

Mike Ledford

Mike is a 1959 graduate of Carlisle High School where he served as class president and was a member of the National Honor Society. His Carlisle athletic background provided him with a professional life of being directly involved with athletics. He was a multiple sport athlete who received 10 varsity letters in the sports of football, basketball, track and baseball. In football, Mike played in Carlisle's very first football game in October 1956. He was a 3 year letterman. As the quarterback he completed the first touchdown pass in the history of Carlisle football....that was over 58 years ago! During his basketball career he played on 2 Warren County League and Tournament Championship teams. He lettered 3 years in basketball on teams that won over 50 games where he made "All County First Team" his senior year. While part of the track program he advanced to the state tournament and competed in the pole vault.

After high school Mike received an academic scholarship to The Ohio State University and played freshman basketball. After graduation from Ohio State he returned home to Carlisle High School where he taught Biology and started his coaching career. He coached football, basketball and track for the Indians. He finished his coaching career at Division I Dayton Belmont coaching basketball and golf.

Mike was a member of the Miami University summer basketball staff and coached basketball at the university's summer camps. As a voting member of the United Press International, he was involved in the selection of "All State" basketball players. Mike was a recipient of an award given by the Ohio Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame.