

Ross Hall of Fame inductee. 2019

Brian (Brown) Hill

Brian Brown was a student-athlete at Ross in the late 1990s. He went by the name Brian Hill in high school.

Brian participated in three sports, earning letters in football, wrestling, and track and field, and graduated from Ross in 1999.

He was a lineman on the football team, earning two letters and first-team All-Great Lakes League honors during his junior and senior years while playing for head coach Dan Pallante. As a senior, he was the GLL “Lineman of the Year” and was second-team All-Ohio.

He continued his studies and football career at Ohio University, where he was a three-year letter winner at right offensive guard. He graduated and earned a B.A. in 2004.

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Mike Gilbert

Mike Gilbert served as a teacher and coach at Fremont Ross High School from 1975 through 2013, a total of 38 years.

He is best known as the head girls' softball coach for 15 seasons (1998-2013), as his teams compiled a record of 218 wins and 155 losses. Mike was named the 2012 Three Rivers Athletic Conference and Northwest Ohio Division I "Coach of the Year".

His softball teams were Greater Buckeye Conference champions in 1999, 2000, and 2009. The Lady Giants advanced to the District Tournament semi-finals several times and the district finals twice.

Mike Gilbert also served the football program in grades 7-12 for 25 years; boys' basketball in grades 7-9 for 10 years; girls' basketball in grades 7-8 for three seasons; and varsity assistant softball coach from 1994-98.

After retiring from teaching and coaching, Mike continued to support the softball program by mentoring coaches and providing lessons and guidance to players and pitchers. Four former Ross athletes who played under Coach Gilbert have been inducted into the Fremont Ross Sports Hall of Fame, while six athletes continued their softball careers at the collegiate level.

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Dr. Charles Hull

Dr. Charles “Chuck” Hull is a Fremont native who was not only an outstanding student-athlete at Ross High School, but also a long-time supporter of athletics at both Fremont high schools.

Chuck participated in swimming, track, and cross country at Ross in the mid-1950s. He placed one year at the OHSAA state swimming meet.

He earned a swimming scholarship to The Ohio State University, where he swam for the Buckeyes for one year. After graduating from the Cornell Medical School in 1964, he returned to Fremont to serve as a local physician. He also served in the U.S. Army from 1967-69.

Over the years, Dr. Hull has served as an assistant and head physician for the Fremont Ross Athletic Department and has been dedicated to serving young athletes.

Back in 1976, Dr. Hull and Charlie Gonya started the “Gonya-Hull Game Feed,” which is held every year to raise funds for the athletic programs at both Ross and St. Joseph Central Catholic.

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Rick Kusmer

Rick Kusmer is remembered by many as one of the toughest athletes to ever come out of Fremont Ross High School. He graduated in 1977.

He won six letters during his high school days, three in football and three in track and field. In football, he started at linebacker as only a sophomore, which was rare in those days. He then switched to fullback during his junior and senior years. As a junior, he rushed for 338 yards and three touchdowns; as a senior, he ran the ball 175 times for 850 yards and 11 touchdowns. He also served as the lead blocker for Ross Hall of Fame running back Terry Bates, the team's top rusher both years.

In football, Rick played for head coach Tom Hollman as a sophomore and junior and Pete Moore as a senior. Those three squads only lost four games total and were Buckeye Conference champions twice. In track and field, he threw both the discus and shot put. As a senior, he finished third in the Buckeye Conference and fourth at the district meet.

He went on to Bowling Green State University, where he was a member of the Rugby team. Rick was a four-year starter and a two-year team captain for the Falcons. In addition to leading the rugby team to an overall record of 168-30, he won two Ohio Collegiate championships and helped BGSU finish in the top eight in the nation once.

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Robin Mohr

Robin Mohr has been an institution in the Fremont City Schools for almost 35 years. She began as a student aide, cook, and cafeteria manager at Atkinson Elementary School in 1986 and continued there until 2004. In that year, she came to Fremont Ross High School as the accounting secretary and continues in that position today. Robin handles all internal accounts, sells yearbooks, prom and homecoming tickets, and coordinates much of what happens at Ross High.

Robin and her family also operate the concessions at most Ross athletic events. She has been very active in the Fremont Ross Athletic Boosters and Fremont Ross Sports Hall of Fame committee.

Robin never hesitates to volunteer her time for Fremont Ross, no matter how small or large the job.

Robin is a graduate of Toledo DeVilbiss High School and is married to her husband, Michael. They have two sons, Michael and Bradley.

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Charles Robertson

The 2019 posthumous honoree is the late Charles Robertson, who graduated from Fremont Ross in 1943. He was an outstanding track and field athlete, competing in hurdles, long jump, and high jump as a Little Giant. Charles was considered by many as one of the best high school track & field athletes in the state

After high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy. Tragically, Charles was killed in action on February 18, 1945, when the USS Blessman at Iwo Jima was hit by a suicide plane, with him in close proximity to the hit.

U.S. Navy Steward 1st Class Charles Louis Robertson is believed to be the only black man from Fremont to have been killed in action during World War II. He was buried at sea, and his name is inscribed on the pillars at the National Graveyard for War Heroes in Hawaii.

Three of Charles' brothers – Alvin, James, and Myron – also served in the U.S. Military during and after their brother's death.