

Middlesboro Sports Hall of Fame Class of 2011

John Timothy Gent – 1989
MHS football, baseball, wrestling



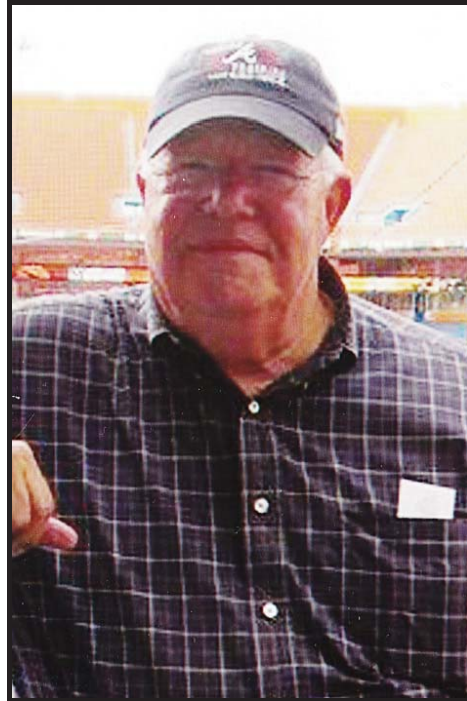
Tim was a running back and defensive end on the Yellow Jacket football team. He earned second team All SEKC honors in 1987, 1st Team All SEKC in 1988 and was a 1988 Honorable Mention All State team member.

He was the Yellow Jacket Football MVP in 1988 and was the MVP of the 1st Annual Mellow Yellow Bowl. He was also chosen MVP that year of the annual Senior Night battle with Corbin.

As Middlesboro's shortstop on the 1989 baseball team, he was named the team's Best All Around Player.

He earned a baseball scholarship to Sue Bennett College.

Houston E. Ball – 1960
MHS football, basketball, track



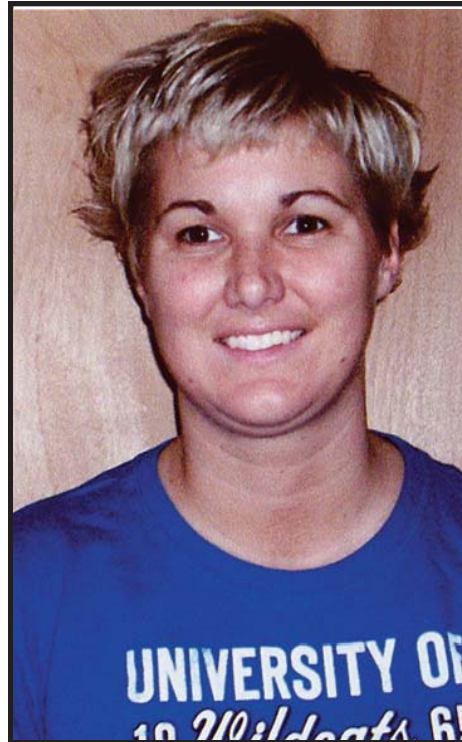
Houston played center for the Yellow Jacket football team for four years and was the team captain his senior season. He was named to the All SEKC team in 1958 (1st Team) and again in 1959 (2nd Team). He was also named to the Honorable Mention Allstar Team and started at center for the East squad. He was also a member of the 1956 Pinnacle Bowl team. Middlesboro football went 29-11 while he was part of the team. In 1959, they were the conference champions.

As a three year member of the baseball squad, he played 1st base, catcher, and center field. He was a forward for three years on the basketball team and ran the 440 in track. He was offered football scholarships to Western Kentucky and to Carson-Newman,

but chose not to play college ball.

He was an honor graduate of Middlesboro High School.

Tiffany S. (Rains) Earl – 1999
MHS basketball, softball,
cross country and track
Tiffany won the Best Rebounder Award



and Best Defender Award on her Middlesboro High School basketball team in 1995-

96. She again earned the Best Rebounder Award in 1996-97. She was named to the 1996 Lady Jackets All Tournament Team. In the 1997-98 season she was Co-MVP of the team and joined the 1,000 point club.

The 1998-99 season saw her earn Co-Rebounder and Co-Offensive Player of the Year awards.

She was All Southeastern Kentucky Conference and All District in 1996, 1997, 1998 and 1999. She was ranked the #1 player in the 13th Region in 1998 and was named to the 13th Region Team All Tournament Team and made the All A 13th Region Tournament team that year.

In 1999 she was the MVP of the All A 13th Region Tournament and made the All-Tournament Team at the All A State Tournament. She was chosen Guard of the Game for her play in the All A State.

Also in 1999, she was a member of the 13th Region Allstars in the annual 12th vs. 13th Region Allstar Game, was a member of the All Mountain Team of 1999, and made Honorable Mention All State.

She was Middlesboro's Most Valuable Cross Country Runner and was Honorable Mention All State in 1995. As a Track and Field performer she was All SEKC and the team's Most Valuable Runner for 1996.

In 1997, she was a 1st Team All District softball player and in 1998 she repeated as 1st Team All District, plus added a 1st Team All Region award. Tiffany accepted a basketball scholarship to Carson-Newman.



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