

The Middlesboro Sports Hall of Fame inducts the Class of 2015

The Middlesboro Sports Hall of Fame was established for the purpose of honoring past players, coaches and supporters of Middlesboro sports. The 2015 inductees are:

Douglas E. Williams - 1967



Doug played football, basketball, baseball and track for the Yellow Jackets. In football, he was a halfback/linebacker. He was named 1st Team All SEKC in both 1965 and 1966 as well as made the All Region

Team and was Honorable Mention All State.

He was a 1st Team All SEKC shortstop in baseball in both 1966 and 1967 and 1st Team All Region in that sport also.

During basketball season he played both guard and forward and was named to the All Tournament Team.

He ran the 100 & 220 yard dash, the long jump, and was part of the 440 and 880 relay teams in track. He was a two time winner in 1966 and again in 1967 of the SEKC 100, 220 and long jump.

He also played baseball and basketball for two years at Lincoln High School.

Doug earned a scholarship to Tennessee State, then later transferred to Cumberland College where he was an all conference track star. He set a school record at Cumberland College with a 9.8 second 100 yard dash.

Jay Bee West - 1989

Jay Bee was a football, basketball and baseball standout for Middlesboro High School. He was a tight end on the football team and earned All SEKC, All District, All Region and Honorable Mention All State honors.

He played both forward and center in basketball and again earned All SEKC, All District and Honorable Mention All State

awards.

As a baseball outfielder, he was named to the All SEKC Tournament team.

He was chosen Mr. MHS in both his junior and senior years and was named MHS Male Athlete of the Year in 1989.

He earned a baseball scholarship to Kentucky State University, then later transferred to Sue Bennett College.

1974 Middlesboro High School Football Team

The 1974 Yellow Jackets were coached by Tom Stapleton with assistant coaches Ron Whaley, Jesse Taylor and Roscoe Perkins. The team captains were Bill Powell, Tim Riggs and Pal Smith. Team managers were Mark Hurt, Mike Woten and Robert Iovine. The '74 team finished 11 and 2, losing in the Kentucky 2A State Finals.

They outscored their opponents 289 to 105, for an average game score of 22 to 8. Along with the 2A State Runnerup, they won the SEKC, District One and Region Four titles.

This team had two players named All State and seven named 1st Team All SEKC.

1981 Middlesboro High School Football Team

The '81 coaching staff consisted of Head

Coach Ed VanHoose and Assistant Coaches Bill Powell, David Mike, Babe Rogers and Charles Jones. Team managers were Rusty Peace, Shawn VanHoose and Mike Evans. The Yellow Jackets finished 12 and 1 on the year, losing only at Somerset in the playoffs. Middlesboro outscored their opponents 423-54 for an average of 32.5 to 4. They claimed another SEKC Championship as well as a District 3 crown. Two players from this squad were named All State and four made the 1st Team All SEKC squad.



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The Middlesboro Sports Hall of Fame, Inc.
invites you to join them as they honor their 2015 inductees

Douglas E. Williams ~ 1967
Football, Basketball, Baseball & Track

Jay Bee West, Jr. ~ 1989
Football, Basketball & Baseball

1974 MHS Football Team
Finished with an 11-2 record, State Runnerup

1981 MHS Football Team
Finished 12-1, SEKC & District Champs

Friday October 9th

Festivities begin with a Friday afternoon cookout, followed by recognition of inductees at halftime of the Middlesboro-LCA game.

Saturday October 10th

Official induction ceremony and dinner
6:30pm at the Middlesboro Country Club

Tickets to the induction ceremony and dinner are \$15 each and may be purchased from any selection committee member.

A limited number of tickets are available!



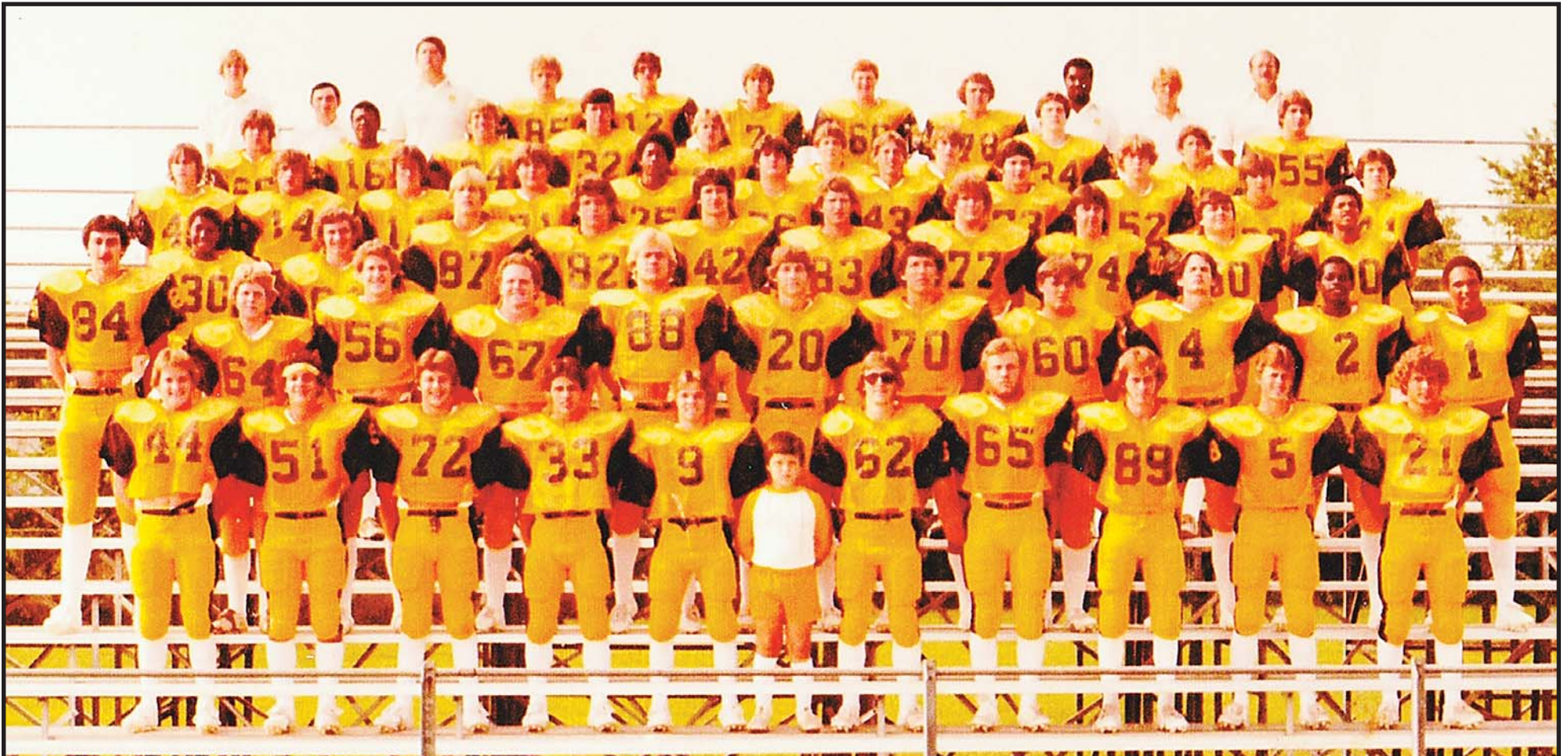
Middlesboro's Billy "Bubbles" Hamlin fights for yardage in the 1974 AA Championship Game against Owensboro. The Jackets were held to just 102 yards total offense in the game by a stout Owensboro defense. *Photo Submitted*

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1981 Middlesboro Yellow Jackets Won 12 Lost 1

Williams, Cleveland, Matthews, Shattuck, Childers, Burch, Barnes, Kyle, White, Heath, Hensley, Mullins, B. Taylor, Valencia, Schneider, Smith, Burchfield, T. Taylor, Uhl, N. Taylor, Baker, D. Kyle, Martin, T. Hensley, Ely, Cosby, Mason, Blake, Moyers, Evans, Lewis, Frost, Barger, Mills, Adams, Reams, Poore, Turner, Johnson, Morrison, Givens, Bacon, C. Timm, Campbell, Jackson, R. Timm, Raines, Ramsey, Mink, Buis, Hafer, Fultz, S. Hensley, Elam, Jones, Oric, Epperson, Earle, Park, Buell, Martin, Hoskins