

DAVE WHIPPLE

Football, Basketball, Track ~ Class of 1971



Whipple's sports career at College Park started with his frosh year playing football, basketball and track and winning a DVAL title in basketball. As a sophomore, David was captain of his Junior Varsity basketball team and once again his team was crowned league champs. Whipple co-captained the Track and Field team as a junior but saved the best for last. In his senior year and after playing all 3 sports for four years, Whipple was awarded All-DVAL as a defensive end and selection as Most Valuable Lineman. He was a starter for Hall of Fame Coach Al Hurtado's basketball team and was All-League in shotput and discus for the track team, setting numerous records in the process for coaches Jim Costa and Bill Daniels. David was selected Most Courageous Athlete by Fitzpatrick Chevrolet Super Sport Award his senior year.

Whipple along with friends and teammates, Carl June and Norm White, were nominated and appointed, to the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, where he competed in football and track for an additional 2 years. Once commissioned, David continued to compete in soccer, rugby, racquetball, basketball and track and field.

Whipple lives in Eugene, Oregon with his wife of 36 years, Leslie. They have four daughters, three sons and eight grandchildren.

We are honored to welcome David E. Whipple into the 2015 class of College Park's Hall of Fame.

"Dave was a fine athlete who combined strength with athleticism. Competitor with great attitude and effort and was a pleasure to coach,"

quote by Al Hurtado Hall of Fame Football & Basketball Coach
