

Ross Hall of Fame inductee. 1997

Wade “Soupy” Campbell

Wade C. “Soupy” Campbell was a running sensation at Fremont Ross High School in the late 1930s.

Soupy is the only Ross High School Little Giant to win the state cross country meet in 1935, running the two-mile in 10:20 while undefeated in dual meets. He was also second in the mile run in the state track and field meet the following spring.

He won five varsity letters – two each in cross country and track, and another in basketball.

He established school records in the mile – 4:30, which stood for 40 years – and the half mile – 2:02. In district meet competition, Soupy set meet records for the Ottawa Hills course.

In his senior season, he served as captain of the Ross cross country team.

After graduating from high school, Soupy attended Western Michigan University, lettering twice in track and cross country.

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Harold “Hap” George

Harold “Hap” George was a three-sport star from 1927 to 1930 at Fremont High School. George, a nine-letter winner, lettered in football, basketball, and track and field. He played on sectional and district basketball championship teams in 1928, 1929, and 1930 and competed in the state basketball tournament in 1930. He was an All-Little Big Seven Conference selection in 1929. The 1929 basketball team won the Little Big Seven Championship.

In track and field, Hap was a member of the record-setting mile relay team—3 minutes, 32.4 seconds. Several years after graduating from high school, Hap returned to assist another Hall-of-Fame swimmer, Bim Stults, with the Fremont swimming and diving team. Hap was instrumental in forming the Fremont Ross Athletic Boosters Club. Among post-high school honors for Hap, he served as the commodore of the Port Clinton Yacht Club, president of the Fremont Shriners, and was listed in the “Who’s Who in Business” in the Midwest in 1969.

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Wayne “Pete” Moore

Wayne “Pete” Moore was an assistant and head football coach at Fremont Ross High School from 1974 through 1985. After serving as defensive coordinator under head coach Tom Holman, Pete took over as head coach in 1976. Pete coached 70 wins, 28 losses, and 4 ties, for a winning percentage of 71.4%. In 19 years of coaching high school

football, Pete's record is 128-59-4. At Ross, Pete's teams won six Buckeye Conference championships. He coached the Little Giants to the Division I, Region II championship in 1983, with that team advancing to the state tournament semi-finals. He was Buckeye Conference coach of the year in 1976, 1980, 1981, 1983, and 1985. Pete was an assistant coach in the Ohio High School Football Coaches Association North-South Game in 1976 and was the team's head coach in 1981. He was also an assistant coach in the Ohio-Pennsylvania "Big 33" Game.

Collegiate: After spending one year at the University of Wyoming, Pete graduated from Eastern Kentucky University and earned his master's degree there. Pete has held several administrative positions, including president of both the Ohio High School Football Coaches Association and the Northwest Ohio Football Coaches Association.

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Hosea Sims

Hosea Sims starred in Ross High School football from 1947-50. In those years under coach Les Binkley, Hosea helped the Little Giants compile a 32-6-2 record. Hosea played on two championship teams in 1948 and 1949. In the 1948 season, Hosea took over the starting left end spot that his brother, Sam, had manned the previous season. He was a unanimous All-Buckeye League selection in 1949 and was named to the All-Ohio team by the Associated Press and the International News Service. He helped the Little Giants finish fifth in the state in the 1949 final AP poll. Coach Les Binkley called Hosea "the greatest end I have ever coached" when he was named to the two All-Ohio teams his senior season.

After his final season, Hosea was voted co-captain, along with another Hall of Famer, Dick Sherman, by the team's 22 lettermen.

Collegiate: Hosea attended Marquette University after graduating from Ross in 1950, winning two varsity letters and the Look Magazine All-America status in 1953.

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Alan "Voggie" Voggenthaler

Alan Voggenthaler coached wrestling at Fremont Ross from 1972 through 1991. His Little Giant teams compiled a 143-58-4 dual record. Al's total record as a head coach – he previously had coached at Sylvania and Crestline – was 198-86-4. His Ross team won the sectional championship in 1976. He coached two Little Giants to runner-up spots in the state tournament and another to a third-place finish to go with several fourth, fifth, and sixth-place finishers. At Fremont Ross, Al won either the Buckeye Conference or Buckeye Central Conference coach of the year honor four times, was the AAA Northwest Ohio coach of the year in 1977 and 1981, and was the AAA Co-coach of the year in 1982.

In 1984, Al was inducted into the Ohio High School Wrestling Hall of Fame. He also won the National Federation of Coaches Distinguished Service Award in 1983 and was a vice-chairman of the National High School Athletic Coaches Association in 1991. Al also

served as vice-president from 1979-81 and president from 1981-83 of the Ohio High School Wrestling Coaches Association. Additionally, Al was a member of the United States Olympic Committee from 1969 to 1973 and the F.I.L.A. World Cup Committee and was the wrestling representative to the Northwest District Board of Control from 1973 to 1991.

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Harry Walter

Harry Walter won seven letters for Ross from 1957 through 1960. He lettered three times in both basketball and baseball, and earned his fourth letter in cross country.

In basketball, Harry was the Little Giants' leading scorer, top free-throw shooter, and field-goal percentage shooter in his junior and senior seasons. Harry served as the team's co-captain in his senior season. He was an All-Buckeye Conference selection his senior year.

Other high school honors earned by Harry included the first Fremont Ross Ex-Coaches Athletic-Academic Trophy, with a 3.59 grade-point average, and election to the National Honor Society as a junior.

After graduating from high school, Harry won three varsity basketball letters and two baseball letters at George Williams College. He was co-captain of the baseball team for his final two years. He has served as a professor of H.P.E. and director of athletics and coached basketball and baseball at his college alma mater.