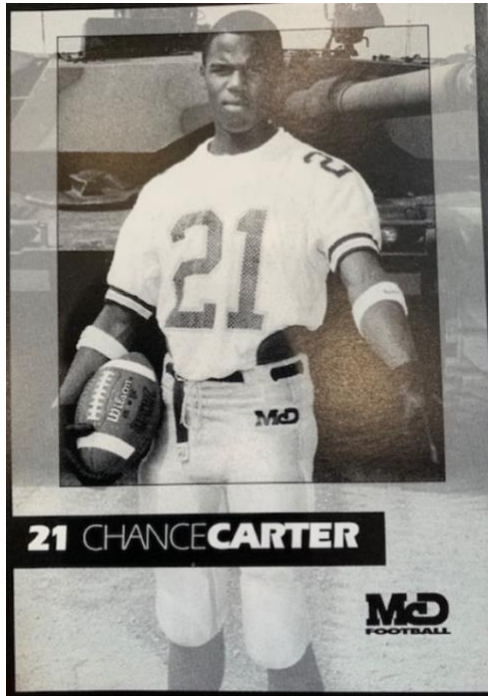
Updike's best memories were from '95 Cumberland Valley game when he recovered an onside kick with 1 min remaining to ensure a 28-25 win. He loved pregame mass with Deacon Wrabel and post-game victory celebrations. Scott is still disgusted by spaghetti.



**NOAH LAMBERT #19**



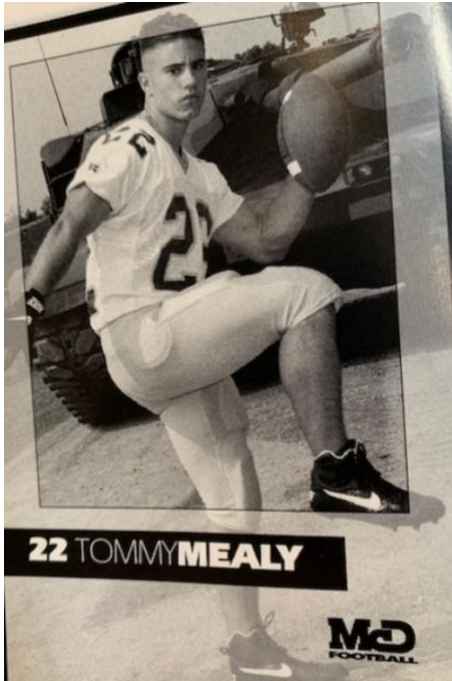
## CHANCE CARTER #21



Chance is a Union Iron Work local 404. He has two kids, Sean and Jaelyn and lives in Steelton. His best memory was graduating from Bishop McDevitt.



## TOMMY MEALY #22



Tommy has worked in education and athletics for 21 years, the last 17 at Bishop McDevitt as the athletic director, assistant football coach and head track and field coach. Tommy was voted District III's Mid Penn Athletic Director of the Year during the 2015-16 school year.

Tommy and his wife Jessica have three kids - daughters Kayla, Jenna and son Trey. Tommy was a team captain and running back for the '95 PIAA 2A Championship team;

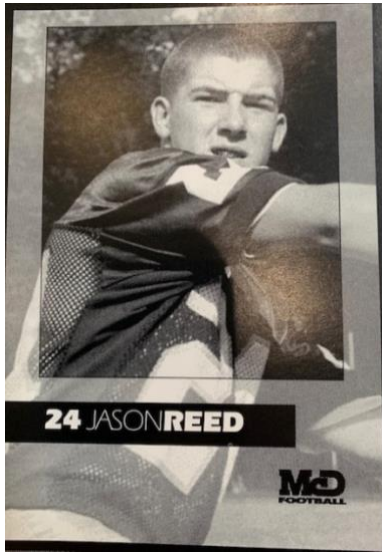
his favorite memory from '95 was the Altoona Mansion Park weekend experience and returning home to Market Street to a fanfare

of community and school support.





## JASON REED #24



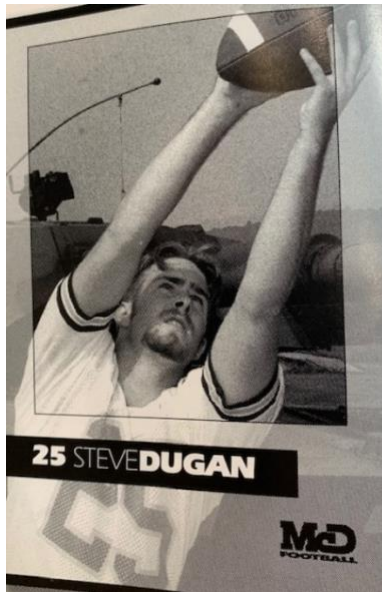
Jason lives in Linglestown with his wife, Jennifer and four children Colin, Zach, Ben and Jessica.

He works for the US Postal Service.

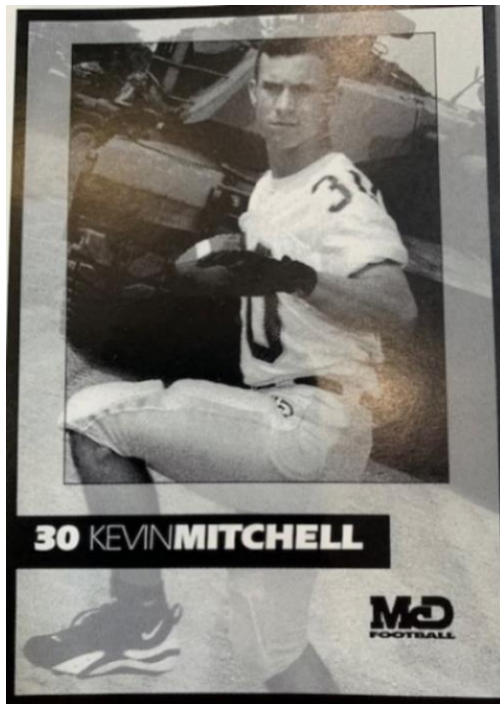
His favorite memory is just being a part of the "perfect" season!!



**STEVE DUGAN #25**



## KEVIN MITCHEL #30



Kevin currently lives in Harrisburg with his wife Sarina and daughter Tegan. He is the Chief Financial Officer for Pivot Health Solutions.

Mitch's favorite McD memory after winning the state championship is Coach Fel's pre-game motivational speeches in the pitch-black weight room.

He devotes a lot of time working with Andrew's Gift Foundation which provides resources to individuals living with autism to enable their development and enrich their lives. They provide grants to individuals/families and school systems within Dauphin, Cumberland, Perry, Lebanon and Lancaster counties in Pennsylvania.

<https://www.andrewsgift26.com/>

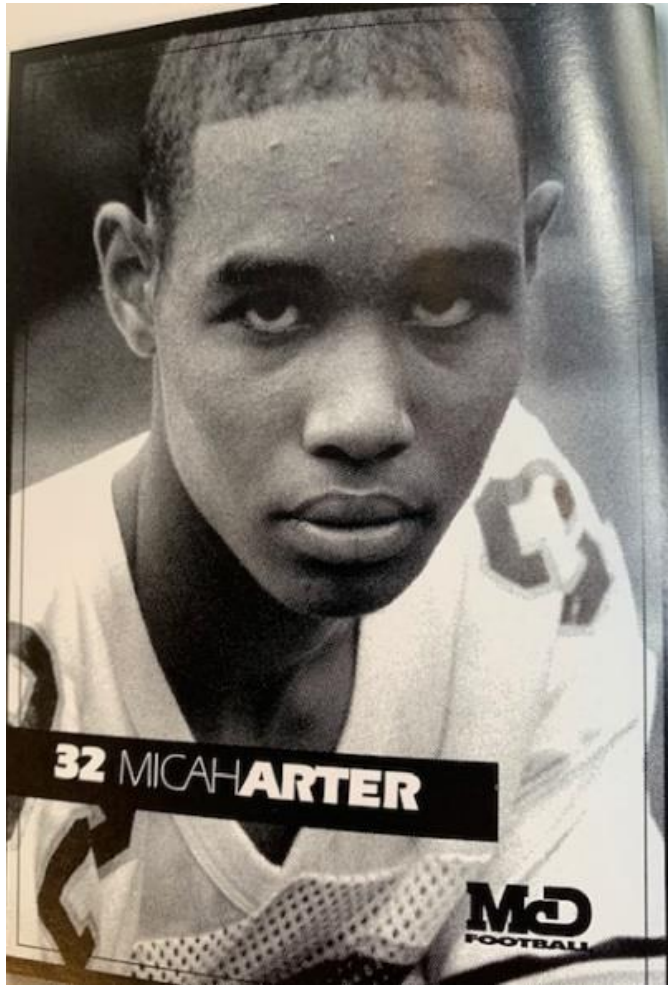




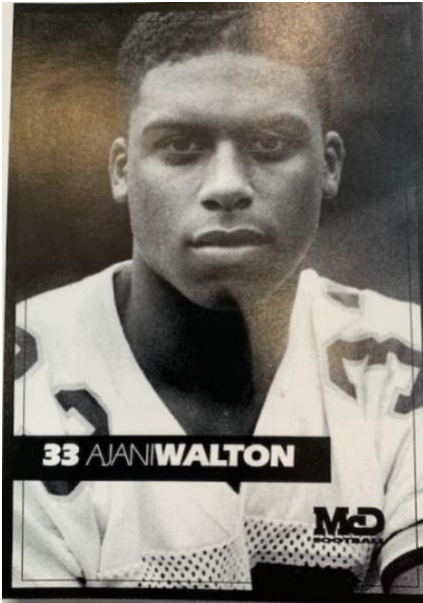
**SON TRINH #31**



**MICAH ARTER #32**



## AJANI WALTON #33



Ajani currently lives in the Harrisburg area. He is married to Lynette and they have five children: Jonas is 12, Jarius is 10, Melaina is 7, Isla is 5 and Reign is 3. He is a Logistics Coordinator for US exports.

Ajani's favorite memory is walking to John Harris for our games against the Harrisburg Cougars.

Ajani supports St. Jude's and Big Brothers/Sisters charities.





## SCOTT KOPPENHEFFER #34



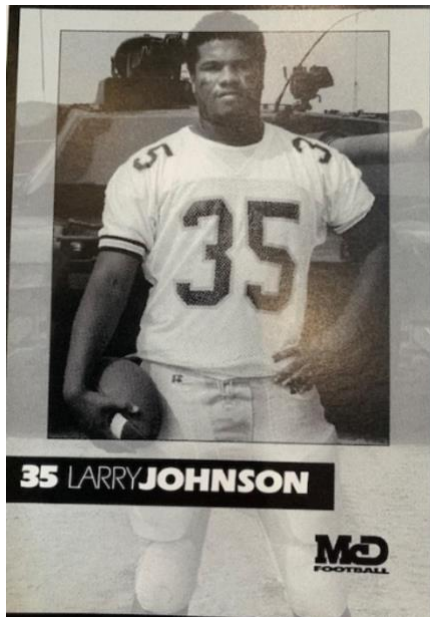
Kop graduated from Fordham University and now lives in Naples, FL with his wife, Jill, and three daughters, Kira, Hannah and Morgan. They also have "2 fur baby Boxers" (Penny and Mia).

Scott is a Hedge Fund Portfolio Manager.

His favorite memory is, "Simply the love, enthusiasm and support of the entire extended McDevitt family."



## LARRY JOHNSON #35

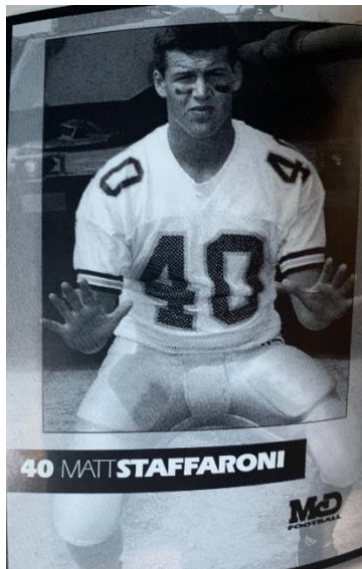


Shug lives in the Harrisburg area. He has been an over-the-road truck driver for the past 13 years. He has two children and 3 grandchildren.

His favorite memory was the "Mud Bowl" versus the Harrisburg Cougars!!



## MATT STAFFARONI #40

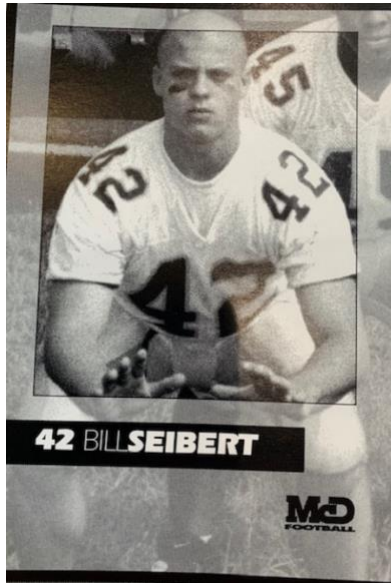


Matt currently lives in Collegeville, PA and has two children; Jack is 12 and Grace is 9. He is the Sales Director at Lumen Technologies.

"Staff's" favorite memories are "countless". He fondly remembers everything about game day mornings at old McDevitt field, walking up to the field and through the gates, the locker room, the weight room before games. He appreciated Deacon Wrabel's pregame messages and then up the steps, hearing the band play and the crowd cheering as we run to the sidelines.



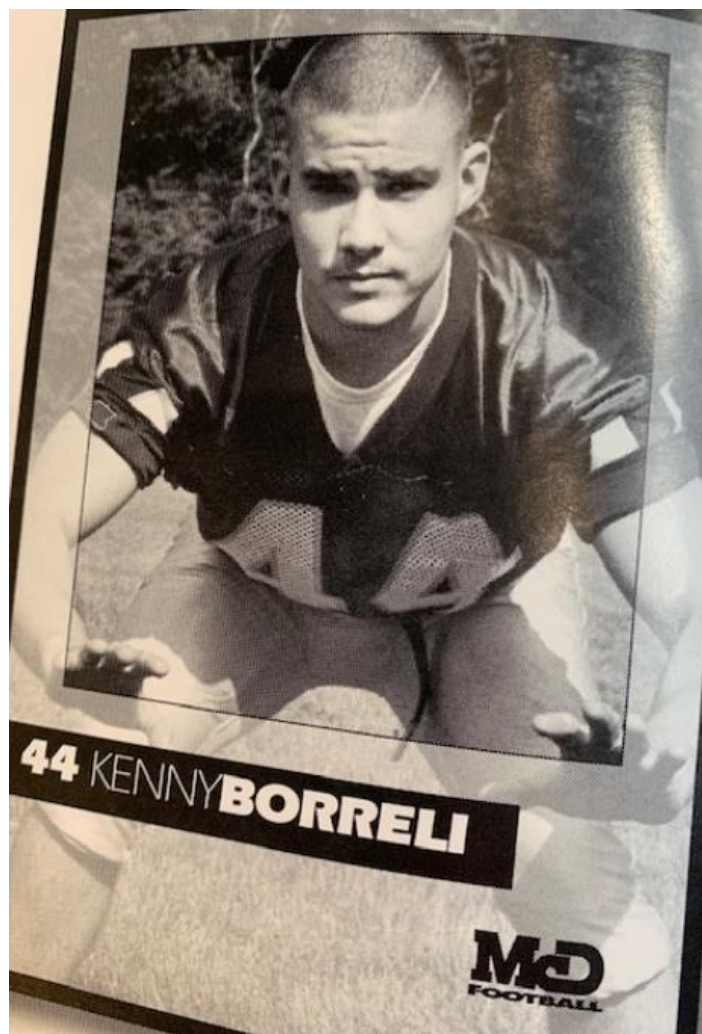
## **BILL SEIBERT #42**



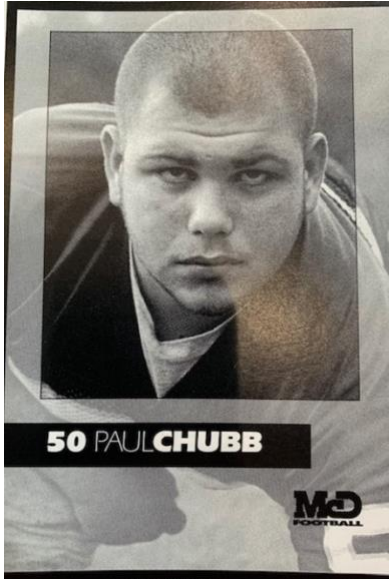
Sadly, Billy passed away in 2012. He has two daughters, Emma and Ava.



**KENNY BORRELI #44**



## PAUL CHUBB #50

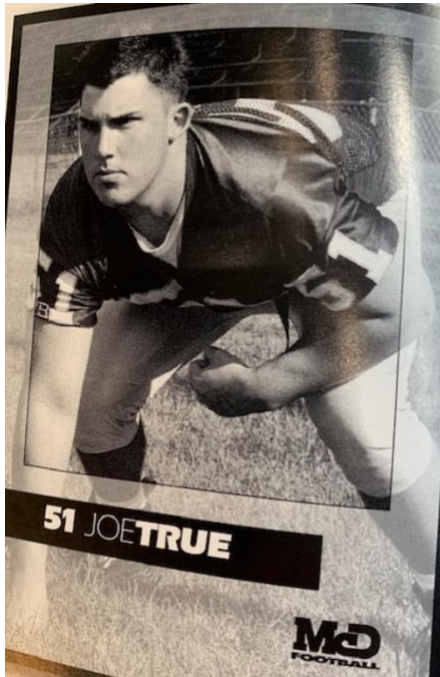


Dr. Chubb is an Orthopedic Hand Surgeon in El Paso, Texas.





## JOE TRUE #51

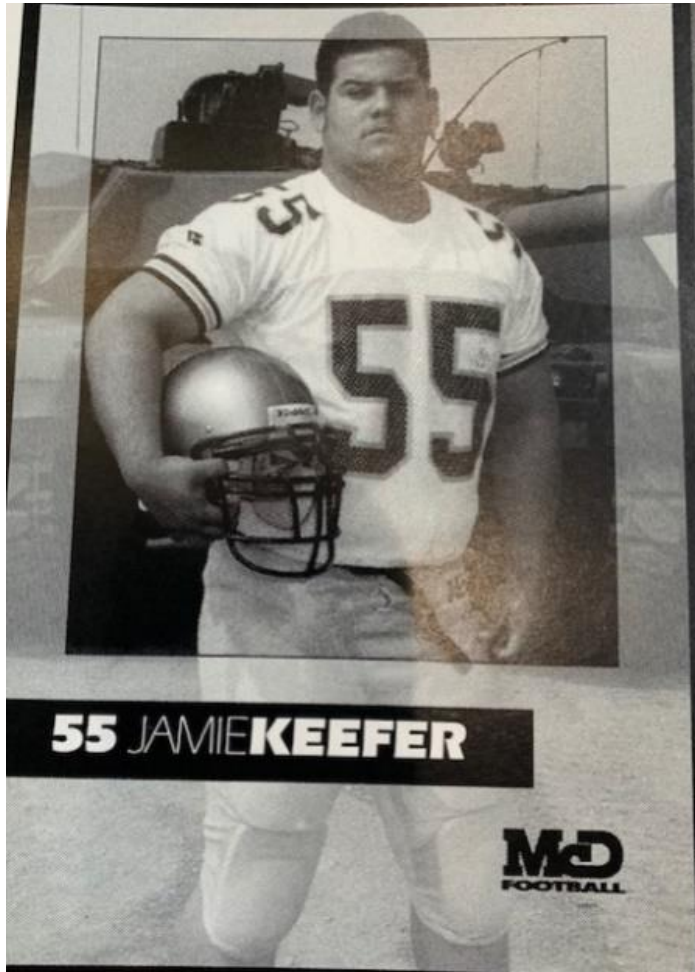


Joe currently lives in York, PA. He is working for Power Home Solar.

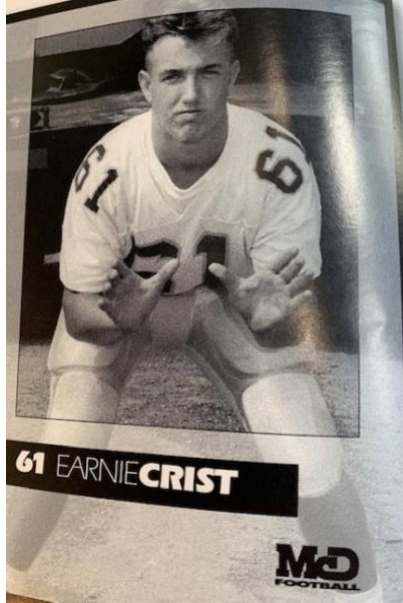
He has some great McDevitt memories starting with Pete Fox handing down his game-worn socks, Billy Seibert getting sick after drinking from the spit bottle and Coach Bull cutting up the rope and giving out pieces to the lineman after the State Championship game.



JAIME KEEFER #55



## EARNIE CRIST #61



Earnie lives in Duncannon, PA and works at Dauphin County Tech School as a Maintenance tech.

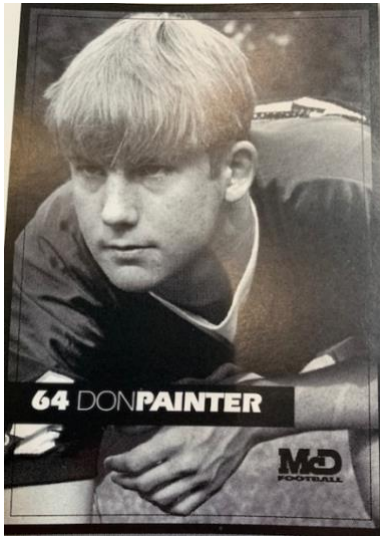
He has two children, Earnie IV (14) and Savannah (13). His son plays varsity football and basketball at Susquenita. And his daughter is on a travel soccer team.

His favorite memory would be his 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade seasons.





## DON PAINTER #64



Don currently lives in Harrisburg with his wife, Melissa and two sons, Jaxon and Grayson. He works for Cleveland Cliffs Steel.

His favorite memory is "traveling with the whole team the day before the state

championship game...leaving in front of the entire school and staying at the hotel. Hanging out with the team on the road felt like we were in the NFL."



## MATT CICHY #65



Matt currently lives in Harrisburg with his wife, Sarah. He is a Civil Engineer at Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc.

His favorite memory is winning the District 3 title his senior year.





## TJ MCKENNA #70



TJ is living in the Harrisburg area after being in Washington DC for several years working as a Federal Agent.

He has been dating fellow alumni Molly Sullivan.

His favorite memory is the atmosphere playing a rivalry home game at old McDevitt field.





## MIKE KEISTER #72



Mike currently lives in Mechanicsburg (ashamedly in the CV school district) with his wife Amber and their kids, Stella, Jackson and Hendrix. He works as a police officer.

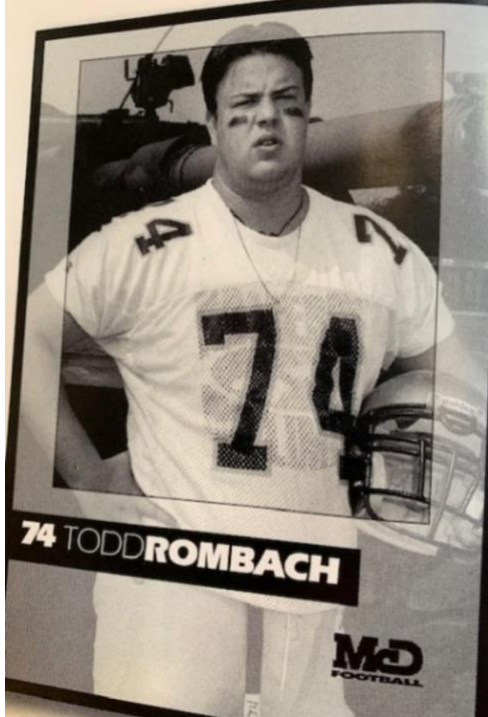
Keister's favorite memory:

"... pregame at home. Roll in, some kids I instantly hate are on our field, the smell of Schnader's Taters warming up the fryers. Descend into the locker room, it's eerily quiet, everybody is locked in. Strap up, warm up, Crusader jacks. Go down into the weight room, lights off, Coach Fel spitting fire. Climb back up out of our hole, stands are packed, run onto the



field to cheering, cowbells, and the band. Pile up on the sideline, the prayer, and then it's on. It was great!!"

## TODD ROMBACH #74



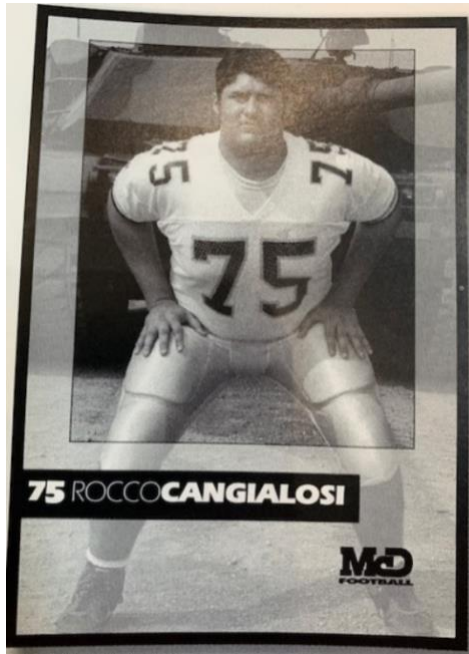
Todd currently lives in Mechanicsburg, PA with his wife Jill and children, Emma (10) and Drew (7). He is the Manager of Compliance Operations at the Pennsylvania Treasury Department. Todd is also an FCS football official and worked the 2018 FCS National Championship game.



Rombach's favorite memory is winning the state championship and cherished hanging out in the locker room after practice with a great group of guys. "What made our team unique is that our locker room was full of different types of characters from different walks of life, none of that mattered. Everyone on the team clicked and got along so well."



## ROCCO CANGIALOSI #75



Rocco currently lives in Palmyra, PA with his wife Shelley and children Matteo (14) and Luca (10).

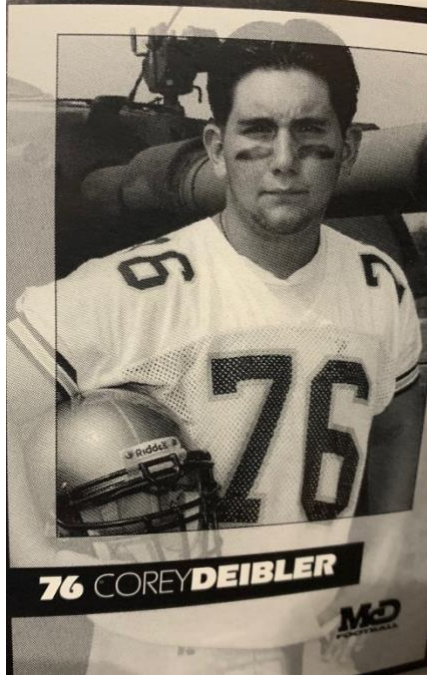
Rocco is a Financial Advisor with Edward Jones Investments.

His favorite McD memory is beating Harrisburg in the mud on the final drive the entire length of old McDevitt Field. Rocco loves his family and enjoys traveling.





## COREY DEIBLER #76

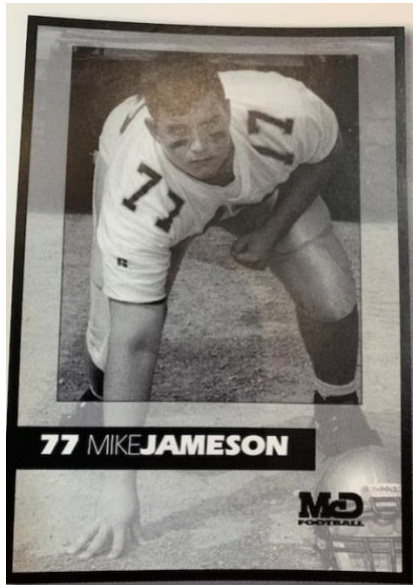


Deib is living in Camp Hill with his wife, Nicole, and children Sophie (12), Greyson (8) and their dog Samson. Corey is the founding partner at a local financial consulting firm, volunteering on various boards and committees in the Harrisburg area and within the Harrisburg Diocese.

He was an assistance coach on the 2008 and 2009 PIAA State Championship Steelton-Highspire High School Rollers football team. He's a big fan of Notre Dame Football, is a mediocre to average golfer and loves extreme Fellowship.



## MIKE JAMESON #77



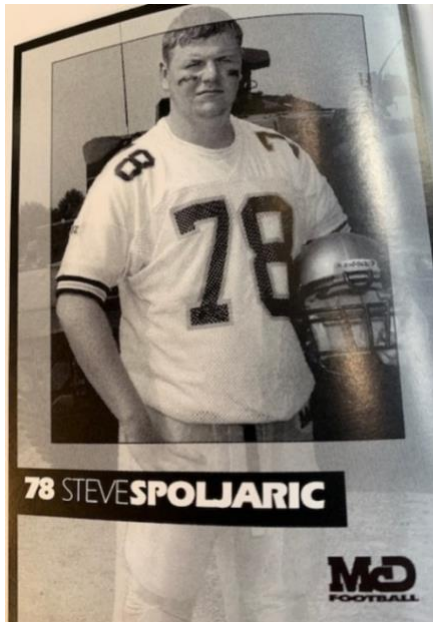
Mike currently lives in Pittsburgh, PA with his wife Colleen (McD grad '98) with children Erin (17) and Ryan (15). He is the Head of Data Integration at Bayer Pharmaceuticals.

Jameson's best memory is beating the GREEN team his senior year.





## STEVE SPOLJARIC #78



Spo currently lives in The Woodlands, Texas with his wife Dawn and their children, Vincenzo (10), Lucianella (7), Serafina (5) and Santino (3). He works for a 125-year Engineering and Construction company,

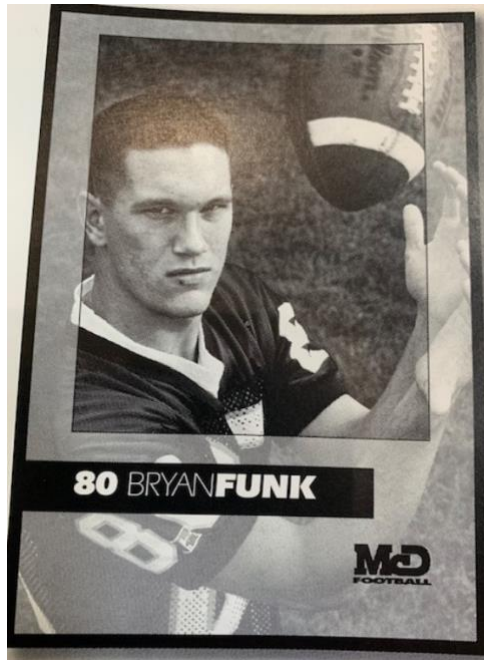
Bechtel, as their Corporate Manager for Global Logistics. He is also President for the United States Exporters Competitive Maritime Council and serves on an Executive Advisory Board for the University of Houston.

After McDevitt he played NCAA football at Fordham University where he earned a degree in economics and then a master's degree in industrial engineering from Clemson University.

His (least) favorite memory is Coach Bull's ROPE "*Ready-Ready-Ready-Hit it!*". He felt Saturday morning game day was the best...smelling the grass, cigars, french fries and upholding the tradition as you emerge as a team from the depths of our locker room, determined by the whispers of players from the past.



## BRYAN FUNK #80



Bryan lives in Dauphin, PA with his wife Melissa and children Gannon (15) and Ansley (10). Gannon attends McDevitt and plays JV baseball.

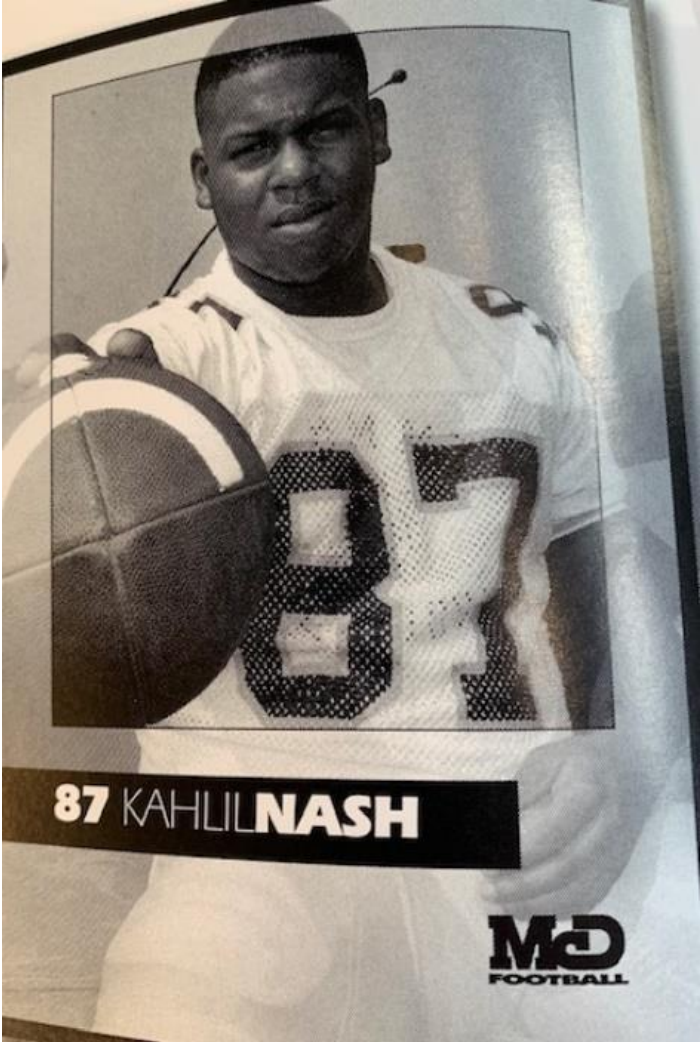
Bryan is an electrician for the Department of General Services at the State Capital Complex. He also coaches for Central Penn pony level.



**STEVE TAYLOR #82**

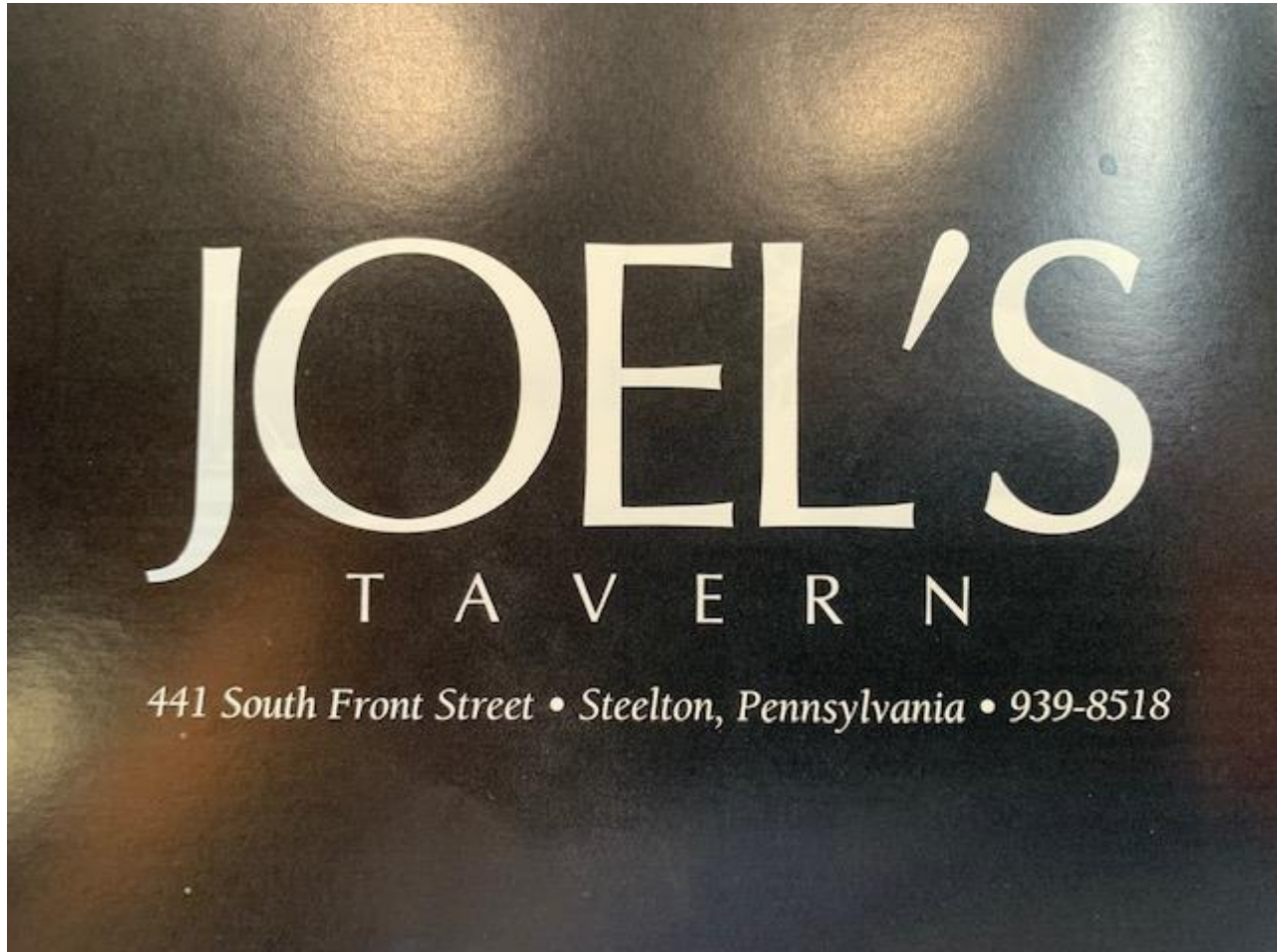


**KAHLIL NASH #87**



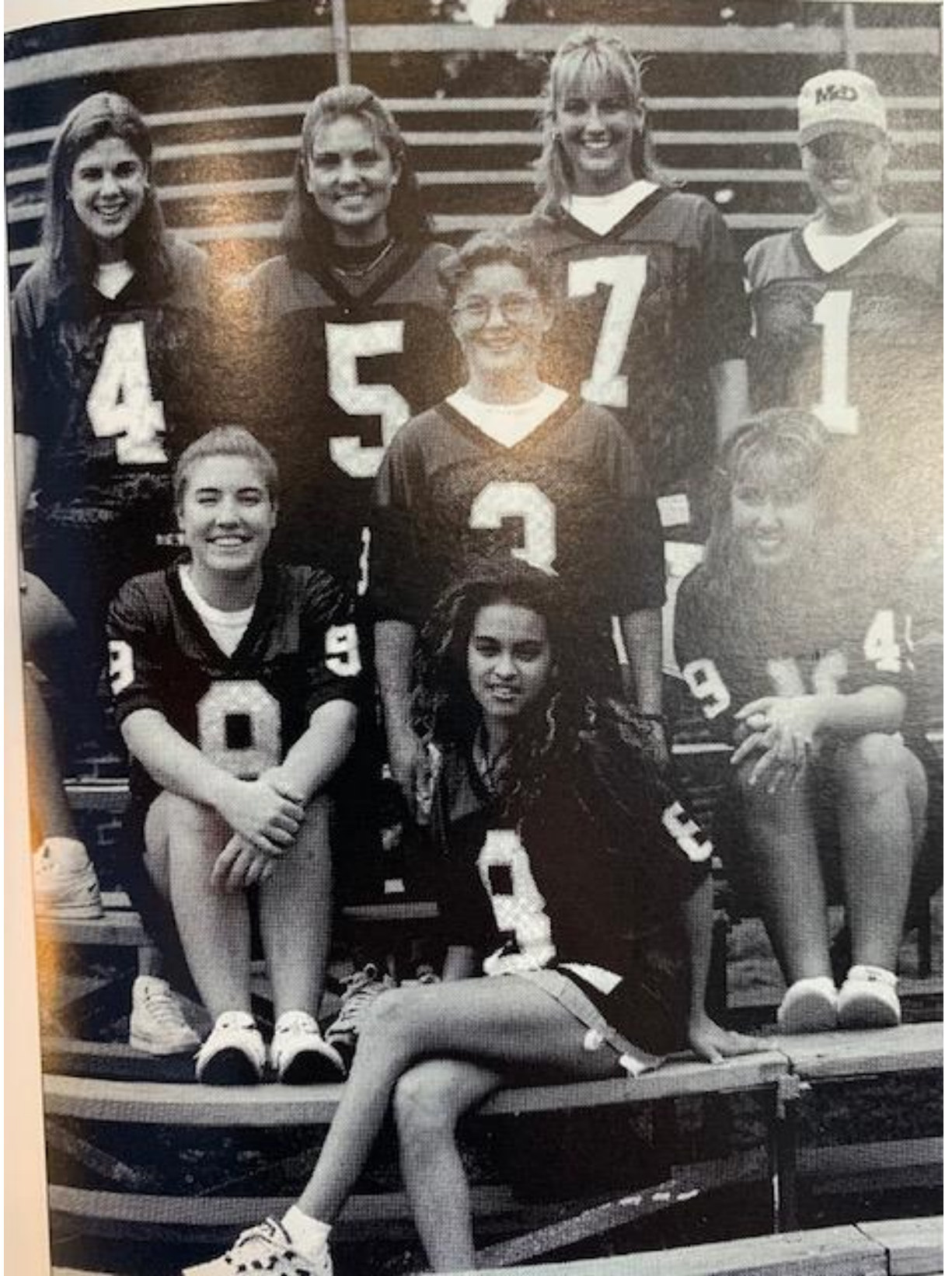


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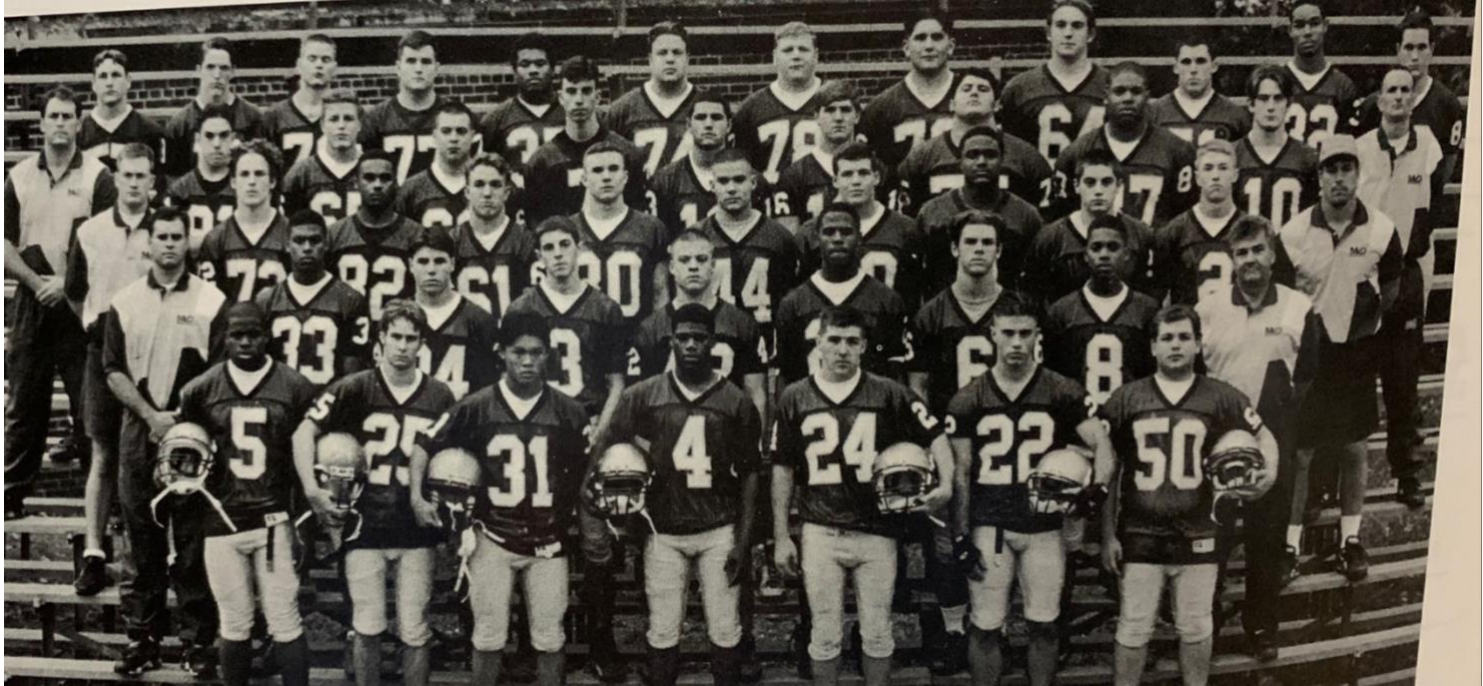












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