

## ALLEN STEPHENSON

**A** LLEN GRADUATED FROM T.W. MARTIN HIGH SCHOOL IN 1960, WHERE HE PLAYED

basketball, football and baseball. He intercepted 17 passes his senior year in football. He was twice selected as a member of the Walker County All-County basketball team and was an All-District player in basketball. After he graduated from Martin High School, he signed to play basketball at Walker Jr. College under legendary Coach Glen Clem, Sr. After a successful 2 years at Walker, he signed to play baseball with Jacksonville State College. Allen received his Bachelor's Degree in 1965 and went on to the University of Alabama to receive his Master's Degree. During this same time period, he played 5 years of BABF baseball with Cordova and Gorgas.



Allen was an educator in Alabama for 37 years spending those years at Jacksonville, Curry and Addison High Schools. He served as head football coach at Addison High School for 17 years where he established a record of 131 wins with only 62 loses. In 1976, his Addison team won the 1A Alabama State Championship with a perfect 14-0 record. He then coached the 1977 Alabama All-Star football game. During his time at Addison, he was also the head coach of the basketball team for 10 years. His 1971-72 basketball team had a 25-5 record and finished 4th in the Alabama State Tournament. This was the only Addison team to ever play in the state tournament.

Allen has received many awards and honors over his coaching career. Here is a list of some of those: 1.) Won 7 regional titles in football 2.) 10 state play-off appearances in football 3.) Coached the Alabama All-Star football game 4.) Undefeated football team 5.) Over 20 win basketball team 6.) President of Alabama Coaches Association 7.) Member of the Martin Student Hall-of-Fame 8.) Member of the Alabama High School Athletic Association Hall-of-Fame 9.) Member of the Winston County Sports Hall-of-Fame.

Allen has been married to the former Anita McAlpine for 47 years and they have two sons: Alex (Valeria) and Adam Stephenson and two grandchildren: Brooks and Ella Grace Stephenson.