

## KENNETH TOWNLEY

**K**ENNETH TOWNLEY WAS BORN IN TOWNLEY, AL ON JUNE 19, 1940. KEN PARTICIPATED IN FOOTBALL,

baseball, and track at Carbon Hill High School. He was a valuable leader his junior and senior year and was selected for the All-County Team in Football in 1958. Ken played a valuable role in the Bulldogs winning the 2A State Championship in 1958.

After graduating from Carbon Hill High School in 1959, Ken accepted a football scholarship from the University of Tennessee. His sophomore year of college, he transferred to the University of North Alabama (previously Florence State College) in Florence, Alabama where he was a three-year letterman in football. During his time at North Alabama, he received the following honors: All Conference Lineman for Alabama Collegiate Conference, Most Valuable Lineman, Most Valuable Player, and selected for 'Team of the Decade.'



After graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Health and Physical Education, Ken signed a pro football contract with the Ottawa Roughriders, but ultimately decided to pursue a coaching career instead. His impressive high school coaching career expanded from 1967 until 2011. Ken became a head football coach for the first time in 1967 at Dora High School.

Throughout his coaching career, he held the following positions: head football coach, golf coach, tennis coach, and athletic director. While Ken has had many notable accomplishments as a coach throughout his career, the most notable may be that under his direction as Athletic Director of New Creation Christian Academy in McDonough, GA, they were Georgia State Champions in football, soccer, and baseball in the Christian League.

Ken briefly left the education field in the late 1970's to open and manage four Waffle House franchises in Louisiana and Texas.

Ken has been happily retired since 2012 and resides in Cumming, GA with his wife Barbara and their dog Rudy. He is a deacon at the First Baptist Church in Dawsonville, GA. Ken now spends his fall months watching the Crimson Tide play on Saturdays and sitting in the bleachers on Friday nights watching his youngest son follow in his footsteps of coaching football.