

Wilson Athletic Hall of Fame 1995 Inductees

Kerry Collins – (Class of 1990) – Kerry is the first Wilson athlete to lead teams into two PIAA State Championship games in two different sports. Kerry earned All-State & Big-33 honors in football in 1989, throwing for 2043 and 17 TDs.

Kerry was also a three-year starter in basketball and baseball and set a record for most hits in a season.

Moving on to Penn State University, he was named All-American in 1994 while leading the Nittany Lions to an undefeated season, a Rose Bowl victory and an NCAA Championship.

He was the first QB selected in the 1995 NFL draft (by the Carolina Panthers) and went on to a long career in the NFL that included Kerry leading the NY Giants to Super Bowl XXXV in 2000 against the Baltimore Ravens.

John Delp III – (Class of 1990) – John was a three-time All-Berks bowler while leading the Bulldogs to the 1990 Berks championship. He set a Berks record for average his senior year as well and appeared the Sports Illustrated Faces in the Crowd section.

John also set Berks records for a three-game series and bowled consecutive 300 games. He was selected as an All-American and continued to bowl competitively as both an amateur and a pro, making three finals on the National Tour.

While at Wilson, John rolled eight 300 games and eight 800+ series as well. He would later assume the role of Head Coach for Wilson Bowling.

Dick ‘Tucker’ DiGuardi – (Class of 1950) – ‘Tucker’ was a three-year starter at quarterback and held a career TD pass record (19) for some 27 years and set a then-record for longest TD pass at 88 yards.

Dick also captained the basketball team and played baseball as well. He moved on to Dickinson College on his way to becoming a dentist an oral surgeon.

Marty Flickinger – (Class of 1961) – Marty helped put Wilson Swimming on the map by becoming the first Bulldog to qualify for Districts, Regionals and States and made the State finals in both the 50 and 100 freestyle events. He also played on the baseball team.

Moving on to Rutgers University, Marty served as captain of the swim team and was a Scarlet Knight record holder as well.

Jim Lewis – (Class of 1986) – Jim earned six letters at Wilson – three each in football and wrestling. In his football career, he rushed for 1733 yards and was named Offensive Back of the Year in the Lancaster-Lebanon League. He was also captain of the team his senior year.

Jim was also a District 3 138 Pound Wrestling Champion, finishing his career at 67-19.

He went on to graduate from the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis and served the USA in his capacity as a career naval officer.

Grant S. Mahon, Jr. – (Coach/Teacher) – Grant was 1948 graduate of Reading High where he ran as a member of their 1947 State Championship team. At Wilson, he coached cross country, track and swimming over a 33 year period, a total of 74 man-years coaching.

He was associated with eight league-winning teams and two district championship teams and was named Berks Cross Country Coach of the Year twice (1983 & 1991).

Grant never really kept a record of wins and losses, much preferring that self-improvement and the friendship gained through sports were more important.

Brian McCarty – (Class of 1990) – Brian was an important part of the Wilson state runner-up football team during the 1989 season. He was selected as a First Team All-State player at running back after completing one of the best all-around combined performances by a running back/defensive back.

He set records for points scored, total yards, TD passes caught and pass receiving yards and sits high on the lists in other areas.

Brian also lettered in baseball three times. He continued his education and football career at Towson State University and set several records there as well.

Juli Winkler – (Class of 1986) – A three-sport athlete with 11 varsity letters to her credit, Juli excelled in tennis basketball and track & field. She earned four letters in tennis and track and three in basketball.

Juli was a member of the Berks Championship Tennis Doubles Team her junior and senior years and was a starter on three Wilson basketball teams, including the first one to win a Berks title.

In track, Juli won numerous medals in local, district and state competition in shot put, discus and javelin and set a Wilson record in the shot.

She continued her track career at Bucknell University where she led the Bison to three East Coast Conference titles. She was a three-time shot put champion and Bucknell record hold in the hammer and 20 lb. weight throw.