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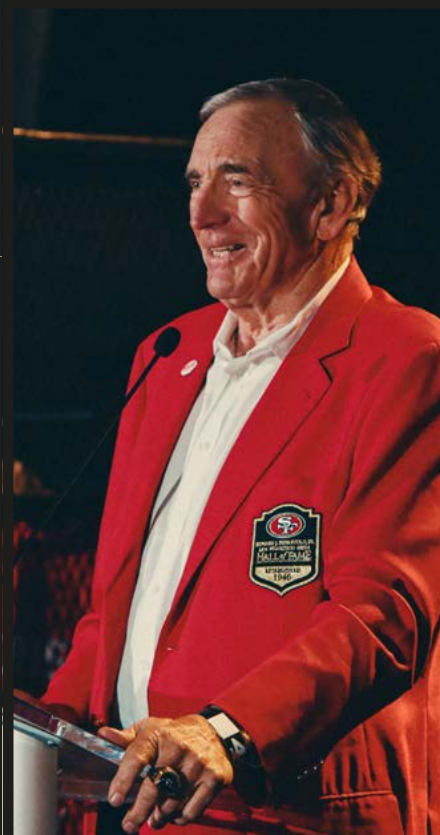
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# 2020 49ERS SCHEDULE

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# LETTER FROM THE GM



## Dear 49ers Alumni,

On behalf of the entire 49ers organization, I would like to extend our best wishes to you and your families in hopes that you are staying safe and healthy during these unprecedented times. To those of you that are in the medical field or have loved ones that are essential workers fighting the terrible virus our world is facing, thank you for your sacrifices and commitment.

In light of the social unrest our country has experienced, our communities have demanded both justice and progress. The 49ers organization has a longstanding history in supporting social justice issues and I am especially proud of how the 49ers family has come together to influence positive change in recent months. Our ownership continues to lead the charge among NFL teams providing both financial support and specialized programs to social justice initiatives, while our players created and produced a video series, "Subject to Change," to address issues related to race, sports, culture and community. As we continue to look for more ways to influence progress, I invite our alumni to share your thoughts and suggestions with our team.

Despite the circumstances of working remotely these last five months, I am extremely proud of the accomplishments of our team during the 2020 offseason. From navigating free agency to conducting a completely virtual NFL Draft from our homes, I truly believe our coaches, personnel staff and football operations did a tremendous job to ensure that we do not fall behind in our quest to get better than the year prior. We were still able to conduct our offseason program by video conference, and our coaches felt they were able to teach the players the game at a deeper level. The best coaches are great teachers and these conditions allowed our staff to demonstrate the level of their talents. Additionally, we are confident the professionalism and commitment of our players toward getting better this offseason will be evident when the season gets underway.

As General Manager, it is evident to me that this franchise is well equipped to compete for championships well into the future. It is incumbent upon us to find a way to be better than last year, and we're looking forward to the opportunity to do that. While the 2020 season may have new challenges and protocols, the health and safety of our players and staff is of the utmost importance. We will continue to follow national, local and NFL guidelines to ensure that the 49ers are able to put the best team on the field every week. The 2020 Alumni Magazine once again gives you an inside look into the lives of friends and former teammates that you may otherwise not have the chance to see. The magazine also congratulates Bryant Young, who will become the 29th inductee into the Edward J. DeBartolo Sr. San Francisco 49ers Hall of Fame. Thank you all again for continuing to show what it means to be associated with the red and gold.

***Stay safe, and GO NINERS!***



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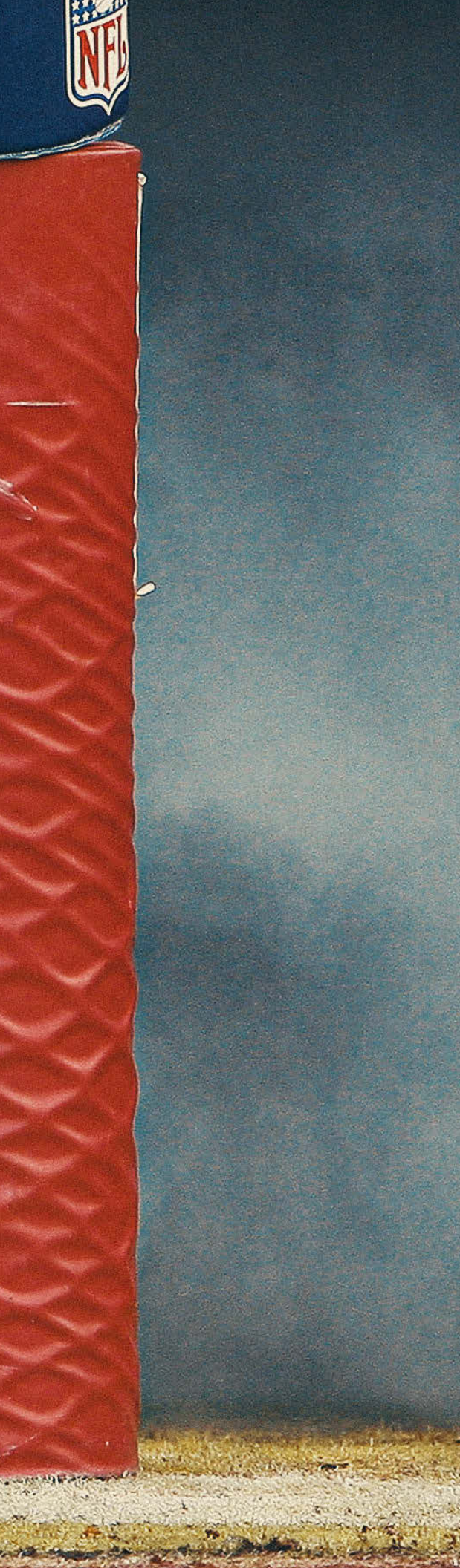
# COURAGE & INSPIRATION

BY MATT MAIOCCO



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### ***His rookie season concluded with a Super Bowl victory.***

He was carried off the field on the shoulders of his teammates after playing his final game in the NFL.

From start to finish of his remarkable 14-year professional football career, defensive tackle Bryant Young distinguished himself as one of the most consistent, classy, respected, courageous and inspirational players in San Francisco 49ers history.

“Courageous” and “inspirational” are the two adjectives most closely associated with Young.

The Len Eshmont Award is the San Francisco 49ers’ most prestigious team honor. It is presented to the player deemed the most courageous and inspirational by his teammates. Young won a record eight Eshmont Awards in his career. Nobody else in club history has won the honor more than twice.

This year, Young receives one more well-deserved recognition from his career, which spanned from 1994 through 2007, with his induction as the 29th member of the Edward J. DeBartolo Sr. 49ers Hall of Fame.

The honor caps a year in which Young was selected as a Pro Football Hall of Fame finalist, as well as an inductee into the Bay Area Sports Hall of Fame.

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## **I WAS ONE OF THE BLESSED ONES, ONE OF THE LUCKY ONES, TO BE ABLE TO START & FINISH MY WHOLE CAREER IN ONE PLACE.**

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“I was one of the blessed ones, one of the lucky ones, to be able to start and finish my whole career in one place,” Young said. “I took great pride in that. They were interested in having me be part of the organization for so long, and I wanted to be there. So it was a good marriage.”

Young started all 208 games in which he played with the 49ers. He was an instant starter as a rookie in 1994 and made an immediate impact on a team that blew through

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the NFC that season and thrashed the San Diego Chargers, 49-26, to win Super Bowl XXIX.

The 49ers' run defense ranked 16th in the NFL the season before the 49ers selected Young with the No. 7 overall pick out of Notre Dame. With his insertion into the lineup, the 49ers' run defense was second in the league in 1994. Twice over the next three seasons, the 49ers owned the league's top-ranked run defense.

"When you're a great defensive lineman in the NFL, you're either really good at stopping the run or stopping the pass," said former guard Kevin Gogan, who played against the 49ers while with the rival Dallas Cowboys before becoming a teammate of Young's in 1996 and '97.

"B.Y. was equally as good doing both as anyone I have ever seen. I played 14 years and I've seen a lot of guys. He had a

motor like a John Randle, but he had 300 pounds to go with it. You could push John Randle all over the field on a run, but he was hell on wheels on a pass. B.Y. was tough on both."

Young was rarely left in one-on-one situations against offensive linemen, whether it was a run play or a pass. Young was better against the run than Randle and Warren Sapp, both Hall of Famers, while also being a terror on passing downs. Young holds the all-time 49ers record with 89.5 sacks. He also registered 93 tackles for loss.

Young was soft-spoken and did nothing to draw attention to himself on or off the field. After registering another sack or making a stop behind the line of scrimmage, he bounced to his feet and returned to the defensive huddle to get ready for the next play.

The most-telling indicator of Young's stature in the game





is easily identified by what those against whom he played remember.

“The stuff I would notice is when the game plan had to change, and that would have to happen for Ray Lewis, for Michael Strahan, and that would happen for Bryant Young,” former Seattle quarterback Matt Hasselbeck said. “The respect factor from the guys who know, the guys who played against him, is probably the biggest thing.

“If you were to ask every offensive lineman in that division in his heyday who was your toughest competitor, I would be shocked if individually they all didn’t say Bryant Young. I know my guys in Seattle would say ‘B.Y.’ And they wouldn’t hesitate. They would not hesitate.”

During a period of years in Young’s career, the 49ers’ top conference rival was the Green Bay Packers. Mike Holmgren’s team made sure to never leave one of their offensive linemen exposed in a one-on-one situation against him.

“I played against Bryant many times during regular season and playoff games, and he was the focal point for the offensive line every time we played them,” former Packers center Frank Winters said. “He was a dominant force and for us to control the line of scrimmage and win to go onto the next round, you had to take care of him up front.

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## HE WAS A DOMINANT FORCE.

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“I was glad that every time we blocked him, we had a two-on situation. He was a guy who demanded that kind of attention. He was a physical force. He was as good as a run stopper as he was a pass rusher. He had a unique combination of strength and leverage.”

Former linebacker Gary Plummer played the final four seasons of his 12-year NFL career with the 49ers. He said he realized every time he was on the field that Young was an extraordinary player. But, a day later, when he watched the film, he gained a better understanding of how thoroughly Young dominated the action at the line of scrimmage.

“You can feel and know that he’s doing a great job during a game, but you don’t see it,” Plummer said. “You get to see

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it the next day and what you see amazes everyone in the room, because this guy is not just taking on blockers, he's rag-dolling 300-pound men. It was absolutely astonishing to watch game tape and see it.

"The year that Dana Stubblefield was the defensive MVP of the League (1997), I don't want to take anything away from Dana because he had a great year, but Bryant Young deserved about 50 percent of the credit for that. It's no joke. The reason Stubblefield had such a great year was because he was one-on-one, and you're expected to win one-on-one. B.Y. was getting double-teamed on every down. I have so much respect for that guy. There wasn't an area of his game that he wasn't the best at."

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## THERE WASN'T AN AREA OF HIS GAME THAT HE WASN'T THE BEST AT.

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Young was a four-time Pro Bowl selection who was certainly deserving of more appearances in the NFL's all-star game. He was on his way to a Pro Bowl selection and, possibly, All-Pro honors in 1998 with 9.5 sacks in 12 games.

But on a Monday night game against the New York Giants at Candlestick Park, Young sustained a gruesome fracture when teammate Ken Norton Jr.'s helmet crashed into his right lower leg. Young sustained breaks to the tibia and fibula. A titanium rod was inserted into his tibia the following afternoon.

Young experienced setbacks in his recovery that seemingly placed his 1999 comeback in doubt. More than two decades later, he looks back and gives credit to the 49ers' medical, athletic training and strength and conditioning staffs for assisting him along his journey to play every game the season after his horrific injury.

"I had to do my part," Young said. "It took a lot of effort. There were days when it didn't seem like things were getting better and there was definitely a threat of not coming back. But by the grace of God, he allowed me to heal slowly and I could see the light at the end of the tunnel and things began to get better."

Against great odds, Young was back on the field for the 49ers' season-opener the next season at Jacksonville. He started every game, but admittedly did not feel as if he was all the way back until the second half of the season. Young recorded just one sack in the 49ers' first six games.

"The first half of the season, I was still a little ginger but I was fighting through it, and coming up with the psychological part of it," he said. "In the second half of the season, I started feeling like myself and everything. My confidence was there physically and mentally. And it was business as usual from that point on.

"It took a lot to come back from that injury. The biggest part was the mental hurdle that I had to overcome. Physically, I knew it was going to take some effort and a lot of energy and grit to come back. But from a mental standpoint, that was a biggest hurdle I had to overcome."



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Young finished the season with 11.0 sacks and was named NFL Comeback Player of the Year.

“He played with a (expletive) rod in his leg, and he was still the best player on the field,” Gogan said. “It’s truly unbelievable.”

Young saw it all during his time with the 49ers. He provided a missing piece for the organization to get over the top in his first NFL season. Then, he endured some difficult seasons after Steve Young was knocked out early in the 1999 season with a concussion and never played again.

In 2001, then-general manager Bill Walsh had a decision to make with Young, who would have been highly coveted around the NFL. Even though the 49ers were in rebuilding mode and Walsh had a penchant for making difficult decisions with veteran players, he did not even think about carrying forward without Young on the team.

Walsh said it would not be fair to all the other players – the younger players on the 49ers – to field a team that did not include a player and person of Young’s stature. The 49ers signed Young to a final six-year contract, which he fulfilled through his final season in 2007.

“There’s a lot to be said when you have guys who have been there and know how to win, that know how to be a professional, that know how to be involved in the community,” Young said. “I think it’s important.”

Young played for head coaches George Seifert, Steve Mariucci, Dennis Erickson and Mike Nolan during his career. Each coach, every coaching staff, leaned on Young to show the way. Young’s style of leadership was based on his actions and the examples he set.

Young never thought he should be given anything, either. He was determined to earn respect every time he stepped into meetings, the weight room or onto the field.

After Nolan was hired before Young’s 12th NFL season, Young set out to prove himself to long-time strength and conditioning coach Johnny Parker, who was part of Bill Parcells’ staffs with the Giants and New England Patriots.

“Johnny was real gritty and tough and was really knowledgeable about his profession,” Young said. “For me, it was a new lease and outlook on my career and life, and I was trying to impress the coaches and earn a spot on the team.

“And Johnny always stressed to us about getting better and



staying gritty and making every rep count. Finally, I said, ‘Coach Parker, how do you expect us to get better and stronger if we only have 150-pound dumbbells?’”

A week or two later, Young arrived in the 49ers’ weight room to find sets of the 200-pound dumbbells he had requested.

“When they finally came,” Young recalled, “I said, ‘Now, we can get better.’”

Young was always trying to get better. When he opted to step away from the game, he was still considered one of the better players in the league. He never took any short cuts to get there. And he did not cut corners to remain among the elite.

Even in his later seasons when it became a common practice for older players to get periodic rests in training camp or during the regular season, Young insisted on taking part in all the workouts with his teammates. He felt a responsibility to act a certain way and provide lessons that would be remembered long after his playing days were over.

“I felt like I didn’t want to cheat my teammates,” Young said.

***His actions still speak loudly after all these years.***





# 49ERS REMEMBERED



**CAS  
BANASZEK**

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Former San Francisco 49ers tackle Cas Banaszek passed away on December 4, 2019, at the age of 74. Banaszek was originally selected by San Francisco in the first round (11th overall) of the 1967 NFL Draft. He spent his entire 11-year career with the 49ers (1967-77), appearing in 120 games (112 starts). Banaszek, a Second-Team All-Pro selection in 1968, is also a member of the 10-Year Club, which honors all players who spent 10-or-more years with the 49ers, and is one of 51 players who have joined this exclusive fraternity. Following his playing career, Banaszek spent one season (1981) as an assistant offensive line coach for the 49ers and was part of the Super Bowl XVI Championship team.



**CHRIS  
DOLEMAN**

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Pro Football Hall of Fame defensive end Chris Doleman, who spent three of his 15 NFL seasons with the 49ers (1996-98), died on January 28, 2020, at the age of 58. Doleman, an Indianapolis native who played collegiately at Pittsburgh, was drafted by the Minnesota Vikings with the fourth overall pick in the 1985 NFL Draft. He spent nine seasons with the Vikings, collecting a league-high 21.0 sacks in 1989. Doleman also played two seasons (1994-95) for the Atlanta Falcons and then three seasons with the 49ers before returning to Minnesota to finish his career in 1999. Doleman registered 38.0 sacks during his time with the 49ers. Inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 2012, Doleman's 150.5 sacks are the fifth-most in NFL history, since sacks became an official statistic in 1982.



**AL  
EVEREST**

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Former 49ers special teams coordinator, Al Everest passed away in November of 2019. He spent 15 seasons coaching in the NFL with the Arizona Cardinals (1996-99), the New Orleans Saints (2000-05), 49ers (2007-09) and the Pittsburgh Steelers (2010-11). In 2007, Everest earned Special Teams Coach of the Year honors from the Aguilar Kicking Academy. In 2002, Everest was named NFL Special Teams Coach of the Year after the Saints special teams units had three touchdown returns and blocked five kicks during the season. Everest spent a large part of his young life living in Palo Alto, CA, the home of Stanford University. His family moved to the area after his father, Andy, took a coaching position at Stanford under Jack Curtis (1958-62) and later assisted 49ers Hall of Fame Head Coach Bill Walsh with the Cardinal freshman team.





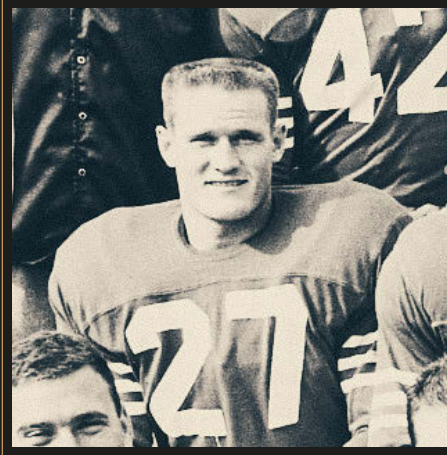
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**JESSE  
FREITAS SR.**

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A member of the inaugural San Francisco 49ers squad and longtime football coach at Serra High in San Mateo, Jesse Freitas Sr. died on May 18, 2020 at his home in San Diego at the age of 99. He attended Santa Clara University where he played quarterback and defensive back under future San Francisco 49ers head coach Lawrence "Buck" Shaw. After a successful collegiate career, Freitas joined the U.S. Army and earned a Bronze Star during World War II and commanded an artillery unit at the Battle of the Bulge. Following his time with the U.S. Army, Freitas became a member of the 1946 inaugural 49ers team. He spent two seasons with San Francisco (1946-47) before also playing for the Chicago Rockets and the Buffalo Bills. Following his playing career, Freitas was named head football coach at Serra High School in 1950 and, over 17 seasons, amassed a 102-49-3 record. During his coaching career, his team's claimed seven league titles, including three in the West Catholic Athletic League. Serra High School aptly named its football field "Jesse Freitas Field" in his honor. Freitas Sr. was also inducted into the San Mateo County Sports Hall of Fame on May 25, 1995.



**CARROLL  
HARDY**

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Carroll Hardy, who spent one season with the 49ers (1955), passed away on August 9, 2020, at the age of 87. A two-sport star, he spent one year with the San Francisco 49ers where he registered 12 receptions for 338 yards and four touchdowns before transitioning to baseball where he played for the Cleveland Indians (1958-60), Boston Red Sox (1960-62), Houston Colt .45s (1963-64) and Minnesota Twins (1967). Hardy holds the distinction as the only person to ever pinch-hit for Ted Williams. Following his baseball career, he spent over 20 years with the Denver Broncos, serving as coordinator of college scouting, scouting director, director of player personnel and assistant general manager.



**STAN  
HINDMAN**

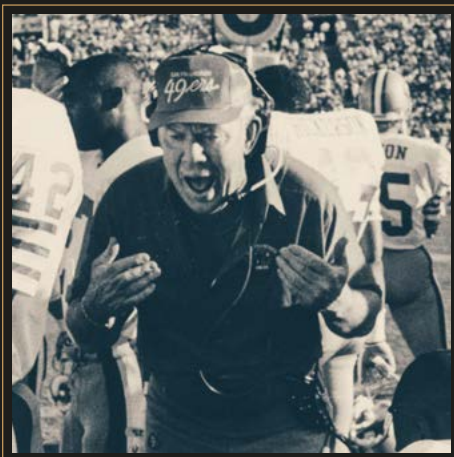
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Stan Hindman, who spent eight years (1966-71, 1973-74) with the San Francisco 49ers, passed away on July 15, 2020 at the age of 76. Hindman, who was originally drafted by the 49ers in the first round (11th overall) of the 1966 NFL Draft, appeared in 76 (45 starts) and registered one interception, which was returned for a touchdown, and two fumble recoveries. He attended the University of Mississippi where played as a two-way lineman and was a three-time, All-SEC guard and a First-Team All-American as a senior, when he was also a co-captain. He is a member of the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame and was selected to the Ole Miss Team of the Century in 1993. Additionally, he is a member of the Ole Miss Athletics Hall of Fame and was honored as an SEC legend in 2014.





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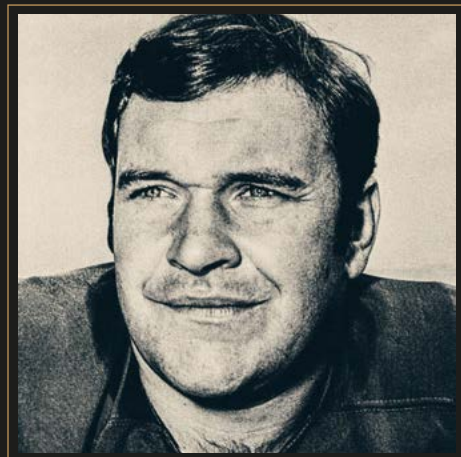
Longtime San Francisco 49ers coach and executive Bill McPherson passed away on Tuesday, March 17, 2020, at the age of 88. One of the most respected teachers in the game at the time, McPherson worked in multiple capacities on the 49ers coaching staff for over 20 years (1979-98), serving as linebackers coach (1979, 1987-88), defensive line coach (1980-86), defensive coordinator (1989-93) and assistant head coach/defensive assistant (1994-98). Hired by Pro Football Hall of Fame coach Bill Walsh in his first season with the team in 1979, McPherson was part of San Francisco's five Super Bowl Championships (XVI, XIX, XXIII, XXIV and XXIX). Following his coaching career, McPherson stayed with the organization in the team's front office, working as the team's director of pro personnel for four seasons (1999-02) and later as a personnel consultant (2003-05). Born October 24, 1931, "Mac" was inducted into Santa Clara's Athletic Hall of Fame as a player and coach (1984) and spent time on the University's Board of Fellows. He is also a member of the San Jose Sports Hall of Fame's class of 2005. McPherson held a business degree from Santa Clara (1954) and a teacher's certification (secondary degree) from San Jose State University (1958).



**DEAN  
MOORE**

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Dean Moore, who selected in the ninth round (233rd overall) of the 1978 NFL Draft by the 49ers, passed away on November 3, 2019. Moore spent one season with the 49ers (1978), appearing in all 16 games and tallying one fumble recovery. He later played the Oakland Invaders of the USFL from 1983-84. Following his playing career, Moore spent a decade as a bank loan officer before founding a janitorial maintenance company with 72 employees across Northern California. He was a professional saxophonist.



**HOWARD  
MUDD**

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Former San Francisco 49ers guard and offensive line coach Howard Mudd passed away on August 12, 2020, at the age of 78. Mudd was originally selected by San Francisco in the ninth round (113th overall) of the 1964 NFL Draft. He went on to appear in 75 games (61 games) for the 49ers and was a two-time First-Team All-Pro (1967-68) and three-time Pro Bowl (1967-69) selection. He also spent time with the Chicago Bears (1969-70). Following his playing career, Mudd entered the coaching ranks, both collegiately and professionally, having served as the 49ers offensive line coach in 1977 in addition to stops with the Philadelphia Eagles, Kansas City Chiefs, Cleveland Browns, Seattle Seahawks, San Diego Chargers and most notably the Indianapolis Colts.





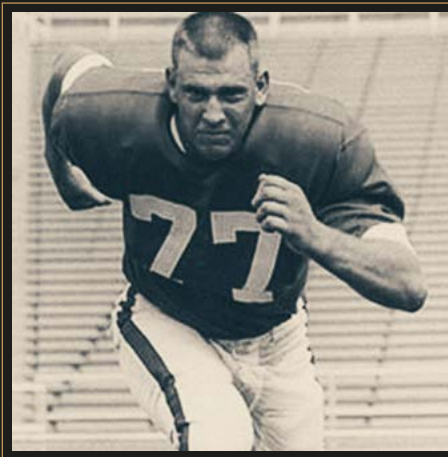
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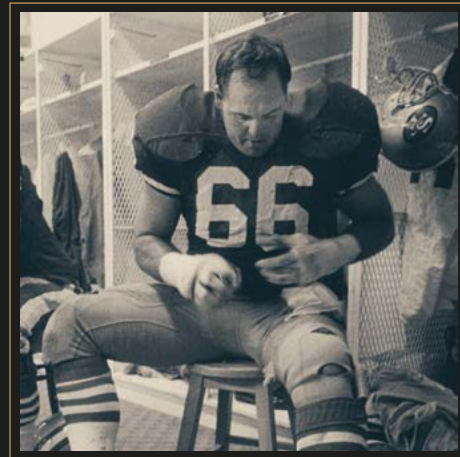
Dave Parks, who was selected with the first overall draft choice by the 49ers in 1964 NFL Draft, passed away at 77 years old on August 8, 2019, at his home in Austin, Texas. A 10-year NFL veteran, Parks is one of three wide receivers to ever be selected with the number one overall draft choice (WR Irving Fryar – 1984; WR Keyshawn Johnson – 1996). He spent four seasons with San Francisco (1964-67) followed by stints with the New Orleans Saints (1968-72) and Houston Oilers (1973). Throughout his four seasons with San Francisco, Parks started all 50 games in which he appeared and registered 208 receptions for 3,334 yards and 27 touchdowns. He was also named First-Team All-Pro in 1965 and was selected to three Pro Bowls (1964-66).



**CHUCK  
SIEMINSKI**

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Chuck Sieminski, who spent three seasons with the 49ers (1963-65), passed away on May 16, 2020, at the age of 80. After graduating from Swoyersville (PA) High School, Sieminski attended Penn State and was a two-time All-East and All-American selection. Sieminski was selected in the fourth round (46th overall) of the 1962 NFL Draft by San Francisco. Over his three seasons with the 49ers, he appeared in 42 games (two starts) and registered one fumble recovery. He was later selected by the Atlanta Falcons in the 1966 expansion draft and was part of the inaugural Falcons team. After spending two seasons with the Falcons (1966-67), he spent one season with the Detroit Lions (1968).



**TERRY  
TAUSCH**

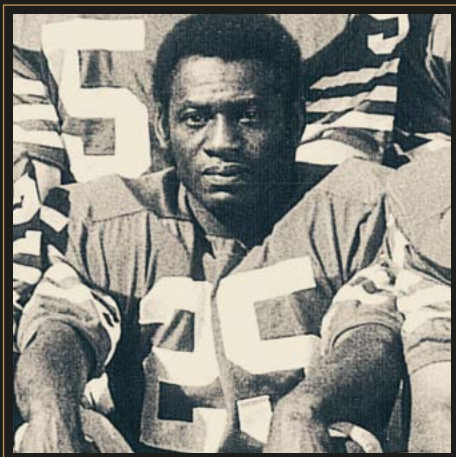
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Terry Tausch, who was drafted by the Minnesota Vikings in the second round (39th overall) of the 1982 NFL Draft, passed away on March 25, 2020, at the age of 61. Tausch played seven seasons with the Vikings (1982-88) before spending one season with San Francisco (1989). In his one season with the 49ers, Tausch appeared in nine games and was a member of the Super Bowl XXIV Championship team. A native of New Braunfels, TX, Tausch was attended the University of Texas and was a four-year letter winner and selected as a First-Team All-America as a senior in 1981. He was inducted into the Texas Athletics Hall of Honor in 2001.





# 49ERS REMEMBERED



**ROOSEVELT  
"ROSEY" TAYLOR**

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Former San Francisco 49ers safety Roosevelt "Rosey" Taylor passed away on May 29, 2020, at the age of 82. Originally an undrafted free agent out of Grambling State in 1961, Roosevelt went on to play 12 NFL seasons (1961-72). He spent nine seasons with the Chicago Bears (1961-69), three seasons with San Francisco (1969-71) and one season with Washington (1972). Over his three years with the 49ers, Taylor played in 34 games (30 starts) and registered eight interceptions and one fumble recovery. Taylor is a member of the Grambling State University Hall of Fame and the Greater New Orleans Sports Hall of Fame.



**DICK  
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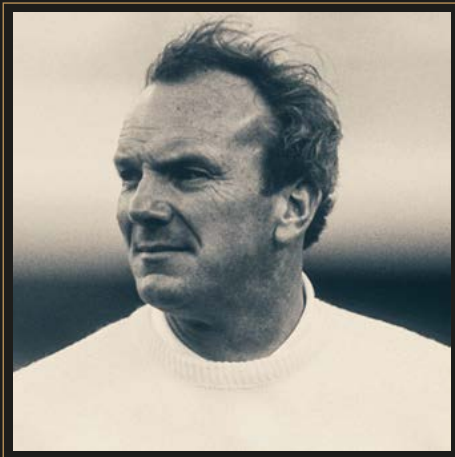
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Former 49ers defensive assistant Dick Tomey passed away on May 10, 2019. He served as a defense assistant with San Francisco in 2003. Tomey also served as the head football coach at the University of Hawaii (1977-86), University of Arizona (1987-2000), and San Jose State University (2005-09), compiling a career college football record of 183-145-7. He also coached in the collegiate ranks at Miami (OH) (1962-63 - graduate assistant/freshman), Northern Illinois (1964 - freshman), Davidson (1965-66 - defensive backs), Kansas (1967-70 - defensive backs), UCLA (1971-73 - offensive line/defensive backs; 1974-75 - defensive backs; 1976 - defensive coordinator), Texas (2004 - assistant head coach/defensive ends) and Hawaii (2011 - special teams). Tomey also served as the associate athletic director for sports administration and the University of South Florida in 2015.





# 49ERS REMEMBERED



**SAM  
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Sam Wyche, a 49ers assistant coach from 1979-82, passed away on January 2, 2020, at the age of 74. Wyche began his NFL career as a backup quarterback for the Bengals in 1968, the franchise's inaugural season. In 1979, after playing seven NFL seasons, Wyche retired and joined the 49ers as quarterbacks coach, working under Bill Walsh to develop rookie quarterback, Joe Montana. In the third year of Wyche's tenure, the team won Super Bowl XVI, marking the franchise's first Lombardi Trophy. Following his tenure with the 49ers, Wyche was head coach of the Indiana Hoosiers for one season (1983). In 1984, Wyche became Cincinnati's head coach where he led the Bengals to Super Bowl XXIII, which they lost 20-16 to the 49ers. From 1992-95, Wyche served as the head coach of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers followed by a stint as the Buffalo Bills quarterbacks coach (2004-05).



**BOB  
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Bob Zeman, 49ers linebackers coach from 1989-93, passed away May 3, 2019, at the age of 82. Zeman played for the San Diego Chargers (1960-61, 1965-66) and Denver Broncos (1962-63) and appeared in 82 games (54 starts), recording 17 interceptions, returning one for a touchdown, and one forced fumble. Following his playing career, Zeman spent 22 seasons as an NFL coach with the Oakland Raiders (1971-77 - defensive backs), Denver Broncos (1978-82 - linebackers), Buffalo Bills (1983 - defensive coordinator/linebackers), Los Angeles Raiders (1984-86 - linebackers) and San Francisco (1989-93 - linebackers). He was also a member of two Super Bowl Championship teams (Super Bowl XI and Super Bowl XXIV).





# WHERE ARE THEY NOW?



## GUY BENJAMIN

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A quarterback out of Stanford, Guy Benjamin was originally drafted by the Miami Dolphins in the second round (51st overall) of the 1978 NFL Draft. He went on to play for two seasons in Miami (1978-79) and one season with the New Orleans Saints (1980) before reuniting with former coach Bill Walsh and spending three seasons with the 49ers (1981-83). In his career, Benjamin appeared in 19 games and completed 39 of 68 pass attempts for 439 yards and three touchdowns. In his first season with the 49ers, the team went on to capture Super Bowl XVI. After the conclusion of his football career, the California native returned to Stanford to work as a graduate assistant, focusing primarily on quarterbacks, with Coach Bill Walsh once more. Benjamin was later inducted into the Stanford Athletics Hall of Fame in 1998. He then moved to Hawaii, where he became part of the University of Hawaii's football staff, serving as the offensive coordinator for a number of years. After his coaching career ended, Benjamin began his work with the Hawaii Medical College in Honolulu, where he served as the President before retiring this year. Now retired, Benjamin and his wife enjoy spending time outside and engaging in water activities.



## GREG CLARK

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Greg Clark spent five seasons (1997-01) with San Francisco after being drafted by the 49ers in the third round (77th overall) of the 1997 NFL Draft. Clark recorded 92 receptions for 909 yards and four touchdowns in 55 games (39 starts) with the 49ers. Additionally, Clark appeared in 4 postseason games (3 starts) with San Francisco and notched 5 receptions for 38 yards and two touchdowns. Toward the end of his football career, Clark began working in real estate finance part time before retiring and launching a boutique real estate financing firm and a real estate investment company in 2004, the latter which he still owns and operates today. During that time, Clark also coached son Jayden's little league football team for years, something he said was fun but challenging, garnering a new respect for his former coaches. Clark and his wife, Carie, currently reside in Danville with their two sons, Jayden and McKay. Jayden, who can be found accompanying Greg to 49ers games and alumni events, is currently a middle linebacker at Southern Utah University. In his spare time, Clark enjoys spending his time outdoors hiking, mountain biking, and skiing and snowboarding with his family.



# WHERE ARE THEY NOW?



## RIKI ELLISON

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Riki Ellison was selected by the 49ers in the fifth round (117th overall) of the 1983 NFL Draft. Ellison spent seven seasons (1983-89) with the 49ers and three seasons (1990-92) with the Oakland Raiders during his ten-year career. Ellison appeared in 80 games (77 starts) with the 49ers, registering 4.0 sacks. He became the first New Zealander to play in the NFL. Ellison appeared in 9 postseason contests with the 49ers and won Super Bowl XIX, Super Bowl XXIII and Super Bowl XXIV with San Francisco. Ellison graduated with a degree in international relations with a graduate emphasis on defense and strategic studies from the University of Southern California in 1983 and began working in the missile defense field during the off-season from the start of his professional football career. After retiring from football, Ellison founded the Missile Defense Advocacy Alliance, a non-profit organization launched in 2002 with a singular purpose and mission to drive for the deployment, development and evolution of missile defense. Since the company's inception, Ellison has been in attendance of over 277 missile defense tests, visited 595 U.S. and allied missile defense bases and platforms and has advocated for missile defense in all 50 states. Through his work, he was awarded the Honorable Order of Saint Barbara in 2011 and the German Air Force Air Defense Missile Badge in 2018. Among his many accolades, Ellison was inducted into the Polynesian Football Hall of Fame in 2017. Ellison and his wife, Heather, reside in Alexandria, Virginia, and have four children between them: Brooke, Rhett, Troy and Cruz. They are also the grandparents of Kaia, James, Austin and Riggs. Son, Rhett, retired in early 2020 after playing for five seasons (2012-16) with the Minnesota Vikings and three seasons (2017-19) with the New York Giants at tight end and running back, respectively. In addition to acting as the Chairman of the Missile Defense Advocacy Alliance, Ellison founded the Youth Impact Program in 2006 for disadvantaged and at-risk adolescent boys in the nation's inner-cities. The program has partner with the U.S. Marine Corps, NFL and former President Obama's Council on Fitness, Sports and Nutrition and has been recognized twice by the United States Congress in Senate and House Congressional Resolutions for its overall achievements, innovation and impact.



## KEVIN FAGAN

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Kevin Fagan spent his entire seven-year NFL career (1987-93) with the San Francisco 49ers after being drafted by the 49ers in the fourth round (102nd overall) of the 1986 NFL Draft. After his career at the University of Miami, where he is now a member of the UM Sports Hall of Fame, Fagan made an immediate impact on the 49ers defense. In his career, Fagan appeared in 83 games (74 starts) and recorded 25.5 sacks. He was also a member of two championship teams, capturing both Super Bowl XXIII and Super Bowl XXIV with the 49ers. After retiring from the NFL, Fagan took a few years to spend time with his family in their native Florida. He and his wife, Nancy, have six children: Kasey, Samantha, Haley, Cole, Cameron and Jack. While coaching his kids in little league, he discovered his desire to coach at a higher level. Despite coaching various sports, like football, soccer and baseball, Fagan gravitated towards softball, as it was something both he and his daughters enjoyed. He began coaching softball at Dunnellon High School in Florida, and after his three oldest daughters finished school, Fagan began coaching softball at the College of Central Florida, where he has been now for about eight years.





# WHERE ARE THEY NOW?



## DANA HALL

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Dana Hall was originally drafted by the San Francisco 49ers in the first round (18th overall) of the 1992 NFL Draft after winning a national title with the University of Washington in 1991. At safety, Hall appeared in 44 games (26 starts) in three seasons with the 49ers (1992-94). In that time, he accumulated four interceptions, one fumble recovery, 1.0 sack and 108 tackles. In his final season with the 49ers, he and the team captured Super Bowl XXIX. He then went on to play for the Cleveland Browns (1995) and Jacksonville Jaguars (1996-97) before retiring from professional football. Hall pursued a number of business opportunities post-football, including owning and operating a dry-cleaning business and working in the mortgage industry. After spending ten years at Washington Mutual while living in Los Angeles, Hall left as the Vice President of Emerging Markets and decided to turn his attention to coaching. Hall coached at the high school level and at the junior college level, most notably serving as the defensive backs and safeties coach for San Bernardino Valley College for four years (2010-13). While coaching in the high school ranks, Hall began a job as an operations manager for a trucking company. He decided to continue his career in operations, and he currently works in operations at Amazon. Now residing in Fontana, California, he and his wife, Diane, have seven children among them. In his free time, Hall enjoys golfing at least once a week and traveling around the world with wife, Diane.



## MERTON HANKS

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Merton Hanks appeared in 125 games (107 starts) at defensive back over an eight-year (1991-98) with the 49ers. He also played one season (1999) with the Seattle Seahawks. Hanks registered 474 tackles, 1.0 sack, 31 interceptions (two returned for touchdowns), 10 fumble recoveries and 2 forced fumbles with San Francisco after being drafted by the 49ers in the fifth round (122nd overall) of the 1991 NFL Draft. He also played in 14 postseason contests (12 starts) and recorded 40 tackles and one interception. Hanks was selected to the Pro Bowl four times (1994-97), named First-Team All-Pro in 1995 and captured Super Bowl XXIX with the 49ers. Following his retirement after the 1999 season, Hanks served as the assistant director of operations for the NFL before becoming the NFL vice president of operations in charge of player conduct. Hanks is currently the senior associate commissioner for Football Operations at the Pac-12 Conference. He and his wife, Marva, have two daughters, Maya and Milan.



## MIKE SHERARD

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A multi-sport athlete in his youth, Mike Sherrard came from an athletic background, as his mom, Cherrie, was a track athlete in the 1964 Summer Olympics and father, Robert, played college basketball. After an impressive career at UCLA, including being named All-Pac-10 in 1983, the California native was drafted in the first round (18th overall) of the 1986 NFL Draft by the Dallas Cowboys. Following his time in Dallas, Sherrard signed with the San Francisco 49ers as a free agent in 1989. Sherrard spent four seasons with the 49ers (1989-92), and notched 79 receptions for 1,167 yards and four touchdowns in 39 games. In his first season in San Francisco, he helped the 49ers capture Super Bowl XXIV. Sherrard then went on to play for the New York Giants (1993-95) and Denver Broncos (1996). In his nine-year NFL career (1986, 1989-96), Sherrard recorded 257 receptions for 3,931 yards and 22 touchdowns in 105 games. Following his retirement, Sherrard began a career in broadcasting, working with Fox Sports Net as a television color commentator for many years. Additionally, he also cohosted "The Sports Zone" on ABC, Los Angeles for seven years. Sherrard then transitioned to coaching high school football at Beverly Hills High School, Newbury Park High School and more. In his free time, the father of three is involved in the foundation Autism Speaks, a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing research into causes and better treatments for autism spectrum disorders.





# WHERE ARE THEY NOW?



## JAMES SNIADECKI

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James Sniadecki was originally drafted by the San Francisco 49ers in the fourth round (86th overall) of the 1969 NFL Draft. Sniadecki spent his five-year NFL career (1969-73) with the 49ers, recording one interception and one forced fumble in 58 games played. Additionally, he appeared in four postseason contests. Prior to his professional career, Sniadecki, a native of South Bend, Indiana, was a three-year starter at Indiana University, garnering All-Big Ten, AP All-America and UPI All-America honors in addition to an appearance in the Rose Bowl in 1967. In 2011, Sniadecki was inducted into the Indiana Athletics Hall of Fame. Following his final season in San Francisco, Sniadecki joined the World Football League as a member of the Hawaiians, based in Honolulu, before the league folded in 1975. Sniadecki, after taking some time off, worked in a variety of careers, from the medical field to restaurant business. Most prominently, Sniadecki began a career in the security business for about 15 years, working with cameras and alarm systems. Now retired, Sniadecki still resides in California, and enjoys golfing, bowling and boating in his free time.



## REGGIE SMITH

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Reggie Smith spent four seasons (2008-11) with San Francisco after being drafted by the 49ers in the third round (75th overall) of the 2008 NFL Draft. Smith appeared in 45 games (7 starts) and recorded 60 tackles, seven passes defended and two interceptions. In 2010, Smith founded the Reggie Smith Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the mission of serving the community by support of under privileged children and families. The foundation has hosted various football camps for local youth and giveaways for those in need. Following his retirement, Smith returned to the University of Oklahoma to complete his degree in multi-disciplinary studies. During his studies, Smith completed a three-week internship with Fanatics before accepting a position as an outbound supervisor with the company. Smith now works as an operations manager at Chewy.com and is the co-owner of Safe Ship, a package and specialty shipping franchise, which he runs with his father. Smith currently resides in Phoenix, Arizona, with his fiancée, Lena.



## BRUCE TAYLOR

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Bruce Taylor was selected by the San Francisco 49ers in the first round (17th overall) of the 1970 NFL Draft before spending his entire eight-year career with the team (1970-77). In 109 games (101 starts), Taylor recorded 18 interceptions and ten fumble recoveries. Additionally, Taylor appeared in five postseason games. Named NFL Defensive Rookie of the Year in 1970 and selected to the Pro Bowl in 1971, Taylor ended his NFL career in San Francisco at the conclusion of the 1977 season. Immediately following his NFL career, Taylor spent the 1978 season with the Montreal Alouettes of the CFL, where the team made an appearance in the Grey Cup. Taylor then returned to San Francisco to begin his career as a stock broker, working for the firm Dean Witter Reynolds for five years. He then went on to own and operate several Burger King franchises for ten years, accumulating a total of 18 restaurants before selling them all in 2005. Taylor then retired and moved to Tampa, Florida, with his wife, Terry, and two children, Britt and Bianca. After planting his roots in Tampa, Taylor joined his son, Britt, who was a volunteer coach at East Lake High School at the time, and ended up coaching with the football team for ten years before officially retiring last year.





# WELCOME TO THE CLUB

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# WELCOME TO THE CLUB



FOREVER A NINER



JOE STALEY

Joe Staley was originally selected in the first round (28th overall) of the 2007 NFL Draft by San Francisco. Throughout his 13-year career, he started all 181 regular season games in which he appeared, as well as all 11 postseason contests, including two Super Bowls. Recently named to the 2011-2019 Pro Football Hall of Fame All Decade Team, Staley earned All-Pro honors in 2011, 2012 and 2013, in addition to being selected to six Pro Bowls (2012-2016 & 2018).



Staley finished his career ranked fifth in franchise history for the most games played by an offensive lineman (181), trailing only T Len Rohde (208), T Keith Fahnhorst (193), G/C Randy Cross (185) and C/G Jesse Sapolu (182). A member of San Francisco's 10-Year Club, which recognizes 49ers players whose tenures reached the 10-year mark, Staley was also a two-time recipient of the Bobb McKittrick Award (2014-15), given annually to the 49ers offensive lineman who best exemplifies the dedication, excellence and commitment of former offensive line coach Bobb McKittrick. In 2019, Staley was selected as one of eight finalists for the annual Art Rooney Sportsmanship Award for the fifth-consecutive season.

A native of Rockford, MI, Staley played at Central Michigan University, where he earned consecutive First-Team All-MAC honors in both his junior and senior seasons. He played in 46 games (39 starts) for the Chippewas and helped the team produce a 1,000-yard rusher in three of his four seasons (2003-05).





# WELCOME TO THE CLUB



FOREVER A NINER



VERNON DAVIS

Vernon Davis was originally the sixth overall draft pick in the 2006 NFL Draft by San Francisco. He spent 10 seasons with the 49ers and played in 138 games (135 starts) and registered 441 receptions for 5,640 yards and 55 touchdowns. He also started all eight playoff games in which he appeared and recorded 27 receptions for 600 yards and seven touchdowns. Davis' seven postseason touchdowns rank tied for second in NFL history among tight ends. Davis went on to spend part of the 2015 season with the Denver Broncos, winning Super Bowl 50 with the team, and four seasons (2016-19) with the Washington Redskins.

A two-time Pro Bowl selection (2009 and 2013), Davis ranks first in franchise history in receptions, receiving yards and touchdowns by a tight end. His 5,640 receiving yards also rank sixth in franchise history among all players. Davis is also the only tight end in NFL history to register two seasons with 13-or-more touchdown receptions (2009 and 2013). He was also the team's 2009 Len Eshmont Award winner, given to the player who best exemplifies the

"inspirational and courageous play" of Len Eshmont and is voted on by the players.

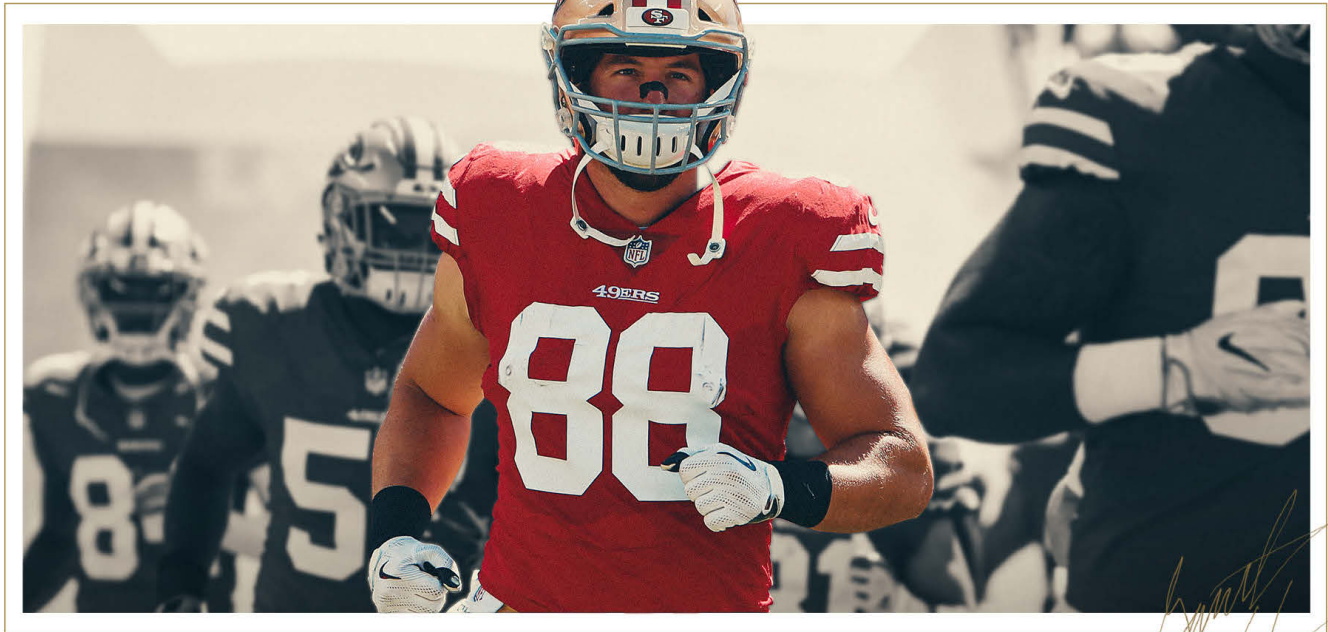
A native of Washington D.C., Davis attended the University of Maryland where he earned consensus first-team All-America and All-ACC honors and was a finalist for the Mackey Award, given to nation's top tight end.







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GARRETT CELEK

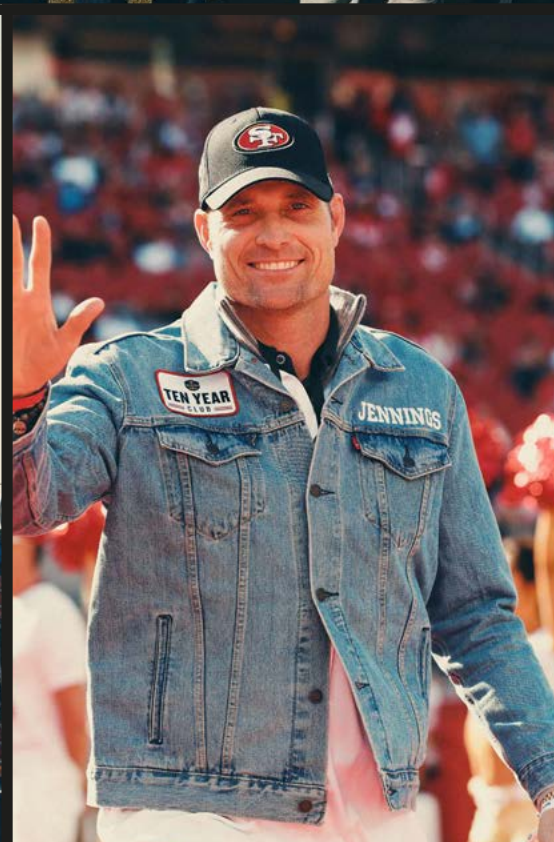
Garrett Celek originally signed with the 49ers as an undrafted rookie free agent on May 4, 2012. Throughout his eight-year career with San Francisco, he appeared in 91 games (31 starts) and registered 82 receptions for 1,104 yards and 12 touchdowns. He also saw action in six postseason contests and added one reception for six yards.

Heavily involved in the 49ers community relations efforts, Celek was San Francisco's Salute to Service Award winner in 2016 and was twice given the team's Community Relations Veteran Service Award (2017-18).

A native of Cincinnati, OH, Celek played collegiately at Michigan State, where he appeared in 38 games (12 starts).















# ALUMNI PROGRAMS



## THE MISSION OF THE ASSISTANCE FUND IS TO SERVE 49ERS ALUMNI WHO ARE IN NEED OF FINANCIAL, MEDICAL, PHYSIOLOGICAL OR EMOTIONAL SUPPORT.

The Golden Heart Fund supported by 49ers ownership (past and present) and lead by 49ers alumni greats provide funding support and relief for alumni players in times of physical, emotional and financial need. It is undeniable the amount of stress that is overlooked after retirement from the NFL. Whether the career was 2 years or 20 years, the struggle with depression, aftermath of physical injury, self-identity and financial burden is real. We have come together as a 49er family to lift those who once lifted our city. To be the support our fellow 49er family members are in desperate need of.

*For more information or to donate to The Golden Heart Fund, please visit: [www.goldenheartfund.org](http://www.goldenheartfund.org)*



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There are 23 Legends living all across the country serving as Legends Community Directors and Coordinators. They played in different eras for multiple teams at various positions and are passionate about helping their former teammates.

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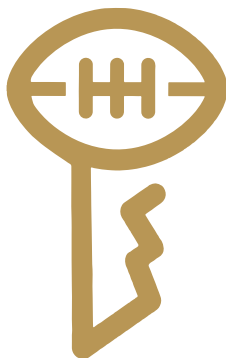
Assist in communication with affinity groups including Hall of Fame, NFL Alumni Association, NFLPA's The Trust, Gridiron Greats, Player Care Foundation, etc. to ensure players are tapping into all resources available to them.

Communicate regularly with Legends Community members via: a monthly newsletter, hospitality/networking activities at calendar events, dedicated social media accounts (#NFLBrotherhood).

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# ALUMNI PROGRAMS



## THE 88 PLAN

The 88 Plan is designed to assist players who are vested under the Bert Bell/Pete Rozelle NFL Player Retirement Plan ("Retirement Plan") and who are determined to have dementia, as this condition is defined in the 88 Plan.

The 88 Plan will pay the cost of medical and custodial care for eligible players, including institutional custodial care, institutional charges, home custodial care provided by an unrelated third party, physician services, durable medical equipment, and prescription medicine.

For eligible players who are institutionalized as an inpatient, the maximum annual benefit is \$88,000. For eligible players who are not institutionalized as an in-patient, the maximum annual benefit is \$50,000. 88 Plan benefits may be paid on behalf of an eligible player even if that player is also receiving total and permanent ("T&P") disability benefits from the Retirement Plan, but only if he is in the "Inactive" category. Players receiving T&P disability benefits from the Retirement Plan in the "Active Football," "Active Nonfootball," and "Football Degenerative" categories cannot also receive the 88 Plan benefit. For players who convert, or have converted to retirement benefits from those three T&P categories, an offset applies that may or may not eliminate 88 Plan benefits.

**For more information, contact NFL Player Benefits Department at 1-800-NFL-GOAL (1-800-635-4625)**



The National Football League recognizes the enormous contributions former players have had in the development and success of America's favorite sport -- NFL football. To acknowledge and express appreciation for their contributions, the NFL Owners, in partnership with the NFL Players Association, Pro Football Hall of Fame, and the NFL Alumni Association, created the NFL Player Care Foundation (PCF) in September 2007.

PCF is administered by a board of six directors. The National Football League, NFL Players Association, Pro Football Hall of Fame and the NFL Alumni Association each nominated a director and there also are two outside directors with expertise in foundation management and social welfare issues.

PCF is an independent organization dedicated to helping retired players improve their quality of life. PCF addresses all aspects of life – medical, emotional, financial, social and community, providing programs and assistance in each area.

**For more information about PCF, 800-NFL-GOAL (800-635-4625) OR 954-639-4584**



In 2012, the National Football League provided a grant to establish the NFL Life Line for members of the NFL family – current and former NFL players, coaches, team and league staff, and their family members who may be in crisis. The NFL Life Line is a free, confidential, and independently operated resource that connects callers with trained counselors who can help individuals work through any personal or emotional crisis. This service is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

Individuals can simply call (800) 506-0078 or chat online to be connected with a counselor. These caring professionals are trained to understand the specific issues that may arise during or after a professional career in football, as well as a variety of general problems that can affect anyone. No confidential information about individual calls or callers is shared with the NFL, teams, or any other organization.

They're there to listen and assist callers in finding solutions in challenging times, provide support for individuals who are calling out of concern for somebody else, and can connect callers with programs and resources offered by the NFL and other organizations. Federal evaluations of hotlines similar to this service have shown that they can effectively reduce emotional distress and suicidal thinking in callers.



# THE 49ERS MOST PRESTIGIOUS HONOR: THE LEN ESHMONT AWARD

BY CAROLINE GOLDBERG





When you think of someone who best personifies a 49er, who do you think of? Maybe your first thought goes to QB Joe Montana, who led San Francisco to their first Super Bowl victory in 1981. Perhaps you think of DT Bryant Young, a force on the 49ers defensive line for more than a decade. You could think of WR Dwight Clark, QB Steve Young, CB Jimmy Johnson and so many other players who made the 49ers rich with history. All of these players were known for their dedication to the game of football, their inspiring play and the respect they garnered from their teammates. They were also recipients of the Len Eshmont Award, the 49ers most prestigious honor, and named after a player who embodied those ideals every moment, whether he was on or off the field.

Raised in the coal regions of central Pennsylvania, Eshmont

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made a name for himself on the East Coast. After playing high school football at Mt. Carmel Township in Easton, PA, Eshmont, who broke numerous school rushing records and earned all-state honors as a senior, was recruited to play collegiate football at Fordham in New York. At the time, the Fordham Rams were the team to beat, and Eshmont only helped solidify that notion. After entering Fordham in 1936, he earned the nickname the “Fordham Flash”, an





homage to his play on the field, and the “Atlas Antelope”, a tribute to his hometown of Atlas. In his sophomore season, Eshmont rushed for 831 yards on 132 carries and scored seven touchdowns, becoming the first sophomore to win the NCAA Division I-A rushing title in 1938. As a senior, he was named to the All-America team. “When I was back east playing college ball, I remember hearing his name all the time. He was well known back there,” said former 49ers HB Johnny Strzykowski. Former Fordham head coach Ed Danowski referred to Eshmont as being the most dangerous, most colorful, most effective back Fordham has ever had. He was later inducted into the Fordham Athletic Hall of Fame in 1976.

After the conclusion of his collegiate career, Eshmont signed with the New York Giants in 1941, where he spent one season, appearing in nine games and recording 50 carries for 164 yards. Eshmont, like others around the league, was then commissioned in the U.S. Navy to serve during World War II. He worked as a physical education instructor at pre-flight schools around the country, including St. Mary’s in California, where he would play with quarterback Frankie Albert to form an elite local military team. Eshmont was named to the All-Service football teams in 1942-44, the only person to be named to the all-star team for three consecutive years.



Following the conclusion of the war, Eshmont decided to remain on the West Coast to join the original 49ers team with former teammate Frankie Albert in 1946. He made his presence known from the start, as he scored the first touchdown in franchise history, running 60 yards into the end zone following a lateral from Strzykowski. An integral member of the backfield, Eshmont rushed for 1,181 yards on 232 carries in his four seasons with the team (1946-49). Along with his play, Eshmont was known by his teammates as a natural leader. He led by example with his relentless persistence and determination, and was respected by his teammates for his dedication to the game. “Len Eshmont was always the old pro. He was a quiet leader. He led by example,” said former teammate Alyn Beals. “He wasn’t flashy or flamboyant. He just did what was necessary to win. He was a great team leader,” said former 49ers FB Joe Perry. After retiring, he shifted his career into coaching, joining the U.S. Naval Academy as a backfield coach from 1950-56 before serving as a backfield coach at the University of Virginia in 1956.

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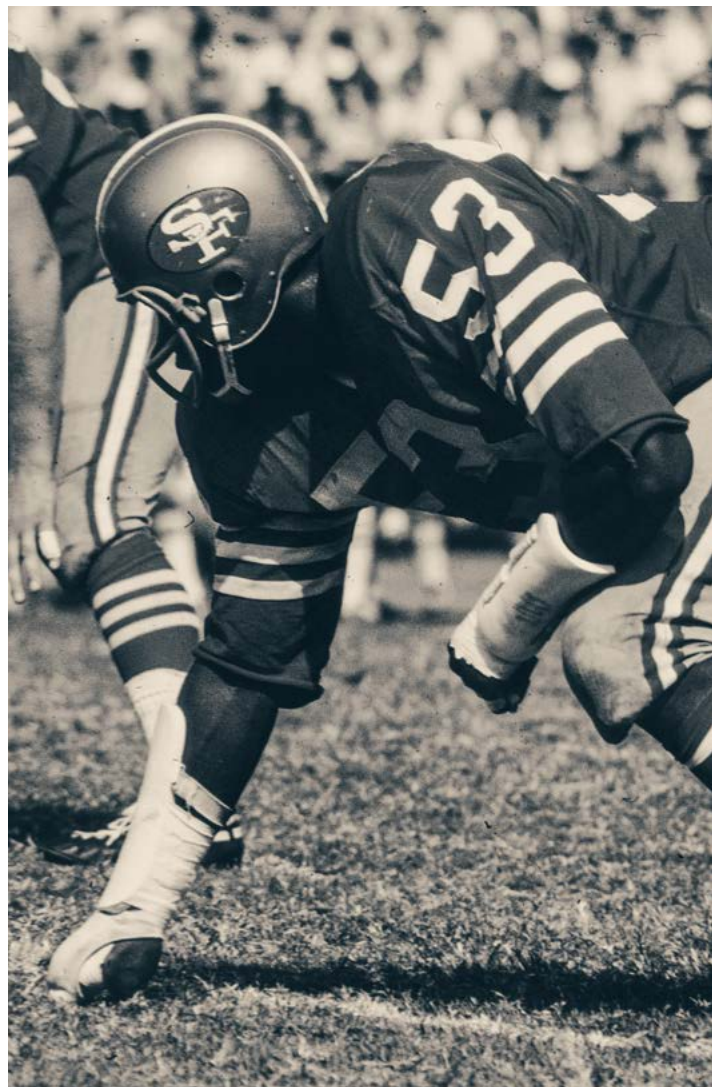




In May of 1957, Eshmont passed suddenly due to infectious hepatitis following a surgery ten days prior. He was a few months short of his 39th birthday. A father, husband and friend to many, Eshmont's memory was immediately preserved. Eight days after his passing, the 49ers created the Len Eshmont Award, given annually to the 49ers player who best exemplifies the inspiration and courageous play of Eshmont, as selected by his teammates. The idea began with former teammate and then head coach of the 49ers, Frankie Albert. Originally established as the Len Eshmont Memorial Medal, Albert had the players vote for the teammate they believed gave the most inspirational performance in 1957 prior to the final game of the season. "Lenny served his country as a Naval officer in World War II. As a professional football player, he gave his best in every game," said Albert in 1957. "He led by demonstration and got a lot of respect from his teammates. He had the desire and was a hell of a competitor." QB Y.A. Tittle became the first recipient of Len Eshmont Award in 1957, and the tradition has carried on to this day. "He showed a lot of courage, playing injured and stuff like that. Some of the fellows on the 49ers now, I don't think they realize what they are getting when they get the Len Eshmont Award. It's very special, something to be proud of," said Joe Vetrano, a member of the original 49ers team and a member of San Francisco's coaching staff from 1953-56.



**DAVE WILCOX**



**TOMMY HART**

The Len Eshmont Award has been awarded to numerous players throughout 49ers history. As the tradition lives on, the award carries different meanings for each player. "I was surprised when I won, I was only in the league for a few years," said former LB Dave Wilcox, who was the recipient of the award in 1967. "It was a great honor to have your teammates select you. It really meant a lot to me." Like Eshmont, Wilcox left everything he had on the field. "Whatever I needed to do, I'd do it. To have however many guys on the team, to know you could help them, it was a tremendous honor."

In his ten seasons with the 49ers, former DE Tommy Hart won the award twice, in 1972 and 1976. "To win the award twice, it meant a lot to me. I had some great teammates, a really great group of guys. It never dawned on me that they would choose me." On his mentality as a player, Hart said, "I had to step up and be a leader. I wasn't afraid to make a



decision or talk to guys when I need to. I wanted to be a role model for my teammates.”

At the conclusion of his fourth NFL season in 2013, LB NaVorro Bowman was chosen by his teammates as the recipient of the award, following three First-Team All-Pro selections and a pair of Pro Bowls. Aside from his accolades on the field, Bowman was proud to represent his team in a different fashion. “I always felt like I wanted to get the respect from my peers and teammates,” said Bowman. “It solidified what I did that season. It meant a lot to have the whole team vote for one guy, agree on one guy and they felt like I deserved it.” Bowman embodied the courageous play imbedded into the spirit of the award. “As humans, you understand you have to sacrifice for the things you want and put in the energy towards your craft. All those guys made some critical sacrifices at the right time in order to help the team and achieve their goals.”

QB Steve Young spent 13 seasons with San Francisco. In that time, he was named to the Pro Bowl seven times (1992-98), First-Team All-Pro three times (1992-94), was a member of three Super Bowl championship teams (XXIII, XXIV and XXIX) and was named the MVP of Super Bowl XXIX after throwing for 325 yards and six touchdowns. In addition to being chosen as the recipient of the Len Eshmont Award in 1992, his teammates chose him again after leading his team to a Super Bowl victory at the conclusion of the 1994 season. “It meant a lot to me to be honored by my teammates when I was selected for the Len Eshmont Award,” said

Young. “With the high caliber of character on our team, I was grateful that they would choose me for this prestigious award. It was a great surprise. We had many hard-working guys on our team who were deserving of the award, so to be able to represent my team in that way was a great privilege.”

Since the inception of the award in 1957, there have been a few players to win the award more than once. No one has been selected for the award more than former DT Bryant Young, who was selected by his teammates eight times (1996, 1998-00, 2004-07). A four-time Pro Bowler who was named First-Team All-Pro in 1996 and was a member of the Super Bowl XXIX Championship team, Young’s influence spanned his entire 14-year NFL career, all with San Francisco. Even though he was recognized for the award eight times, to Young, each one mattered as much as the first did. “Every chance I had to be nominated and win each year, each was as special as the first,” said Young. “Each year, you get new teammates and to be seen in that way, I’m very humbled. I always voted for someone else, because my teammates were deserving of it.”

The message of hard work and courage that Len Eshmont instilled in the original 49ers team is one that many, including Young, used to define their career. “To win this award, you have to be humble and hungry, possess a great work ethic, be an example to the younger guys on and off the field. More than anything, be yourself. Everyone has the ability to inspire, to impact the team. Be all you can for your team.”





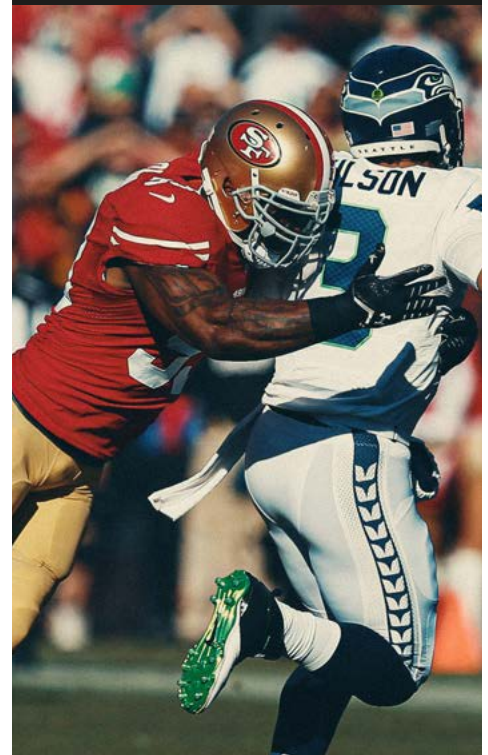
## STEVE YOUNG



## BRYANT YOUNG



## NAVORRO BOWMAN



## LEN ESHMONT AWARD WINNERS

The Len Eshmont Award, the 49ers most prestigious annual honor, has been given each year to the 49ers player who best exemplifies the “inspirational and courageous play” of Len Eshmont. A member of the original 1946 49ers team, Eshmont coached at Navy and Virginia following his playing days with the 49ers. Eshmont died in 1957.

Listed below are the 49ers annual Len Eshmont Award winners since its inception in 1957:

|      |    |                  |   |      |       |                   |   |      |    |                  |   |
|------|----|------------------|---|------|-------|-------------------|---|------|----|------------------|---|
| 1957 | QB | Y.A. Tittle      | x | 1979 | RB    | Paul Hofer        | x | 1999 | DT | Bryant Young     | x |
| 1958 | FB | Joe Perry        | x | 1980 | DT    | Archie Reese      | x | 2000 | DT | Bryant Young     | x |
| 1959 | HB | J.D. Smith       | x | 1981 | TE    | Charle Young      | x | 2001 | RB | Garrison Hearst  | x |
| 1960 | S  | Dave Baker       | x | 1982 | WR    | Dwight Clark      | x | 2002 | S  | Tony Parrish     | x |
| 1961 | DT | Leo Nomellini    | x | 1983 | RB/ST | Bill Ring         | x | 2003 | LB | Julian Peterson  | x |
| 1962 | DE | Dan Colchico     | x | 1984 | LB    | Keena Turner      | x | 2004 | DT | Bryant Young     | x |
| 1963 | T  | Bob St. Clair    | x | 1985 | FB    | Roger Craig       | x | 2005 | DT | Bryant Young     | x |
| 1964 | DT | Charlie Krueger  | x | 1986 | QB    | Joe Montana       | x | 2006 | DT | Bryant Young     | x |
| 1965 | QB | John Brodie      | x | 1987 | WR    | Jerry Rice        | x | 2007 | DT | Bryant Young     | x |
| 1966 | HB | John David Crow  | x | 1988 | NT    | Michael Carter    | x | 2008 | WR | Isaac Bruce      | x |
| 1967 | LB | Dave Wilcox      | x |      | RB    | Roger Craig       | x | 2009 | TE | Vernon Davis     | x |
| 1968 | LB | Matt Hazeltine   | x | 1989 | QB    | Joe Montana       | x | 2010 | LB | Takeo Spikes     | x |
| 1969 | CB | Jimmy Johnson    | x | 1990 | DE    | Kevin Fagan       | x | 2011 | DT | Justin Smith     | x |
| 1970 | S  | Roosevelt Taylor | x |      | LB    | Charles Haley     | x | 2012 | DT | Justin Smith     | x |
| 1971 | LB | Ed Beard         | x | 1991 | WR    | John Taylor       | x | 2013 | LB | NaVorro Bowman   | x |
| 1972 | DE | Tommy Hart       | x | 1992 | QB    | Steve Young       | x | 2014 | RB | Frank Gore       | x |
| 1973 | S  | Mel Phillips     | x | 1993 | WR    | Jerry Rice        | x | 2015 | WR | Anquan Boldin    | x |
| 1974 | T  | Len Rohde        | x | 1994 | QB    | Steve Young       | x | 2016 | QB | Colin Kaepernick | x |
| 1975 | CB | Jimmy Johnson    | x | 1995 | FB    | William Floyd     | x | 2017 | WR | Marquise Goodwin | x |
| 1976 | DE | Tommy Hart       | x | 1996 | DT    | Bryant Young      | x | 2018 | DL | DeForest Buckner | x |
| 1977 | S  | Mel Phillips     | x | 1997 | DT    | Dana Stubblefield | x | 2019 | TE | George Kittle    | x |
| 1978 | RB | Paul Hofer       | x | 1998 | DT    | Bryant Young      | x |      |    |                  |   |







# THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY TEAM

## THE 1970 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS

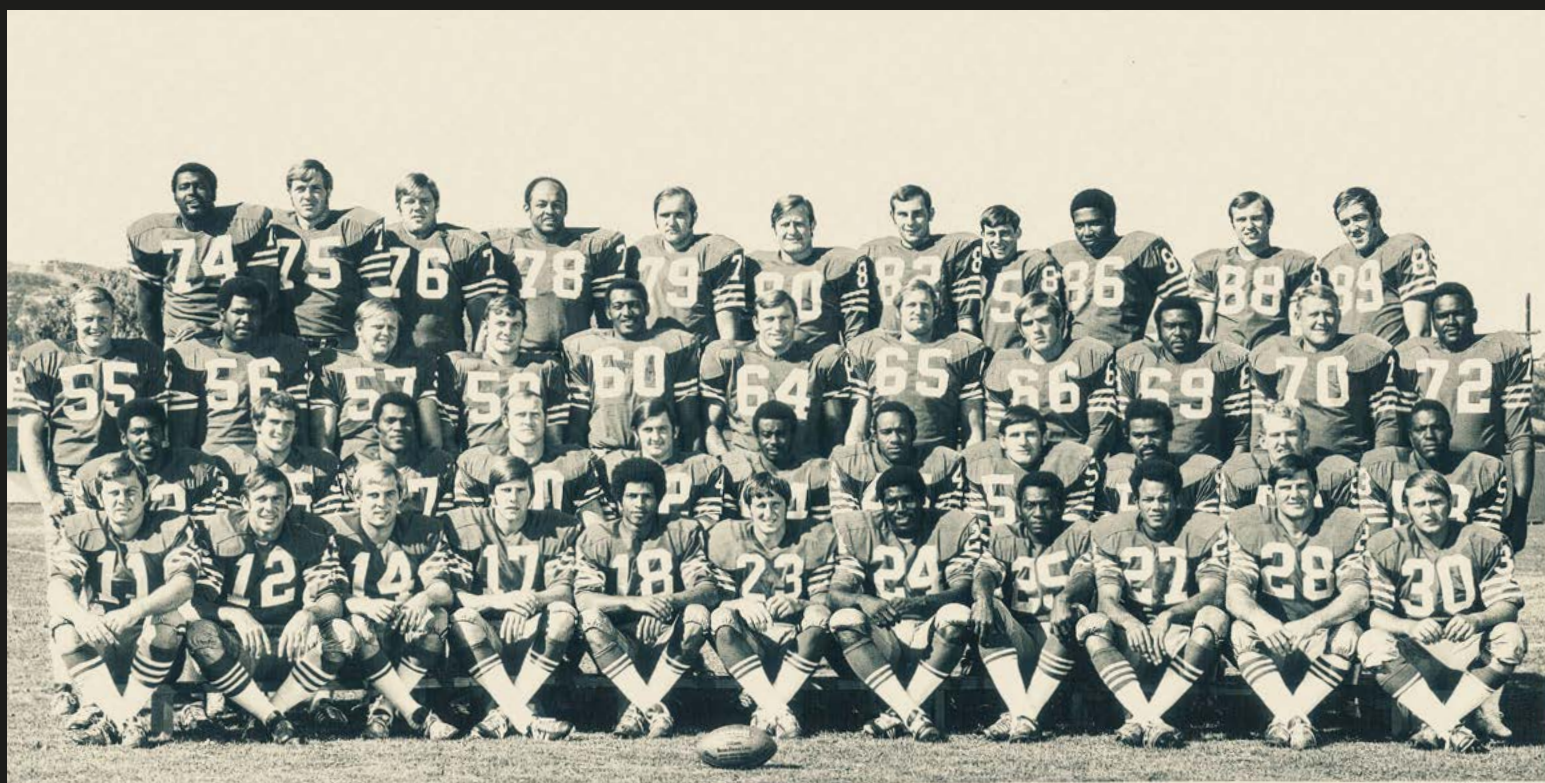
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The 1970 San Francisco 49ers became the first team in franchise history to post a 10-win season, finishing the year with a 10-3-1 record and capturing the NFC West Title for the first time. The offense was led by QB John Brodie who completed 223 of 378 attempts for 2,941 yards and 24 touchdowns. Brodie was named NFL Most Valuable Player, NFL Offensive Player of the Year, NFC Player of the Year, First-Team All-Pro and was selected to the Pro Bowl. WR Gene Washington was named First-Team All-Pro and selected to the Pro Bowl as he hauled in 53 receptions for 1,100 yards and 12 touchdowns. FB Ken Willard rushed for 789 yards and seven touchdowns on 236 carries while also adding 31 receptions for 259 yards and three touchdowns. T Len Rhode was also selected to the Pro Bowl. On the defensive side of the ball, LB Dave Wilcox and CB Jimmy Johnson were each named First-Team All-Pro and were selected to the Pro Bowl, while rookie CB Bruce Taylor was named NFC Rookie of the Year as he tied for the team-high with three interceptions.





# THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY TEAM



## SAN FRANCISCO FORTY NINERS

LEFT TO RIGHT: 1st row: Steve SPURRIER, John BRODIE, Buster O'BRIEN, John ISENBARGER, Gene WASHINGTON, Johnny FULLER, Jimmy THOMAS, Roosevelt TAYLOR, Alvin RANDOLPH, Jim STRONG, Bruce GOSSETT.

2nd row: Mel PHILLIPS, Larry SCHREIBER, Jimmy JOHNSON, Ken WILLARD, Doug CUNNINGHAM, Bruce TAYLOR, Bill TUCKER, Ed BEARD, Carter CAMPBELL, Skip VANDERBUNDT, Tommy HART.

3rd row: George DAMES, Bob HOSKINS, Frank NUNLEY, Jim SNIADCKI, Roland LAKES, Dave WILCOX, Randy BEISLER, Elmer COLLETT, Woody PEOPLES, Charlie KRUEGER, Bill BELK.

4th row: Earl EDWARDS, Forrest BLUE, Len ROHDE, Sam SILAS, Cas BANASZEK, Stan HINDMAN, Ted KWALICK, Preston RILEY, Cedrick HARDMAN, Dick WITCHER, Bob WINDSOR.







# HALL OF FAME



## PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME AND EDWARD J. DEBARTOLO SR. 49ERS HALL OF FAME

The San Francisco 49ers franchise is arguably one of the most fabled in sports history. With the multitude of memories that the team's history holds, a place to honor and capture these tremendous times and legendary figures only seems appropriate.

During the 2009 offseason, the San Francisco 49ers and the York family proudly introduced the creation of the Edward J. DeBartolo Sr. 49ers Hall of Fame, named in honor of the beloved patriarch of the storied franchise. The 49ers Hall of Fame was established to recognize players, administrators and coaches who have made exceptional contributions to the organization.

A week after the creation of the new 49ers Hall of Fame, team President & CEO Jed York announced the name of its inaugural inductee, his uncle, Edward J. DeBartolo Jr., known as "Mr. D" to most close to the 49ers family. He was then officially inducted during halftime of the team's home opener versus the Seattle Seahawks on September 20, 2009.

Being inducted into the 49ers Hall of Fame is no easy task, and the selection process reflects the level of honor which it bestows. As a prerequisite for induction, all 49ers Hall of

Fame candidates must have displayed one or more of the following qualifications: outstanding production and performance on the field, key contributions to the team's success, and/or the embodiment of the spirit and essence of the San Francisco 49ers.

A number of players and coaches have already been recognized in various ways throughout the years for their contributions to the game of professional football and the 49ers organization. Accordingly, the franchise has automatically enshrined members of the 49ers family who have either had their jersey numbers already retired by the organization or have been selected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio. These players include: John Brodie, Dwight Clark, Fred Dean, Jimmy Johnson, John Henry Johnson, Charlie Krueger, Ronnie Lott, Hugh McElhenny, Joe Montana, Leo Nomellini, Joe Perry, Bob St. Clair, Y.A. Tittle, Bill Walsh, Dave Wilcox and Steve Young.

During Alumni Weekend on October 11, 2009 against the Atlanta Falcons, the 49ers honored the automatic enshrinement of the above players during halftime of the game.



**EDWARD J. DEBARTOLO JR. X OWNER X 1977-2000**

**49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2009 X PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2016**





# EDWARD J. DEBARTOLO SR. 49ERS HALL OF FAME MEMBERS



**JOHN BRODIE** X QB X 1957-73  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2009



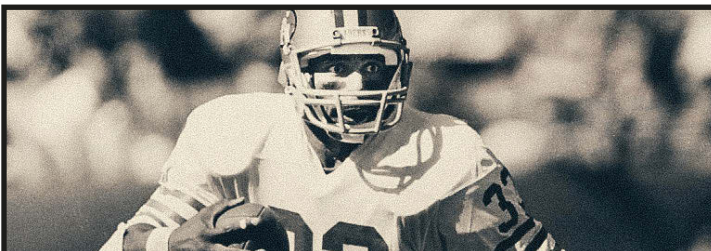
**JIMMY JOHNSON** X CB X 1961-76  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2009 X PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 1994



**DWIGHT CLARK** X WR X 1979-87  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2009



**JOHN HENRY JOHNSON** X FB X 1954-56  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2009 X PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 1987



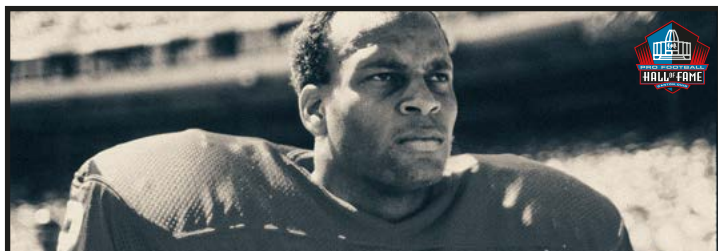
**ROGER CRAIG** X RB X 1983-90  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2011



**CHARLIE KRUEGER** X DT X 1959-73  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2009



**FRED DEAN** X DE X 1981-85  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2009 X PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2008



**RONNIE LOTT** X DB X 1981-90  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2009 X PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2000



**CHARLES HALEY** X LB X 1986-91, '99  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2015 X PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2015



**HUGH McELHENNY** X HB X 1952-60  
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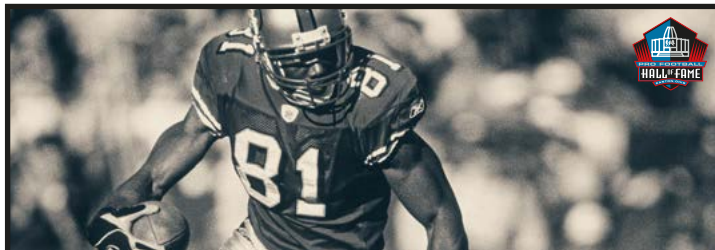




# EDWARD J. DEBARTOLO SR. 49ERS HALL OF FAME MEMBERS



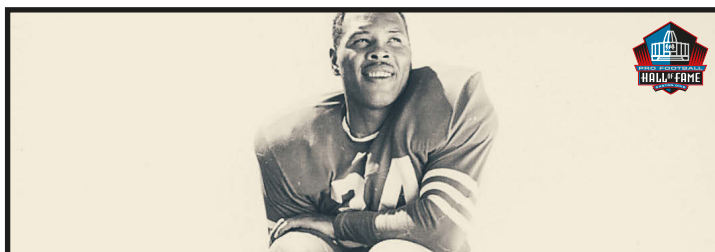
**JOHN McVAY** X VP/GM X 1979-2003  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2013



**TERRELL OWENS** X WR X 1996-2003  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2019 X PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2018



**JOE MONTANA** X QB X 1979-92  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2009 X PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2000



**JOE PERRY** X FB/K COACH X 1948-60, '63, '68-69  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2009 X PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 1969



**TONY & VIC MORABITO** X FOUNDER/OWNERS X 1946-64  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2010



**TOM RATHMAN** X FB/RB COACH X 1986-93, '96-2002, '09-16  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2017



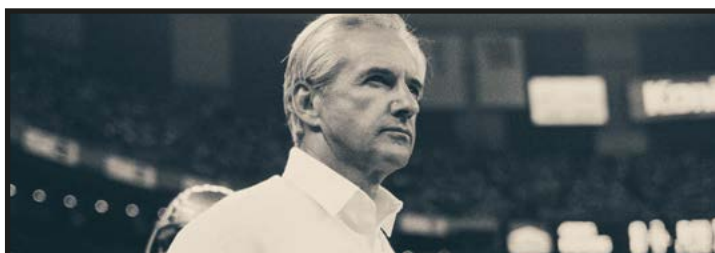
**LEO NOMEILLINI** X DT X 1950-63  
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**JERRY RICE** X WR X 1985-2000  
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**R.C. OWENS** X WR X 1957-61  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2011

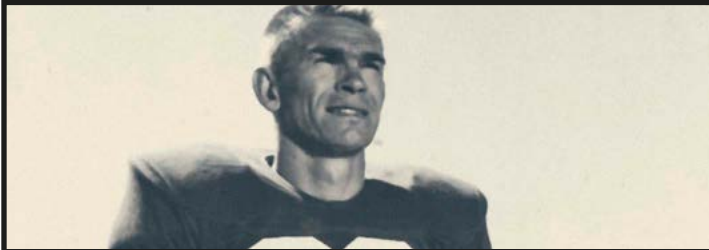


**GEORGE SEIFERT** X HEAD COACH X 1989-96  
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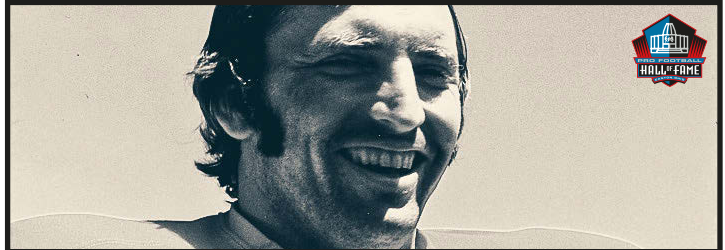




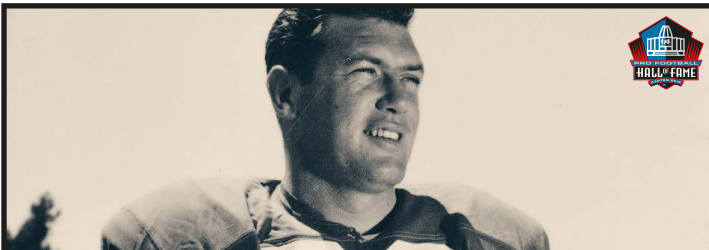
# EDWARD J. DEBARTOLO SR. 49ERS HALL OF FAME MEMBERS



**GORDY SOLTAU** X WR X 1950-58  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2012



**DAVE WILCOX** X LB X 1964-74  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2009 X PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2000



**BOB ST. CLAIR** X T X 1953-64  
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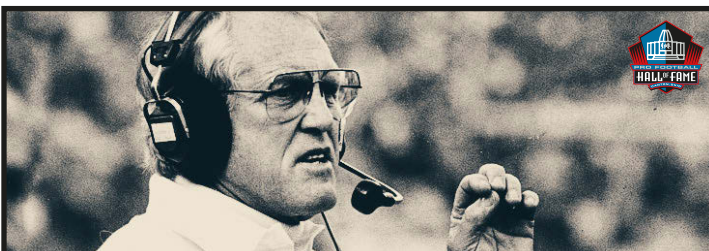
**BRYANT YOUNG** X DT X 1994-2007  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2020



**Y.A. TITTLE** X QB X 1951-60  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2009 X PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 1971



**STEVE YOUNG** X QB X 1987-99  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2009 X PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2005



**BILL WALSH** X HEAD COACH X 1979-88  
49ERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 2009 X PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: 1993



# 49ERS IN OTHER HALL OF FAMES



**MIKE BARBER**  
WEST VIRGINIA SPORTS HOF x MAY, 2020



**ISAAC BRUCE**  
MEMPHIS SPORTS EXPERIENCE & HOF x OCTOBER, 2019



**REGGIE BUSH**  
NEW ORLEANS SAINTS HOF x OCTOBER, 2019



**MICHAEL CARTER**  
TEXAS SPORTS HOF x MARCH, 2020



**NATE CLEMENTS**  
SHAKER HEIGHTS (OH) HS HOF x OCTOBER, 2019



**ADRIAN COLBERT**  
MINERAL WELLS (TX) HS HOF x OCTOBER, 2019



**EARL COOPER**  
RICE ATHLETICS HOF x OCTOBER, 2019



**CHUCK CRIST**  
GREATER BUFFALO (NY) SPORTS HOF x NOVEMBER, 2019



**JOHNNY DAVIS**  
ALABAMA SPORTS HOF x 2018



**GLENN DORSEY**  
COLLEGE FOOTBALL HOF x DECEMBER, 2020



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PETALUMA (CA) ATHLETIC EDGE HOF x MARCH, 2019



**NATIONAL FOOTBALL FOUNDATION**  
COLLEGE FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME  
NEBRASKA CHAPTER

**JAY FOREMAN**  
NEBRASKA FOOTBALL HOF x SEPTEMBER, 2019



**JACOB GREEN**  
COLLEGE FOOTBALL HOF x DECEMBER, 2019



**TERRY GREER**  
CANADIAN FOOTBALL HOF x AUGUST, 2019



**BARRY HELTON**  
UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO ATHLETIC HOF x NOVEMBER, 2019



**RICKEY JACKSON**  
ACC LEGENDS CLASS OF 2019 x DECEMBER, 2019



# 49ERS IN OTHER HALL OF FAMES



**MARCUS LATTIMORE**  
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA ATHLETICS HOF ✕ OCTOBER, 2019



**CHARLES MANN**  
DC SPORTS HALL OF FAME ✕ JUNE, 2019



**BART OATES**  
NEW JERSEY HOF ✕ OCTOBER, 2019



**EASON RAMSON**  
MULTI-ETHNIC SPORTS HALL OF FAME ✕ FEBRUARY, 2019



**ALEX SMITH**  
UTAH ATHLETICS HOF ✕ SEPTEMBER, 2020



**JUSTIN SMITH**  
MISSOURI SPORTS HOF ✕ NOVEMBER, 2020



**TAKEO SPIKES**  
GEORGIA SPORTS HOF ✕ MARCH, 2019



**STEVE SPURRIER**  
SOUTH CAROLINA FOOTBALL HOF ✕ MAY, 2020



**ROD STREATER**  
ALFRED STATE COLLEGE HOF ✕ JUNE, 2019



**DICK TOMEY**  
UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA HOF ✕ NOVEMBER, 2020



**CHRIS WEINKE**  
FLORIDA SPORTS HOF ✕ NOVEMBER, 2019



**PATRICK WILLIS**  
MISSISSIPPI SPORTS HOF ✕ AUGUST, 2020



**PATRICK WILLIS**  
TENNESSEE SPORTS HOF ✕ JUNE, 2019



**MIKE WILSON**  
CARSON CITY SPORTS HALL OF FAME ✕ NOVEMBER, 2019



**BRYANT YOUNG**  
CHICAGOLAND SPORTS HOF & RECIPIENT OF "THE GEORGE CONNOR AWARD" ✕ SEPT, 2019



**BRYANT YOUNG**  
BAY AREA SPORTS HOF ✕ MAY, 2020



# 2019 TEAM AWARDS



• WALTER PAYTON MAN OF THE YEAR NOMINEE •



**RICHARD SHERMAN**

The San Francisco 49ers announced CB Richard Sherman as the team's nominee for the 2019 Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year. Named after the late Hall of Fame running back of the Chicago Bears, the Walter Payton Man of the Year Award is given annually to the player who best exemplifies a commitment to philanthropy and community involvement.

Blanket Coverage, the Richard Sherman Family Foundation, was formed in 2013 to help equip students from low-income communities with the necessary tools for success. After starting Blanket Coverage with an operating budget of \$50,000, Sherman has now raised more than \$1.5 million which has helped over 70,000 students. In 2016, Blanket Coverage launched the 25 for 2,500 initiative, donating \$2,500 to 25 different charities with beneficiaries serving a range of missions including foster homes, pediatric cancer, families experiencing homelessness, grieving families who have lost a child, creative arts, military services and more.

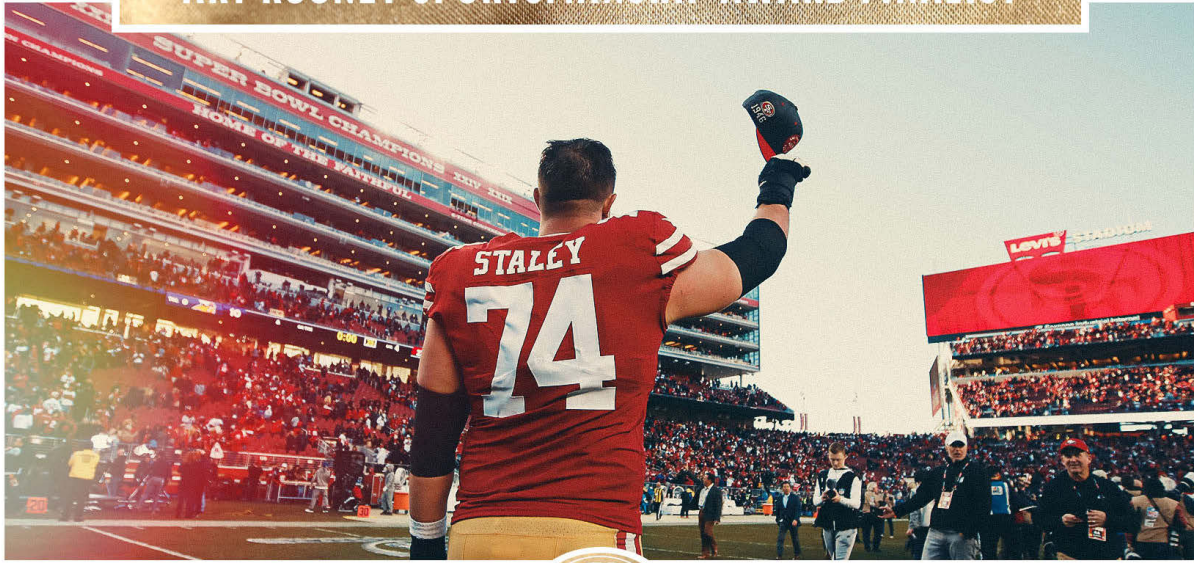
Throughout the 2019 season, Sherman and his foundation were active in both Seattle and the Bay Area. During training camp, Blanket Coverage provided 16 low-income schools and over 2,500 students with backpacks and

school supplies. In October, Sherman donated \$23,000 to the Tacoma School District to relieve the lunch debt of students who are receiving free or reduced lunch and in November, he donated over \$7,000 to Cabrillo Middle School for the same cause.

On the days where he wasn't on the field, Sherman took the time to visit incarcerated youth at Santa Clara Juvenile Hall with Fresh Lifelines for Youth to empower residents to change their narratives, channel anger into positive avenues and access available resources to turn their lives around. Social justice advocacy has always been a passion point for Sherman and in 2018, he participated in the launch of a justice forum in Oakland hosted by the Players Coalition, which focused on district attorney candidates and the major role they play in the justice system. He is an active member of the 49ers Social Justice Initiative's player's council, which initiated the decision to fund a joint grant with Google.org to The National Center for Youth Law in support of the Santa Clara Youth Justice Initiative, which works to reform the way the country interacts with young people who come into conflict with the law.



• ART ROONEY SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD FINALIST •



JOE STALEY

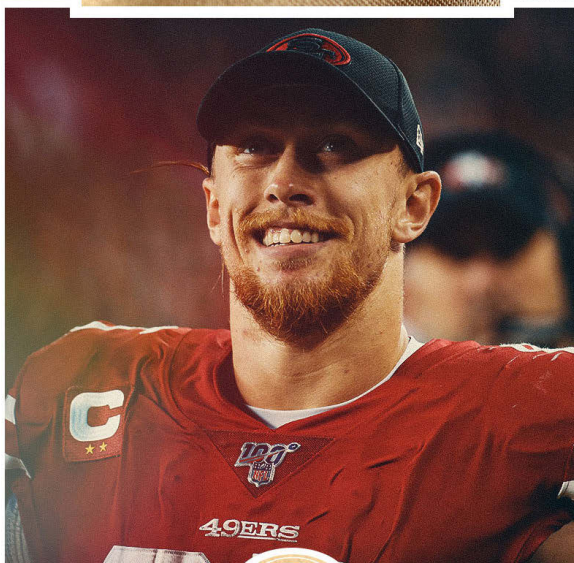
For the fifth-consecutive season, San Francisco 49ers T Joe Staley was selected as one of eight finalists for the Sixth Annual Art Rooney Sportsmanship Award. The award was created in 2014 in honor of the founding owner of the Pittsburgh Steelers and Pro Football Hall of Famer Art Rooney, Sr. It is presented annually to an NFL player who best demonstrates the qualities of on-field sportsmanship, including fair play, respect for the game and opponents, and integrity in competition.

A panel comprised of Warrick Dunn, Curtis Martin and Karl Mecklenburg selected the eight finalists from the 32 nominees, one from each NFL team. The eight finalists were listed on the Pro Bowl ballot under the NFL Sportsmanship Award category when players voted on Friday, December 13. From the eight finalists, each team's players submitted a consensus vote of their choice for the winner. As in Pro Bowl voting, a team could vote for its own player.

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• LEN ESHMONT AWARD •



GEORGE KITTLE

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• BILL WALSH AWARD •



**DEFOREST BUCKNER**

The Bill Walsh Award was established in 2004 in honor of San Francisco's Hall of Fame Head Coach. The award, which is voted on by the coaching staff, is given to the 49er who has best represented the standard of professional excellence established by Walsh. Walsh served as the team's head coach for 10 seasons from 1979-88. In that time, he compiled a record of 102-63-1 and led the team to three Super Bowls. He was twice named Coach of the Year (1981, 1984) and was later named Coach of the Decade for the 1980s.

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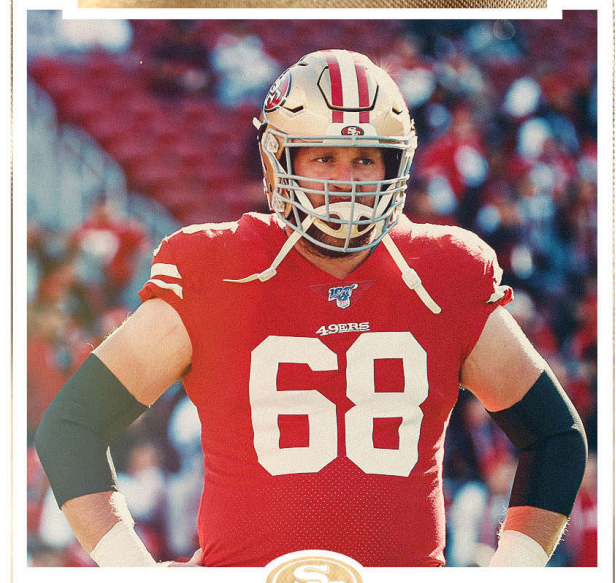
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This award is given annually to the 49ers offensive lineman who best exemplifies the dedication, excellence and commitment of offensive line coach Bobb McKittrick, a five-time Super Bowl champion.

In 1999, the San Francisco 49ers, under the direction of Bill Walsh, established the Bobb McKittrick Award. The award is meant to honor those offensive linemen who have best represented the courage, intensity and sacrifice displayed by the late McKittrick during his 21 years of service with the 49ers.

"Bobb gave distinguished service to the organization since our renaissance in 1979," Walsh said. "He was a vital factor in five Super Bowl championships, the evolution of a dynasty and in the production of some of the finest offensive linemen in football. Offensive linemen don't receive the recognition they so richly deserve. This gives us a venue to honor their sacrifices and achievements."

• BOBB MCKITTRICK AWARD •



**MIKE PERSON**



• HAZELTINE IRON MAN AWARD •

The Hazeltine Iron Man Award is named after linebacker/center Matt Hazeltine, a 13-year performer who played more seasons at linebacker than any other 49ers player. Known for his durability and dedication, Hazeltine passed away in 1987 from amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) and Bill Walsh established the award in his honor that year. The award is given annually to the most courageous and inspirational defensive player.



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• THOMAS HERRION MEMORIAL AWARD •



**DRE GREENLAW**

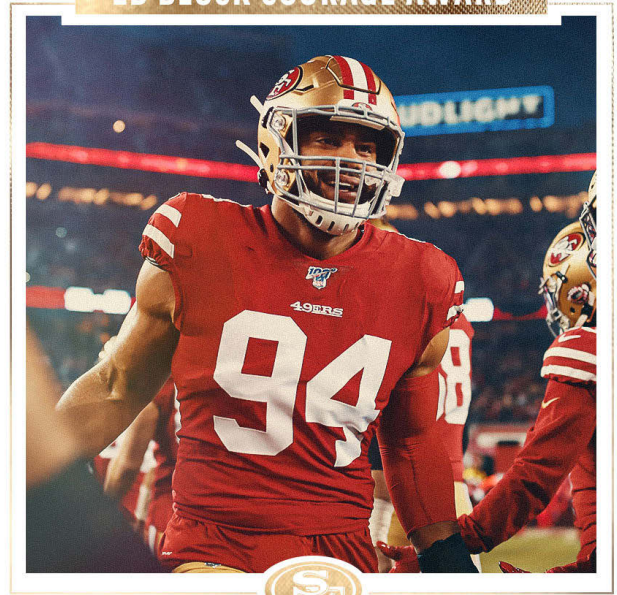
49ers owners Denise and John York established the Thomas Herrion Memorial Award in 2005, which is presented each season to a rookie or first-year player that best represents the dream of Thomas Herrion. The award will go to a player, like Thomas, who has taken advantage of every opportunity, turned it into a positive situation and made their dream turn into a reality.

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The Ed Block Courage Award is named after Ed Block, the former head athletic trainer of the Baltimore Colts of 23 years. Block was a pioneer in his profession and a respected humanitarian whose most passionate cause was helping children of abuse. The award is presented in his name each year to the player that exemplified a commitment to sportsmanship and courage. Ed Block Courage Award winners from each of the 32 NFL teams are honored at a banquet in Baltimore, MD.

All proceeds from the event benefit the Ed Block Courage Award Foundation's Courage House National Support Network. Named after the NFL team in a respective NFL city, a Courage House is a facility that provides support and quality care for abused children and their families in that community. The 49ers dedicated their Courage House in October 2003 at the Edgewood House in San Francisco.

• ED BLOCK COURAGE AWARD •

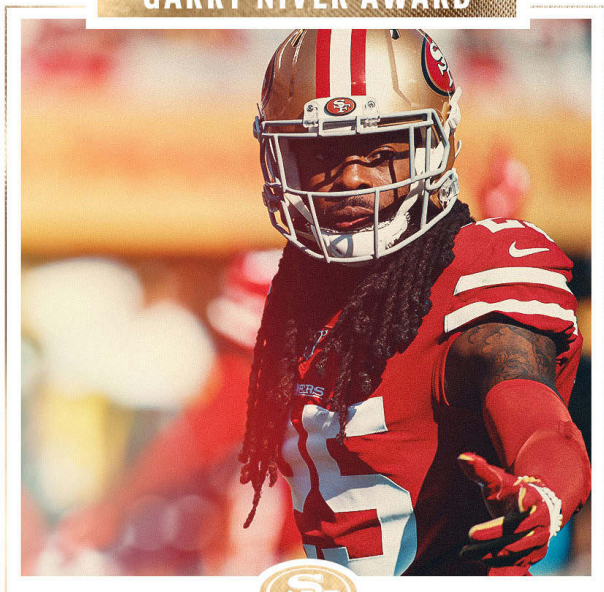


**SOLOMON THOMAS**

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• GARRY NIVER AWARD •



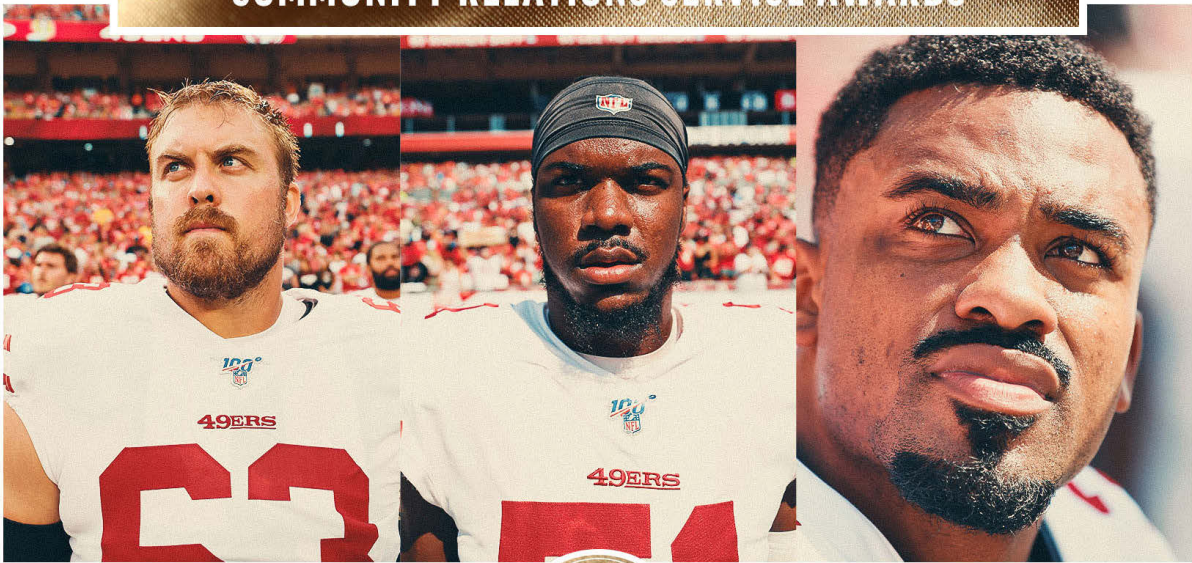
**RICHARD SHERMAN**

The Garry Niver Award is presented annually by the San Francisco Chapter of the Pro Football Writers of America to a 49ers' player for his cooperation and professional style in helping the pro football writers do their jobs. The award is named after pro football writer, Garry Niver, who was a long-time beat writer who covered the 49ers for the San Mateo Times.





• COMMUNITY RELATIONS SERVICE AWARDS •

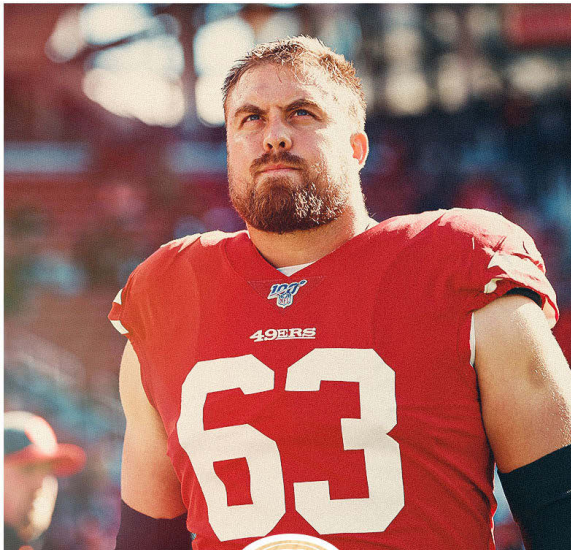


**BEN GARLAND**  
VETERAN

**AZEEZ AL-SHAAIR**  
ROOKIE

**RAHEEM MOSTERT**  
FAMILY

• PERRY/YONAMINE UNITY AWARD •



**BEN GARLAND**

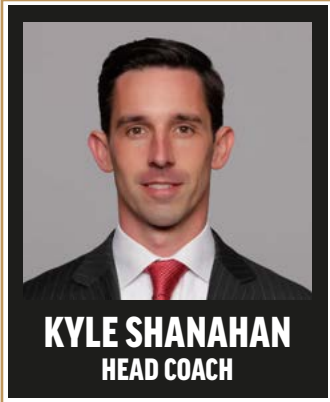
Together, players from the San Francisco 49ers provided over 800 hours of community service in 2019.

Top participants and winners of the Community Relations Service Awards were OL Ben Garland with this season's veteran player award, LB Azeez Al-Shaair with the rookie player award, RB Raheem Mostert and his wife Devon and son Gunnar, as the recipients of the family award for the third consecutive season. 49ers OL Daniel Brunskill received the youth football ambassador award while 49ers general manager John Lynch won the 49ers NFL Salute to Service Award for the third consecutive season. Ian Williams was presented with the alumnus award.





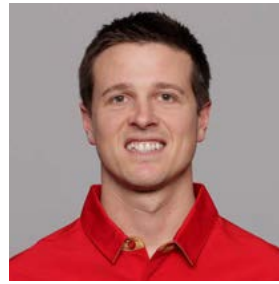
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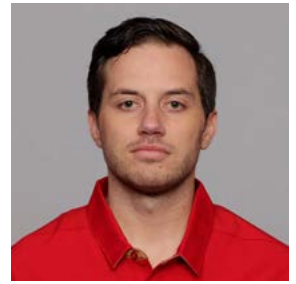
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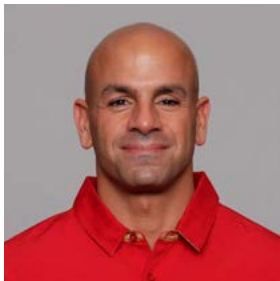
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SPECIAL TEAMS COORDINATOR



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**MIKE MCDANIEL**  
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**ROBERT SALEH**  
DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR



**JON EMBREE**  
ASST. HEAD COACH/TIGHT ENDS



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SAFETIES



**MICHAEL CLAY**  
ASSISTANT SPECIAL TEAMS



**SHANE DAY**  
QUARTERBACKS



**BRIAN FLEURY**  
OFFENSIVE QUALITY CONTROL



**CHRIS FOERSTER**  
ASSISTANT OFFENSIVE LINE







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**JOHNNY HOLLAND**  
RUN GAME SPECIALIST/  
OUTSIDE LINEBACKERS



**KRIS KOCUREK**  
DEFENSIVE LINE



**STAN KWAN**  
ASSISTANT SPECIAL TEAMS



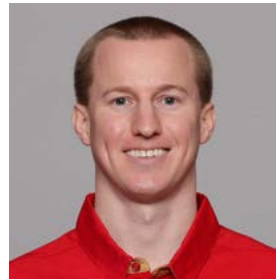
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DEFENSIVE BACKS/CORNERBACKS



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PASSING GAME SPECIALIST



**DEMECO RYANS**  
INSIDE LINEBACKERS



**BOBBY SLOWIK**  
OFFENSIVE ASSISTANT



**KATIE SOWERS**  
OFFENSIVE ASSISTANT



**ROBERT TURNER JR.**  
RUNNING BACKS



**WES WELKER**  
WIDE RECEIVERS



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