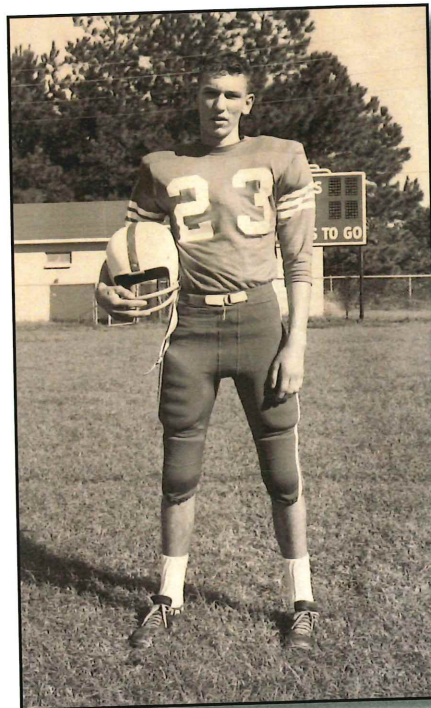


## JERRY WAYNE CHAPPELL

**JERRY WAYNE CHAPPELL WAS BORN IN 1948 IN THE SMALL TUTWILER COMMUNITY OF OAKMAN, ALABAMA, TO**

parents Bonnie and Alma Chappell. Growing up, Chappell had no facilities due to living out in the country, so everyone just played outside. Jerry Wayne loved playing football, basketball and baseball with the neighborhood kids.

When Chappell began school at T.W. Martin, they had organized sports and good facilities to continue playing the sports he had grown to love. He started team sports when he entered the seventh grade in junior high. He played football, basketball and baseball for the next six years until he graduated in 1967. While playing at Martin, Jerry Wayne received numerous honors in sports. He was a running back and linebacker in football. In football, Chappell was All Conference in 1964, 1965, and 1966 in the Wal-Win Conference. He was All Walker County in 1966 and was Honorable Mention All-State in the Birmingham News and Birmingham Post Herald. In football, he played with other outstanding players like Steve Ferguson, Jerry Wayne Sanford, Jimmy Wright, and Red Morrow.



In basketball, Jerry Wayne was All Conference Wal-Win in 1966. Chappell was All Walker County as a guard on the 1966-67 team that was the Area Champion and finished the season with a 24-7 record. A highlight to his career at Martin was defeating Walker. He shared the court with other players, such as, L.J. Fondren and Harry Copeland.

Chappell credits his mom and dad, as well as Coaches Wallace Reid, Hub Dotson and Eddy Bruce Handley for having a huge positive impact on him during his time of participation in sports at T.W. Martin. His mom always encouraged his participation in each sport and provided transportation to all the school sports events. His mom continued to support him during his coaching career as one of his most loyal fans. As a seventh grader, Chappell was encouraged to be the best he could be by Coach Handley. Handley remained supportive of Chappell throughout his high school career and they were good friends.

After graduation, Chappell attended Walker College, the University of Alabama, and received a Master's Degree in School Administration from UAB Birmingham. After graduation from college, Jerry Wayne coached basketball at Dora High School in 1972 where his team was area champions. He then finished his coaching career at Cordova High School. Jerry left education to work for Nelson Brothers and Boren as the salesman for Industrial Explosives where he worked until retirement.

Jerry is married to Diane Medders Chappell and has two stepsons, Reggie and Rodney Naramore. They have 4 grandkids, Hudson Naramore, Mason Naramore, Dani Kate Naramore, and Lee Ann Collette. They have two great grandchildren, Rosalyn and Lila Collette. Jerry and Diane enjoy gardening, going out to eat, their grandkids, and attending all University of Alabama home football games and watching the Tide on T.V. In his spare time, he enjoys crappie fishing and deer hunting with the kids. Jerry Wayne has indicated that he considers this a true honor and is appreciative of his selection.