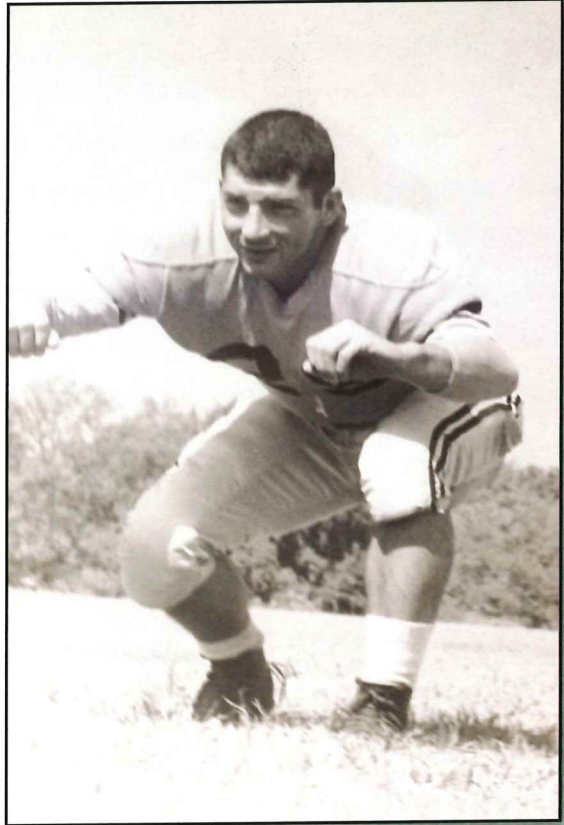


## DR. JOHN CRUMP

**J**OHN CRUMP WAS BORN MARCH 7, 1936, TO RAYMOND AND CARRIE CRUMP IN JASPER. JOHN WAS

an outstanding student, as well as, a star athlete for the Walker County Vikings. He lettered 3 years in football and 2 years in basketball and track. He led the 1953 Vikings to a 8-2 record in his senior year in football (in the always tough Tennessee Valley Conference). He played on the 1952-53 basketball team that won 20 games and lost only 3. This same Viking basketball team finished in 3rd place in the District Tournament and qualified to compete in the State Tournament.

After graduating with top academic honors, he continued his football career at Florence State College (now the University of North Alabama) where he was an outstanding guard for Head Coach Hal Self. During his three years as a starter at Florence State, they never lost to another school from Alabama.



Upon receiving his Bachelors Degree, he returned to Jasper in 1958 to help coach his Alma Mater under the legendary D. Joe Gambrell. John coached both football and basketball for 2 years. He helped Jack Caldwell coach the 1958-59 basketball Vikings to a 26-16 record and reached the finals of the TVC Tournament.

At the end of the 1960-61 school year, John decided to enter Dental School at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. After receiving his Doctorate Degree, he joined the United States Air Force, serving 2 years before returning to Jasper, where for the next 35 years he practiced dentistry. Both John and his son Dr. "Bubba" Crump were honored to be chosen as 2 of the best 100 football players in the history of Walker High School (Team of the Century), and both have been inducted into the Walker High School Sports Hall-of-Fame.

John is married to the former Sylvia Shumaker and has the following children: Bubba, Terri, Leigh Ann and step-son Nolan Sparks.