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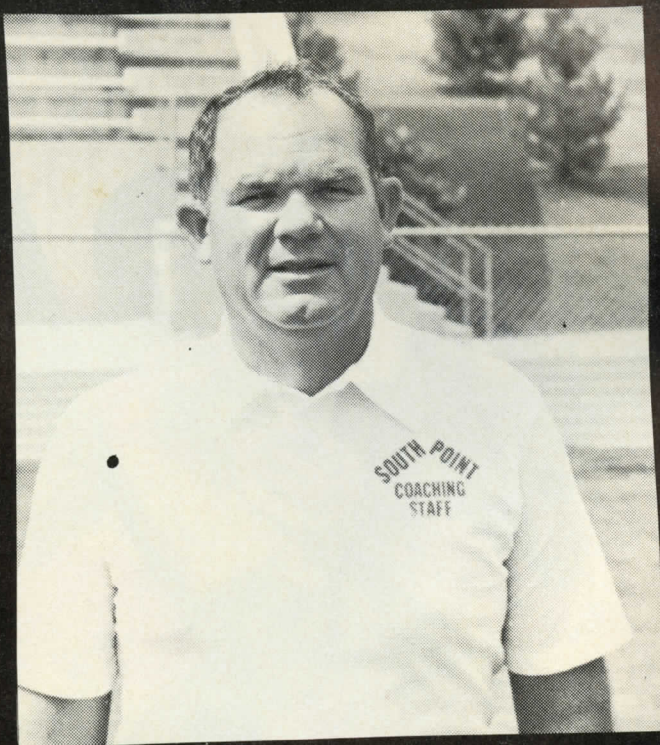


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### HOME

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Nov. 5 - R-S Central

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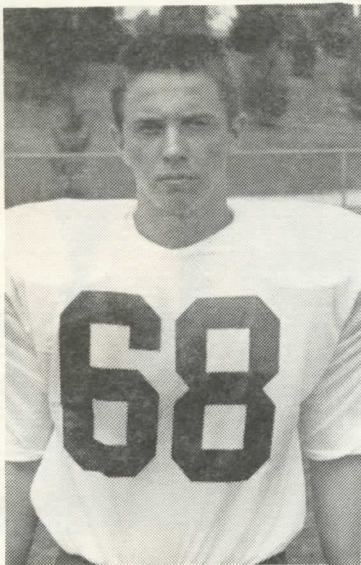
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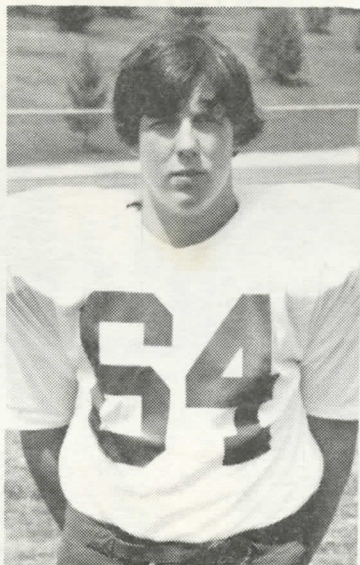
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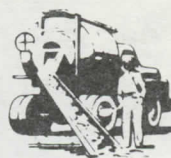
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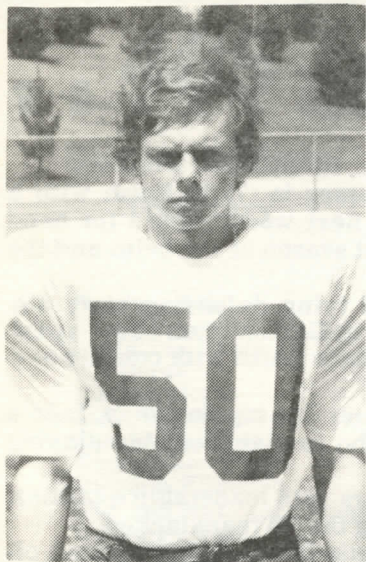
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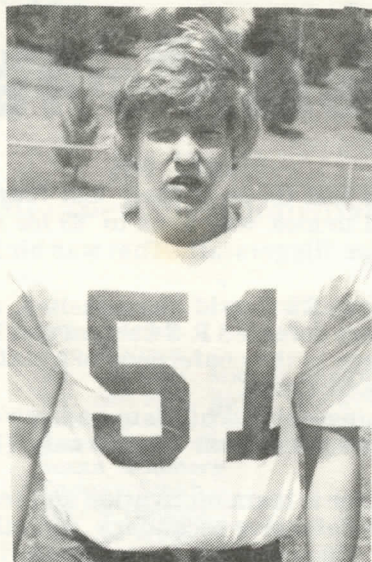
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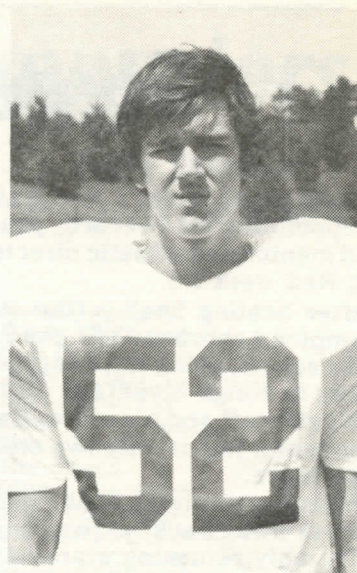




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# Biggerstaff's Task . . . . .

When South Point's Red Raiders lost three of their last four games in '75 to finish with a disappointing 5-4-1 record, you had to look way back to '69 for the next worst record for head grid mentor and athletic director Jim Biggerstaff. That was his first season at the helm and the Big Red went 5-5.

After beating Shelby (the eventual SWC grid champ) 10-6, and tying defending state 4-A champion Ashbrook 22-22, the Raiders defeated R-S Central and North Gaston, then came apart at the seams, going from second place in the conference to a sixth place finish with consecutive losses to Kings Mountain, Burns and Crest.

Biggerstaff and his aides, Earl Lingafeldt, Phil Tate and newcomer Jimmy Swayney, face a renovating job as only two starters return from '75 and only 11 who saw appreciable playing experience.

What Biggerstaff is looking most for is team motivation and seniors with leadership qualities, a break-away backfield and a tough defensive secondary, something the '75 team lacked.

The only returning starters are 150-pound senior halfback Dennis Isles, and 190-pound offensive tackle Rodney Phillips.

Although the team lacks experience, Biggerstaff believes the ability is there, and with time, the Raiders could jell. "This team has a lot of hustle and desire and we've got as good a sophomore crop as we've had since I've been at South Point," he says. Biggerstaff is starting his eighth season at South Point and six of those seasons went like this: 9-1, 12-0-1, 8-2-1, 11-0-1 and 9-1-1.

The Big Red is inexperienced at quarterback, but Biggerstaff believes that junior Joe Shepherd, an all-SWC basketball performer as a sophomore, can fill the bill. Backup men are Bill Slavich and Robby Suggs.

The Raiders have the services this fall of 170-pound junior Steve Davis, a real speedster and Cramerton Junior High Grad who had to sit out a year because he lived in the Ashbrook school district.

Fernandez Grier, a baby bull at 190 pounds and who runs the 100 in 10 seconds flat, is slated for fullback duty and should give the Raiders even more speed they lacked in the backfield last year. Davis will also play a defensive safety spot, while Grier will be a defensive linebacker.

Isles is the other two-way performer, playing halfback on defense. Other backs being counted on offensively are Randy Moss, a 140-pound senior, David Peche, a 140-pound junior and Rodney Friday, a 145-pound sophomore. Friday will likely play the other defensive halfback post along side Isles. All three defensive backs have outstanding speed.

## 1969 RESULTS

South Point 21, Cherryville 0  
 South Point 34, Crest 2  
 South Point 14, South Rowan 21  
 South Point 13, Kings Mountain 20  
 South Point 21, Lincolnton 7  
 South Point 6, Chase 26  
 South Point 0, R-S Central 7  
 South Point 13, Shelby 14  
 South Point 16, East Rutherford 13  
 South Point 29, Burns 12

## 1970 RESULTS

South Point 39, Cherryville 0  
 South Point 13, Crest 8  
 South Point 8, South Rowan 6  
 South Point 24, Kings Mountain 7  
 South Point 20, Lincolnton 7  
 South Point 42, Chase 0  
 South Point 52, R-S Central 20  
 South Point 14, Shelby 36  
 South Point 19, East Rutherford 0  
 South Point 40, Burns 6

## 1971 RESULTS

South Point 46, Cherryville 0  
 South Point 29, Crest 22  
 South Point 42, South Rowan 6  
 South Point 20, Kings Mountain 0  
 South Point 42, Lincolnton 0  
 South Point 33, Chase 7  
 South Point 28, R-S Central 0  
 South Point 27, Shelby 6  
 South Point 60, East Rutherford 0  
 South Point 42, Burns 13  
 + South Point 34, Lincolnton 20  
 + South Point 41, Newton-Conover 0  
 + South Point 14, Salisbury 14  
 + Indicates playoffs.

## 1972 RESULTS

South Point 14, Cherryville 6  
 South Point 15, Crest 13  
 South Point 0, East Gaston 0  
 South Point 28, Kings Mountain 19  
 South Point 34, Lincolnton 14  
 South Point 72, Chase 0  
 South Point 36, R-S Central 6  
 South Point 12, Shelby 28  
 South Point 36, East Rutherford 6  
 South Point 26, Burns 0  
 + South Point 7, Shelby 17





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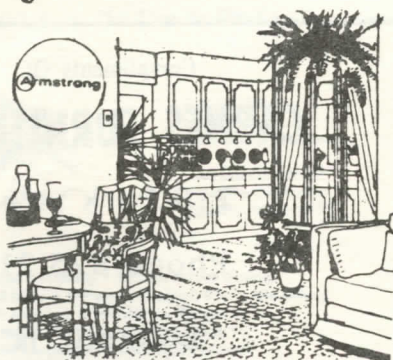
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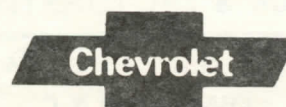
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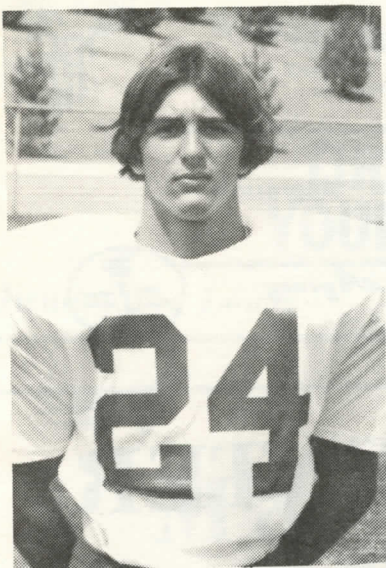
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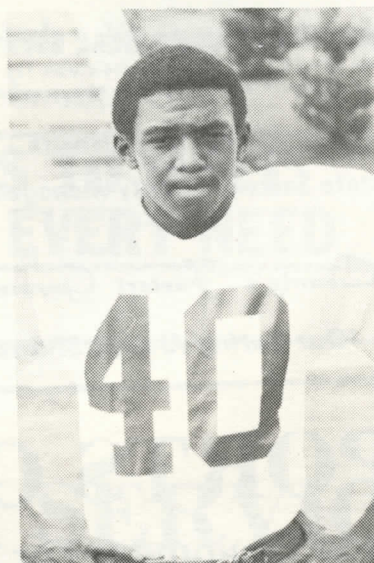
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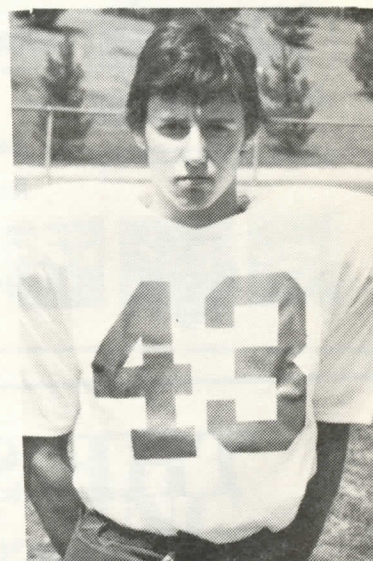




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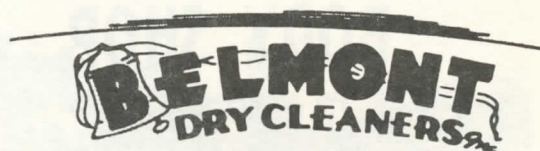


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# Rebuilding The Big Red

The starting guards on offense look to be 165-pound senior Randy Drennan and 165-pound junior Kenny Champion. Phillips and Drennan are outstanding team leaders. Among the other guard candidates are 175-pound sophomore Steve Ivester, 195-pound sophomore Darryl Russell and 180-pound sophomore Randle Morris.

Tackles other than Phillips are 225-pound Ken Smith, a senior, 215-pound sophomore Troy Leeper and 240-pound sophomore Scott Mathison. The starting center looks to be 185-pound junior Roger Patterson, backed up by 185-pound junior Scott McClellan and 150-pound sophomore Tim Wolfe.

Jerry Clubb, a 140-pound junior, looks to be the split end, while 195-pound senior Karl Witzke looks to be the top tight end. Clubb is backed up by Richard Lawing, a 160-pound junior who will probably start on defense at end, along with 170-pound senior Charles Mills. Behind Witzke at tight end is 170-pound junior Eddie Horne.

Mitch Painter, a 180-pound junior, is the likely defensive linebacker other than Grier. Russell is a likely starter at defensive tackle. Witzke and-or Grier will handle the kickoff and place-kicking chores and Shepherd or Witzke the punting.

The South Point athletic program had a turn-around in boys basketball last year when first-year coach Rod Rudisill led the cage team to a 16-9 record, the best in South Point history. He was named SWC Coach of the Year and also Gazetteland Coach of the Year.

Rudisill's cross country team finished fourth in the WNCHSAA Finals last year and South Point had the individual cross country champion in rising senior Ron Boatwright, also a tremendous mile and two-mile competitor. The cross country team should be even stronger this year.

The only outright SWC championship won by the school last year came when the Raiderette softball team captured the title, winning Division One honors, then beat Shelby for the crown. The Raiderette basketball team had an off-season at 11-12 with an inexperienced team, but Lingafeldt has a great group of sophomores set for competition and opponents had better beware as the Raiderettes, two-times WNCHSAA champs under Lingafeldt, might be back in the throneroom in the not-too-distant future.

Phil Tate's baseball team won the Division One title in a year they weren't supposed to with an 8-2 record before losing out to Shelby in the playoffs.

With as good a sophomore crop ever among the boys and the best sophomore crop ever among the girls (both Belmont and Cramerton junior highs won various girls titles), the future in SPSHS athletics is looking up-and onward to better things.

## 1973 RESULTS

South Point 48, Chase 13  
 South Point 35, Lincolnton 0  
 South Point 62, East Gaston 0  
 South Point 48, R-S Central 6  
 South Point 33, Crest 13  
 South Point 27, Lenoir 19  
 South Point 15, Shelby 7  
 South Point 27, Kings Mountain 0  
 South Point 40, Burns 7  
 South Point 46, North Gaston 0  
 + South Point 20, Crest 7  
 + South Point 7, Watauga 7

## 1974 RESULTS

South Point 31, Chase 6  
 South Point 41, Cherryville 0  
 South Point 21, Shelby 7  
 South Point 54, East Gaston 0  
 South Point 33, Lenoir 0  
 South Point 19, R-S Central 0  
 South Point 36, North Gaston 6  
 South Point 35, Kings Mountain 6  
 South Point 14, Burns 14  
 South Point 48, Crest 7  
 +South Point 14, Shelby 16

## 1975 RESULTS

South Point 6, Chase 14  
 South Point 22, Cherryville 0  
 South Point 10, Shelby 6  
 South Point 36, East Gaston 0  
 South Point 22, Ashbrook 22 (tie)  
 South Point 24, R-S Central 0  
 South Point 21, North Gaston 12  
 South Point 27, Kings Mountain 30  
 South Point 20, Burns 26  
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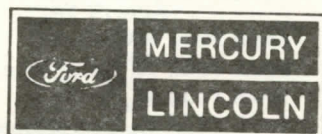
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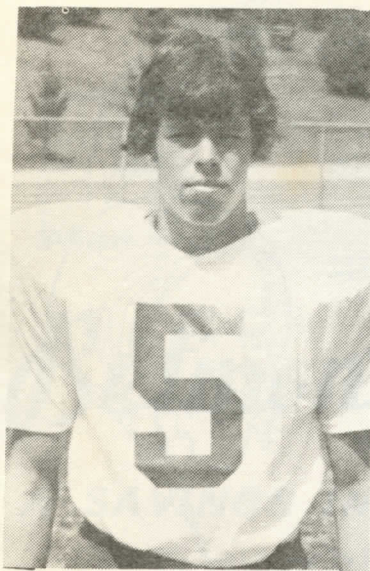
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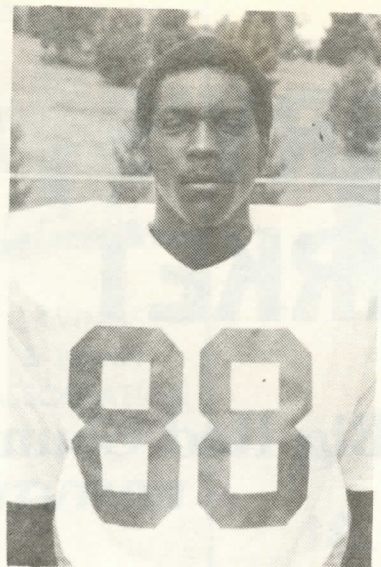
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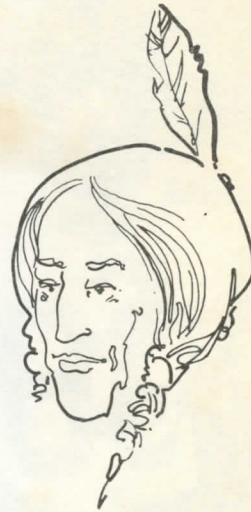
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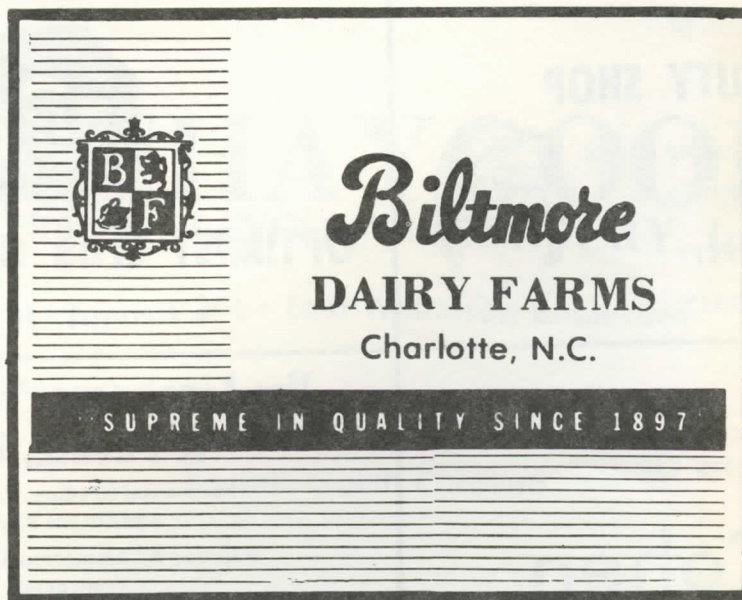
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22	Calvin Reeves	HB	125	4
23	Dennis Isles	HB	165	3
24	David Peche	HB	140	3
40	Steve Davis	HB	170	3
30	Gary Elrod	FB	160	3
32	Fernandez Grier	FB	190	2
43	Randy Moss	HB	140	4
44	Mitch Painter	FB-HB	170	3
50	Tim Wolfe	C	155	2
51	Scott McClellan	C	185	3
52	Johnny Fitch	C	180	2
53	Roger Patterson	C	185	3
60	Steve Ivester	G	175	2
61	Randy Drennan	G	170	4
62	Scott Richards	G	180	4
63	Kenny Champion	G	170	3
64	Jeff Isenhour	G	170	2
66	Randall Morris	G	185	2
68	Jimmy Saunders	G	160	2
70	Rodney Phillips	T	190	4
71	Chris Gibson	T	180	2
72	Troy Leeper	T	210	2
73	Daryl Russell	T	195	2
75	Ken Smith	T	225	4
77	Scott Mathison	T	230	2
80	James Wofford	SE	140	3
81	Rudy Stowe	TE	175	2
82	Karl Witzke	TE	200	4
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12	Alan Stroud	B	150	3
5	Gregg Dewberry	B	160	2
35	Chuck McSwain	B	160	2
26	Cedric Phillips	B	135	2
51	Mitchell Owens	C	170	3
50	Ricky Radford	C	165	3
52	Kenny Hines	C	190	2
62	Larry Greene	G	175	4
66	Tim Hall	G	185	4
63	Hal Harris	G	135	4
65	Jim Putnam	G	160	4
60	Kenneth Gregory	G	170	3
64	Merv Hawkins	G	177	2
67	Ricky Hardin	G	175	2
61	Ryan Wilson	G	165	2
74	James Robbins	T	185	4
72	John Robbins	T	170	4
70	Frank Hutchins	T	190	3
71	Gary Ruppe	T	235	3
77	Kenny Barker	T	195	2
80	Tim Greene	E	170	4
44	Richard Davis	E	160	4
88	Tim Scism	E	160	3
24	Derrick Harris	E	155	3
42	Randy Phillips	E	180	3
1	Swayne Williams	E	145	3
10	Bart Greene	E	130	2
83	Chris Spencer	E	150	2

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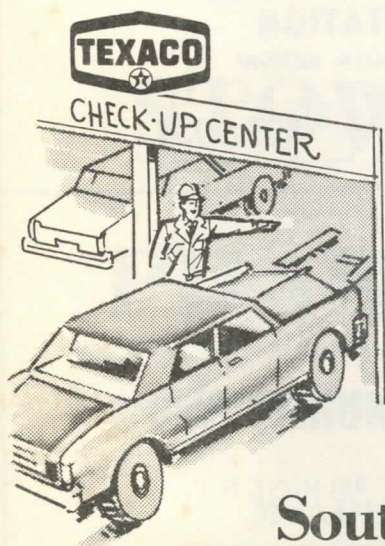
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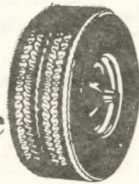


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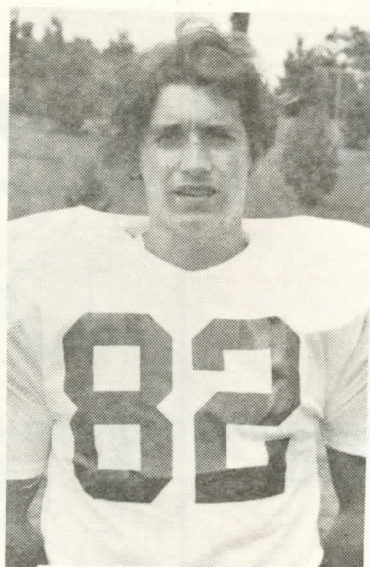
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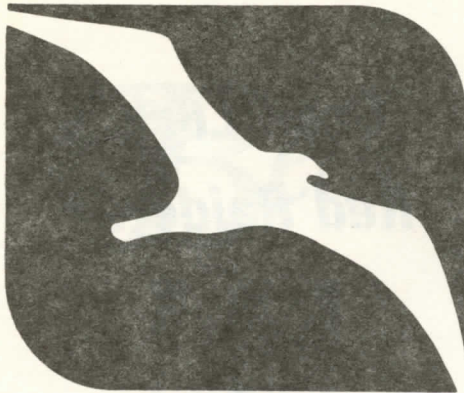
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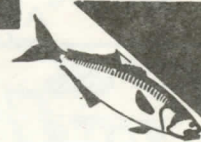
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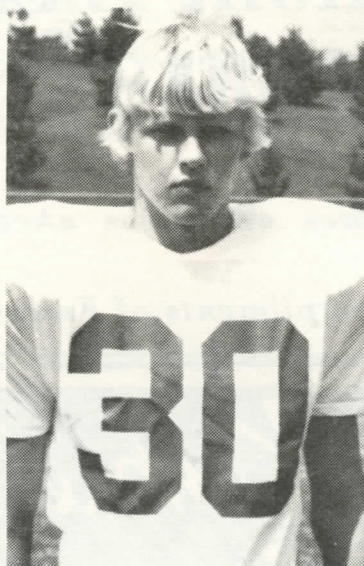
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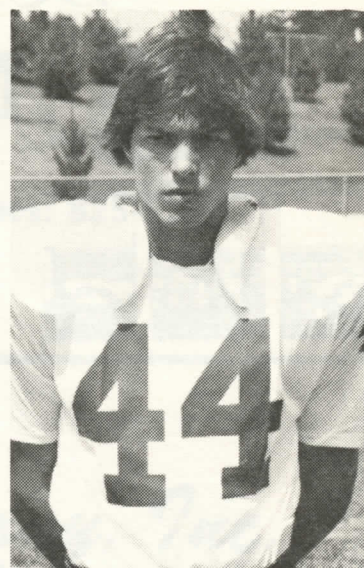




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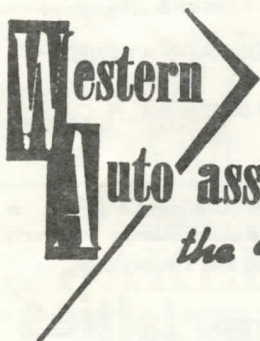


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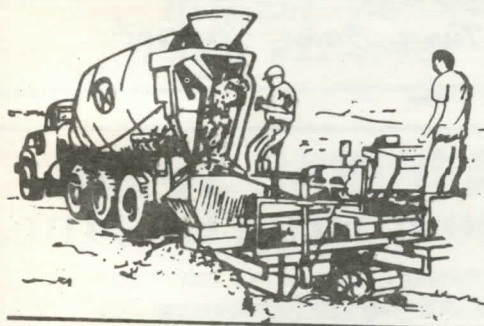
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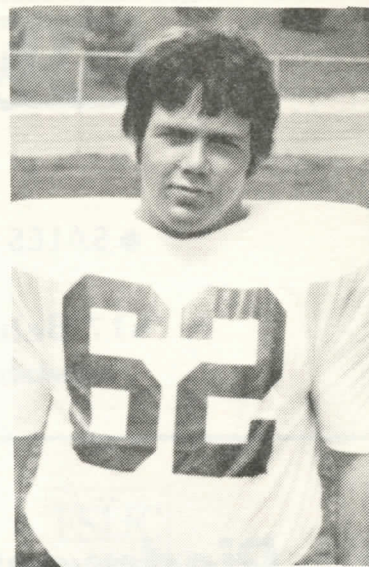




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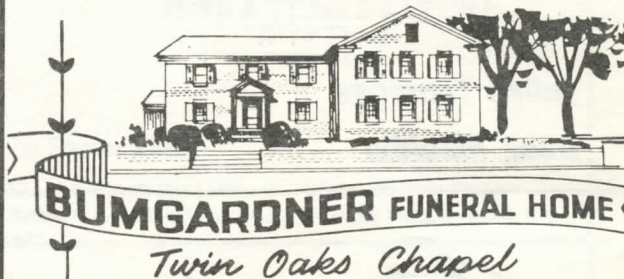


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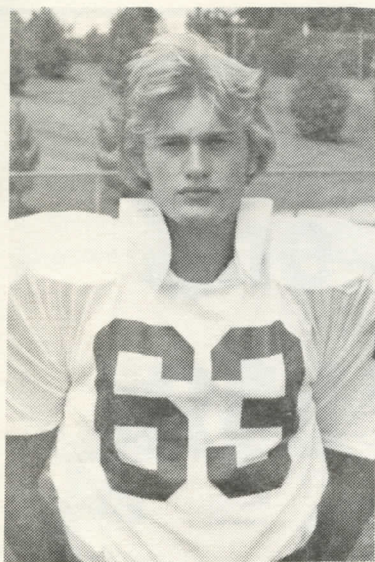
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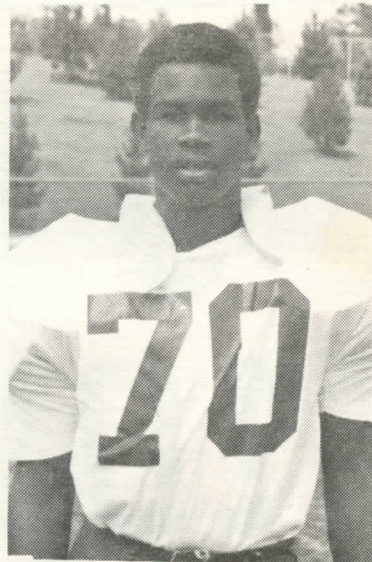




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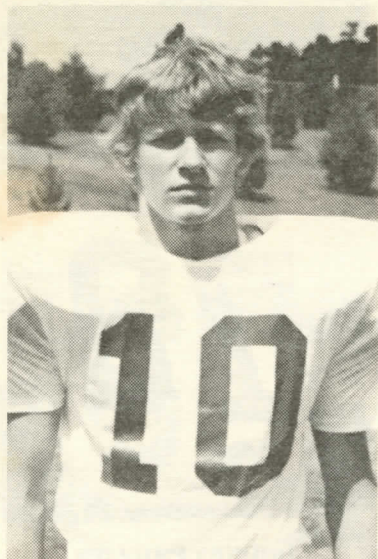
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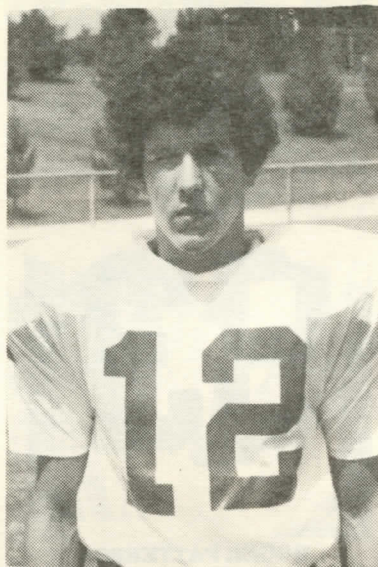
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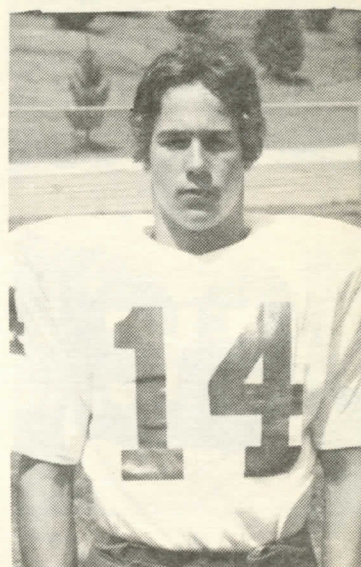




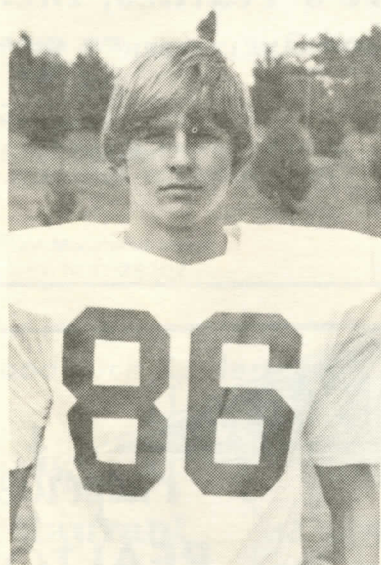
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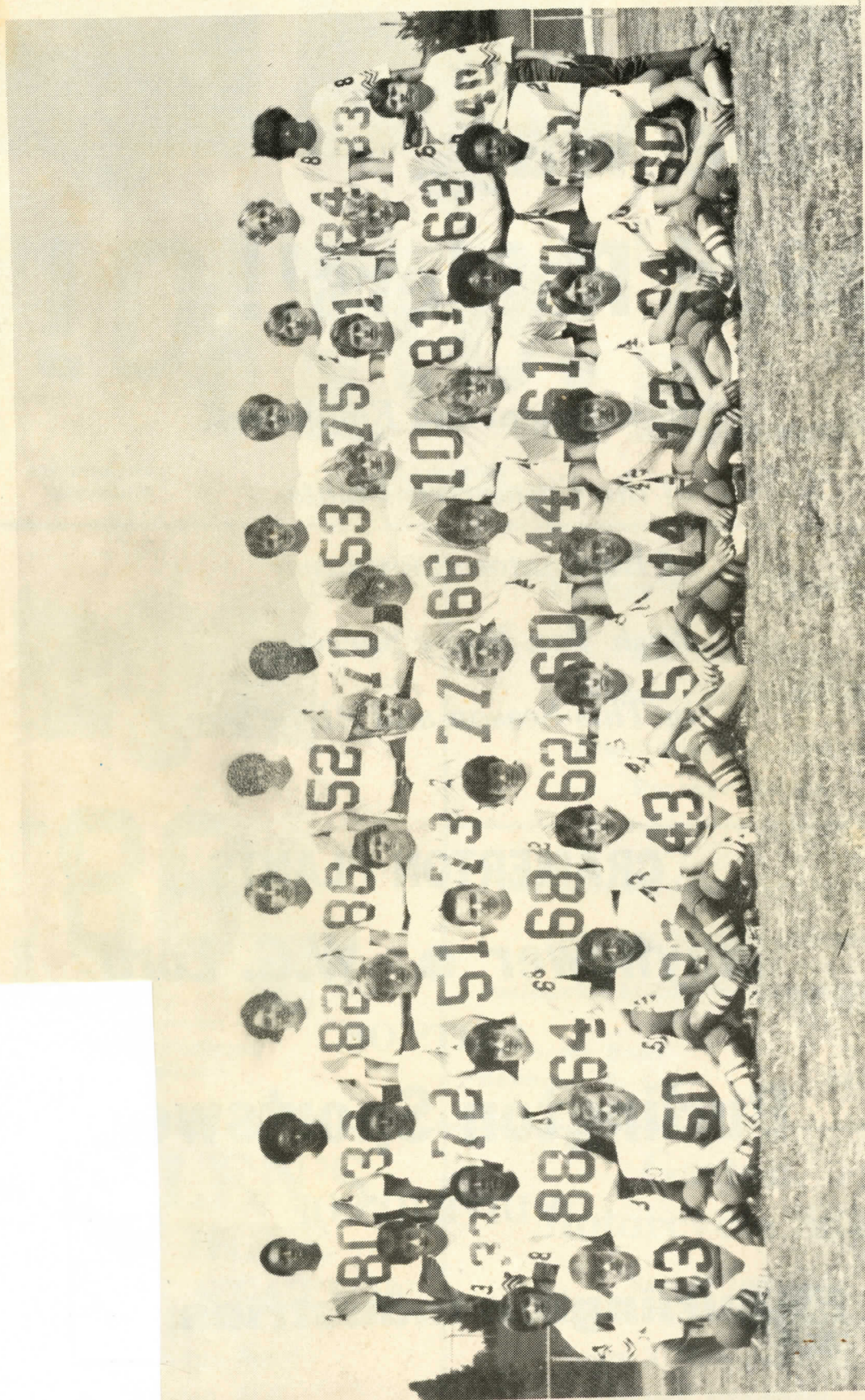
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