

Middlesboro Sports Hall of Fame 2016 inductee



**Middlesboro High School Softball
2004 All A State Champions**

The 2004 team went 39-4. They threw 19 no hitters, batted .370 and fielded at 94%.

They were the district, regional and sectional champions and won the first ever All A State Softball Championship.

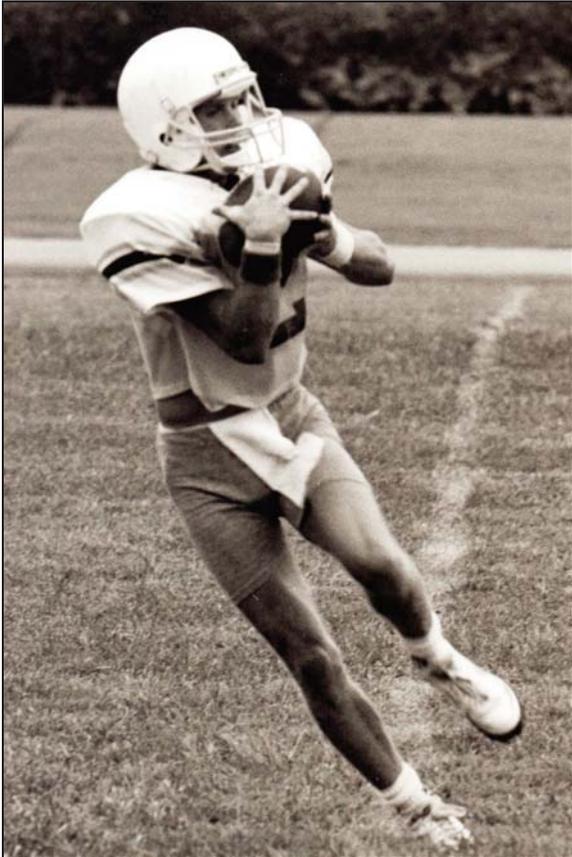
Four players were named all-district, four all-region and four all-state tournament teams. Three players were named all-state and one was all-state honorable mention.

Four seniors were selected to play in the East/West Allstar Game, most from any team in the state.

After 2004 they had won 7 districts and 7 regions in a row. In competing in the all classes state tournament they finished in the top 10 four years in a row. In 2001 4th, 2002 5th, 2003 7th, and 2004 4th place.

The 2004 team was ranked 4th overall in the state.

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DONNY GRIGSBY

Donny played football, basketball, tennis and track for the Jackets. In football he was a receiver, returner, and defensive back.

He was named to the All SEKC Team in 1985 and 1986 and Honorable Mention All State in 1986.

He was named the team's best receiver for 1985 and 1986.

In track he was a sprinter. He was named All SEKC in track in 1985, 86, 87, and he was named All State in track in 1985.

In tennis he had the teams best singles record for 1987.

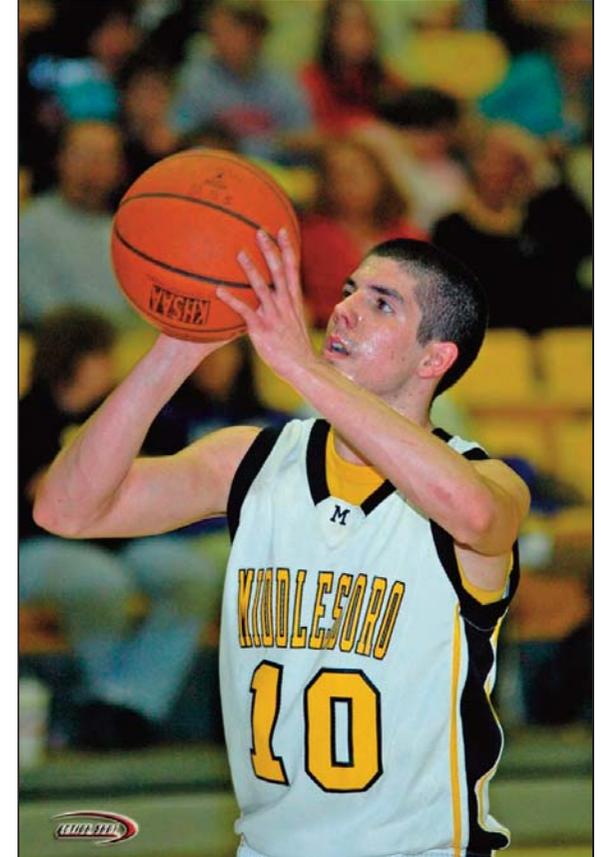
He was MHS Athlete of the Year in 1986, 87.

He accepted a football scholarship to Maryville College.



JACK LEWIS

Jack is being inducted into the Hall of Fame for his many years of support to Middlesboro sports programs. Jack did radio broadcasts of the Jackets for many years. In 1982, after years of labor and work, he compiled a book titled "A Winning Tradition" detailing the achievements and history of the Middlesboro Yellow Jacket football program. In 1990, he was also instrumental in bringing to life the Middlesboro Sports Hall of Fame. It is with great honor that the committee recognizes Jack for the years of labor that he has put forth in support of Middlesboro sports. The committee will also recognize Jack by having the award renamed in his honor, The Jack Lewis Award. Thank you Jack, for your time and faithfulness to the Middlesboro sports programs.



STUART MILLER

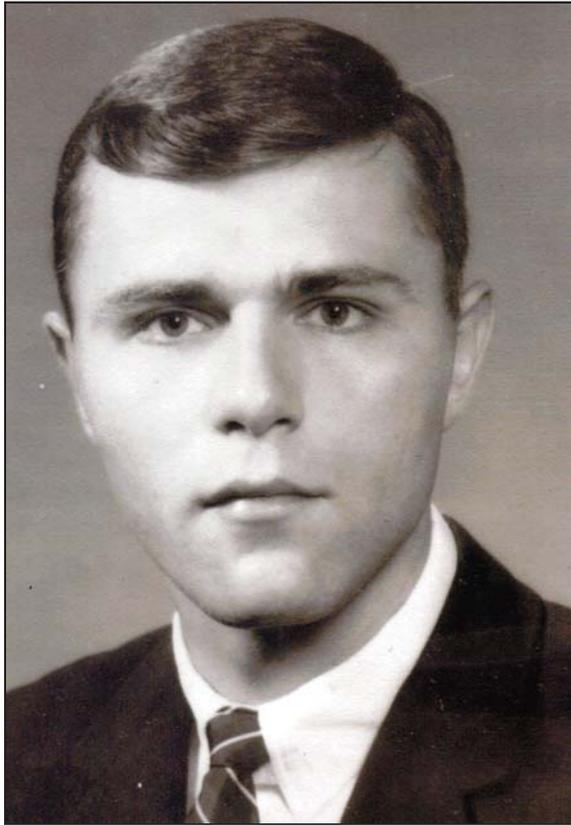
Stuart played basketball for the Yellow Jackets. As a freshman he made 27 three pointers with 12 of them coming in one game. He led the state as a junior with 120 three pointers and as a senior with 173 three pointers. His scoring average as a junior was 26.4 pts per game and 29.4 his senior year which was good enough for second in the state.

His career average was 42% from the 3 point line and 84.7 % from the free throw line. He scored 2,519 career points with 475 three-pointers.

He was named second team All State his senior year and set a single game scoring mark of 48 points.

Stuart played 2 years at the University of Louisville before transferring to Lincoln Memorial to finish out his career.

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JOHN CONNER

John played football and baseball for the Yellow Jackets.

In 1958 he was a football co-captain, was named All SEKC, Honorable Mention All State and selected to play in the Kentucky-West Virginia all star game.

In baseball John was a starter for 3 years.

He did not play college sports.

He received his BSCE in 1964 from the University of Kentucky and MBA from Indiana University in 1968.



SUZANNE COLLINS PREECE

Suzanne played tennis and basketball for the Yellow Jackets. In 1996: All SEKC doubles, regional doubles runnerup, state qualifier 1997: All SEKC doubles, regional doubles champion, state qualifier 1998: singles semi-finalist, regional tennis champion, state qualifier 1999: singles semi-finalist, regional tennis champion state qualifier 2000: All SEKC singles, regional singles champion, regional tennis team champion, won 2 rounds in state qualifier 2001: All SEKC singles, regional singles champion, regional tennis team champion, state quarterfinals, named First team All State Tennis Team. In basketball she played forward. Her 1998 team won the Class A regional championship. She accepted a tennis scholarship to Georgetown College. Named 2003 Georgetown College NAIA Womens National Tennis Scholar team. She lettered at Georgetown from 2002-05 where she won many awards