

WARREN ELAM

Warren Elam is a 1961 graduate of Seven Mile High School. He participated in football, basketball, track & field, and cross country, earning ten varsity letters in three years, one in every sport he participated in during his sophomore, junior and senior years. He was the Butler County champion in cross country during his senior year. He was named 1st team all league his senior year. He excelled in track & field and qualified to state in eight events. He was three-time district champion in long jump and the 440 yard dash. His sophomore year, his 4 X 200 team won state champion and his junior year, his 4 X 400 team earned state runner up. He set the school record in the 220 yard dash and set meet records in the 440 yard dash and long jump at the Butler County meet and Southwestern Ohio Conference League meet. Warren coached 56 seasons of track and cross country at Madison High School.

BECKY FORDYCE

Becky Fordyce was an active Edgewood Athletic Booster member for nearly two decades but it was her vision of creating the Edgewood Craft Show that has allowed the boosters to build it into their most profitable annual fundraiser and one of the largest craft events in the region. Even though she was never an officer of the organization, it was by choice. She preferred to be an active participant, to organize and guide workers to ensure that the most profit was being realized for Edgewood student athletes. Becky operated and owned a dog grooming business and purchased ads in yearbooks and sports programs, always doing her part to help. Becky passed in February 2010 from an extended illness with cancer. Still, she worked the last two craft shows knowing she was ill and going through treatments, never letting it slow her down and never complaining. Always an Edgewood supporter, her legacy will live on through what she began with the Edgewood Craft Show.

HENDERSON GORDON

Henderson 'Gordy' Gordon is a 1986 graduate of Edgewood High School where he was a standout wrestler. He was runner up in the MML his freshman and sophomore years and won the league his junior and senior years where he was also named MVP both years. He was a two-time Edgewood Invitational winner and won the MVP at that tournament his senior year. He was a two-time state qualifier. He finished his wrestling career with a record of 102-17. After graduation, he entered the Marine Corp and attended aviation school. He served as a Marine drill instructor and close combat instructor at Parris Island in South Carolina. He served in Desert Storm and has now retired after 12 years of service. He now owns two personal training companies and participates in body building competitions where he was the nationals and earned his IFBB Pro Card in 2006.

NICK RICKE

Nick Ricke was a 1979 graduate of Edgewood High School participating in football, basketball, and track & field all four years of high school. He received a Varsity letter in all three sports during his sophomore, junior, and senior years. In football, he was named captain and MVP in 1979, 1st team MML, and 1st team all district. He was also named captain in basketball. In track & field, he was named 1st team MML, and earned district champion in the long jump and pole vault events. He was a state finalist in both long jump and pole vault in 1978 and still holds the pole vault record for Edgewood. Nick went on to attend the University of Dayton where he was a four-year letterman in football. He and his teammates were Division III National Champions in 1980 and Runners Up in 1981. Nick graduated with a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Dayton in 1983.

NATE THOMAS

Nate Thomas was a 2008 graduate of Edgewood High School participating in both football and basketball, earning his Varsity letter in both sports as a sophomore, junior and senior. He had 12 career interceptions in football which is the school record. He was named 2nd team all state, 1st team all district, 1st team all Journal News, 1st team all league and 1st team in Butler County all as a junior. In basketball, he was a member of the 2006-2007 league championship team. He finished his career in the top three for game, season and career assist, steals and three point field goal percentage. He was first team all league and honorable mention all district his junior and senior year. Nate went on to Brown University where he was a member of the 2009 Ivy League Champion football team. He earned his bachelor's degree from Brown University. After Brown he was accepted into Lincoln Memorial University medical school where he earned his medical doctor degree in 2017. He currently resides in Long Island, New York where he is completing his residency at Mercy Health Systems.