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# Mountain top!

## Miners, Lady Miners both win state championships by 1 run

### Malone's walk-off hit breaks tie in 7th caps perfect season

### 3-run rally in 6th



The Mountain Ridge Miners lift their hardware high after winning the Maryland 1A state baseball championship on Saturday afternoon. TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LENNY SUNDAHL

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ABERDEEN, Md.—Mountain Ridge High School became the first school since 2003 to sweep baseball and softball titles in Maryland, with baseball securing the feat in dramatic fashion, Braden Ishler scoring on a Cody Malone fly ball to the wall in left in the bottom of the seventh to take the championship 2-1 over two-time defending champions St. Michael's.

Dan Strietbeck drove in the other run, and threw one more magnificent game, striking out nine in seven innings while only allowing two hits and no earned runs.

Both Strietbeck and St. Michael's starter Bobby Schultz started strong, with neither allowing a run through the first two innings.

While the Miners looked stronger—getting two runners on in the first and stranding a runner on the third in the second—it was the Saints who struck first. Brooks Harrison led off with a walk—one of four surrendered by Strietbeck—moved to second on a groundout from Chance Crissinger, and scored when, trying to steal third, Caleb Fazzenbaker's throw went into left field, Harrison leap-sliding in for the first run of the game.

Mountain Ridge answered back almost immediately, as Cody Malone sent a fly ball past a diving Crissinger in left, making it to third, then scoring on a groundout from Strietbeck to tie it up.

Mountain Ridge had a

chance to move ahead in the fifth.

With one out, Fazzenbaker singled to center, then Jacob Kyle sent a fly ball that was dropped in center, moving Fazzenbaker to third and Kyle to second.

Malone came up and bunted aggressively—too aggressively, as he was ruled out for being outside the batter's box when he made contact with the ball, negating what would have been a go-ahead sacrifice bunt.

Strietbeck, with one sacrifice RBI and one hit in two at bats, was walked in favor of Jarred Wilson, who sent a grounder to third.

Harrison bobbled it, but kept his foot planted on the bag when he finally got control of it before Kyle made it to the bag, getting the Saints out of the inning.

A quick sixth inning meant Strietbeck's last pitching appearance would be coming up: having gone the distance in the semifinal against Bohemia Manor, he could only pitch seven innings, so if this game went to extras—as the previous two finals, in 2A and 4A, had Saturday—he would be on the sidelines. After the game he remarked his main thought: "We need to score a run."

He would first have to keep the Saints at bay once more, but walked Kasey Nelson, whose runner, Chris Bramble, then moved to second on a sacrifice bunt.

After Schultz popped out, Bramble stole third, but was left there as Strietbeck made Harrison his ninth and final strikeout victim.

Josh Mills led off the bottom of the seventh with a

single to left, and was replaced by Braden Ishler—who Mills had been hitting for—on the basepaths.

Anticipating the kind of small-ball that had served the Miners well to this point, the Saints replaced right fielder Hunter Allen with Jacob Stevenson as a fifth infielder, but this only served to retire the next batter, Fazzenbaker, quicker, as his bunt was still successful in moving Ishler forward.

Kyle then grounded out to advance Ishler to third, and Malone sent the first pitch from Schultz over Crissinger in left, bringing Ishler across and handing Mountain Ridge its first state championship in baseball.

The last baseball title for a team from Allegany County, incidentally, was Beall in 2005—and coach John O'Neal noted some similarities between the two schools besides location.

"Beall got into the playoffs at .500, and got hot at the right time, like we did—we were 6-6, and then won 12 of our last 13," said O'Neal.

The team was practically carried by Strietbeck, who finished the postseason with 41 strikeouts against 10 hits, 11 walks, and no earned runs.

The team was molded around his pitching prowess.

O'Neal said after the game, "We know that Dan can keep the other team down. When Dan holds them down, we only need one or two runs. Anyone can win when you get 12 or 13 hits. We learned how to win with three or four hits."

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Mountain Ridge catcher Taylor Llewellyn (left) and shortstop Kaylee DeVore (right) embrace pitcher Carlie Lewis (center) after the final out as coach Martha Mauzy emerges from the dugout to join the celebration. TRIBUNE PHOTO BY MICHAEL MINNICH

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COLLEGE PARK, Md.—Perfect moments.

As the celebration at home plate began after the final out of the Maryland 1A softball championship game, Mountain Ridge's Taylor Llewellyn broke off from her teammates and leapt, catcher's gear and all, into the arms of her father and assistant coach, Dave.

A few minutes later, Kaylee DeVore stood down the third-base line, a ball of energy, twitching like a 6-year-old who's been promised an ice cream cone that she can see, but can't get, waiting for her name to be called, her state championship plaque to be handed to her.

Yeah, it was easy to tell who the two seniors on the Lady Miners' roster were.

Llewellyn, DeVore, and Mountain Ridge completed a 23-0 season by doing something they hadn't had to do in the first 22: come from behind late.

Three runs in the bottom of the sixth inning overturned a 3-1 deficit, and gave the Lady Miners their first championship in girls' softball by a final score of 4-3 over the Mardela Lady Warriors at University of Maryland on a hot Saturday afternoon, with Allie Hawkins driving in Chelsea Muir for the winning run.

"I am extremely proud. These kids...they didn't give up," said MRHS coach Martha Mauzy. "What a day to play! It was so hot out here."

It's the second title for the Mountain Ridge 'tree' of

schools: Beall were champions in 2004.

"It's the first time at Mountain Ridge, so it's quite an honor," said Mauzy. "I'm really proud, because some of those kids were heartbroken from soccer. They lost in double overtime and penalty kicks [in the past few years], so I'm just thrilled to death."

The Lady Miners were dominant in 2012: only Keyser and Southern, both twice, were able to stay within five runs of them in the regular season, with a 2-0 win at KHS and a 4-2 victory at home against SHS their closest calls.

"I never thought we could go through an undefeated season, but we did," said MRHS starter Carlie Lewis, who pitched every inning of the playoffs.

Two more easy wins over Fort Hill (10-0) and Allegany (7-0) followed in the playoffs, before things got much tougher.

Three straight one-run victories added up to a championship: North Carroll in the regional final, 5-4, on May 18; Perryville, in extra innings, 1-0, on May 22; and, finally, on the big stage, 4-3 against Mardela on Saturday.

Immediately, the Lady Miners had to be on their best game: Mardela's Katie Sprankle hit Carlie Lewis' third delivery for a triple, then Abby Catlin reached on a bunt when the Lady Miners' defense held Sprankle at third.

Kristen Catlin's sacrifice bunt back to Lewis advanced Abby Catlin to second.

But Jamie Booze grounded the next pitch to DeVore

at short, and the senior made no mistake, firing home to Llewellyn for the tag-out at the plate.

"It was key. My little shortstop here...she came up with a great big play," said Mauzy. "It was meant to be."

Addie Mister then hit a pop fly in foul ground near the screen, and Llewellyn got a faceful of net—and the ball: inning over.

The bottom of the first paralleled the top: Anna Broadwater led off for Mountain Ridge with a triple off of Booze, but was tagged out at the plate for the second out of a 6-3-2 double play.

Llewellyn reached on an error to extend the inning, but Shae Winner flied out to left for the third out.

Taylor Harcum's two-out single was all Mardela could manage in the top of the second, but Mountain Ridge went down in order in the home half of the inning.

Sprankle started the third like she did the first: with a triple.

This time, Mardela cashed in: Kristen Catlin's ground ball scored Sprankle with the game's first run.

With two outs, Addie Mister smacked a long single, scoring courtesy runner Jasmine White.

Mister moved to second on the errant throw home, and was awarded third when Llewellyn had to dive into the dugout after the loose ball.

But Lewis got Allie Beach to pop out to DeVore at short.

"She's a Class A pitcher," said Mauzy of Lewis.

Mardela led, 2-0. Mountain Ridge grounded—See GIRLS Page 8

# Jones inks 6-year, \$85.5 million contract with Orioles

BALTIMORE (AP) — Even though Adam Jones isn't from Baltimore, he's making sure it'll be home for a while longer.

Jones signed a six-year, \$85.5 million contract with the Orioles on Sunday, ensuring that the 26-year-old center fielder will be with the team through 2018.

"I fit here in this city. I fit here on this team. I fit in Camden Yards. I don't see myself wearing another white uniform that doesn't have Orioles across the chest," said Jones, a native of San Diego.

"I'm not from Baltimore. This is now my town."

A fan favorite, Jones entered Sunday with a 17-game hitting streak and leads the team in home

runs and RBIs.

Vice president of baseball operations Dan Duquette began negotiating a new deal with the 2009 All-Star weeks ago.

Jones' new deal includes a \$2 million signing bonus, \$8.5 million in 2013, \$13 million each in 2014 and 2015, \$16 million apiece in 2016 and 2017 and \$17 million in 2018. It also includes a no-trade provision.

"The dude rang the cash register every time he hit a home run," Duquette said.

After the Orioles and Jones agreed on a one-year, \$6.15 million contract in February, avoiding arbitration, they began exploring an extension.

"We started the process in spring training, and

picked up some steam in the last couple of weeks," Duquette said.

Jones has been active in community affairs, something that Duquette referred to several times during Sunday's announcement.

"To have a great team in Baltimore, you have to find and keep players like Adam," Duquette said.

The news conference was attended by a local youth baseball team that Jones sponsors.

"A lot of these kids look up to me, and I am a role model," Jones said.

Jones had one more year before he could have been a free agent, and he acknowledged he decided he wanted to stay in Baltimore some time ago.

"Now, I don't have to

worry about trade deadline, free agency," Jones said. "I don't have to worry about any of that, just worry about being a part of the best team in baseball."

The Orioles have suffered through 14 straight losing seasons, and since Jones came to Baltimore in a trade from Seattle in 2008, the team hasn't won even 70 games. Entering Sunday's game with Kansas City, the Orioles lead the AL East with a 29-18 record.

"We have to prove to the fans that we're for real. We're slowing doing it. This is a big step in that right direction," Jones said.

"There's a bigger goal here, I believe, and that's winning games."



# WVU Sports Hall of Fame class selected

MORGANTOWN—Seven outstanding contributors to Mountaineer athletics make up the 22nd class of honorees in the West Virginia University Sports Hall of Fame, announced today by Director of Athletics Oliver Luck.

The 2012 class includes Katie Barnes, Dan Cavanaugh, Ben Dunkerley, Bo Orlando, Ed Pastilong, Lee Patrone and Maurice Robinson.

Induction ceremonies will take place Saturday, Sept. 22, prior to the West Virginia-Maryland football game. This class brings the total number of inductees to 141.

West Virginia's first women's soccer All-American, Katie Barnes rewrote the Mountaineer record book during her tenure at WVU from 1998-2001.

The Mason, Ohio, native started every match in her career and helped lead the Mountaineers to their first-ever NCAA tournament appearance as a junior in 2000. That season, Barnes scored 17 goals and added nine assists for a 43-point season. At the time, no women's soccer player boasted better seasonal numbers.

Barnes led the Mountaineers in points in three of her four seasons to finish with 45 career goals, 30 career assists and 120 career points. The forward was a two-time Big East Offensive Player of the Year, earning the honor in 2000 and 2001, becoming the program's first offensive major award winner.

As a senior, Barnes was named First Team All-Big East, an NSCAA/adidas First Team All-American, an NSCAA/adidas Mid-Atlantic Region first team member, a Soccer Buzz First Team Mid-Atlantic Region member, a Soccer Buzz Second Team All-American, a National Strength and Conditioning All-American, recipient of the Fred Schaus Captain's Award and team captain.

In 2002, Barnes became the first West Virginia women's soccer player drafted by the Women's United Soccer Association (WUSA), when she was selected in the second round as the ninth overall pick by the Carolina Courage. In her rookie season with Carolina, she helped the team win the 2002 Founders Cup. Barnes also spent time as a member of the San Jose Cyber-Rays in the WUSA and as a member of the Cincinnati Ladyhawks in the United Soccer League.

Barnes spent four seasons as an assistant women's soccer coach at Alabama before returning home to Ohio to enter the field of law enforcement. She is currently employed with the Warren County Sheriff's Office as a deputy sheriff.

The BIG EAST Academic All-Star graduated from WVU in 2002 with a bachelor's degree in communication studies.

Dan "Cav" Cavanaugh, who was WVU's first swimming NCAA qualifier, was a domi-

nant swimmer for the Mountaineer men's swimming team from 1955-60.

A native of Brookville, Pa., who was raised in Parkersburg, W.Va., and graduated from Parkersburg High, Cavanaugh was a two-time NCAA qualifier during his Mountaineer career. He was a two-time Southern Conference champion, winning the 100 (53.4) and 440 (4:53.2) freestyle events at the 1960 Southern Conference Championship. Cavanaugh's winning 440 freestyle time was a then-Southern Conference record.

Cavanaugh was a two-time WVU team captain in 1959 and 1960. During his career, he set numerous WVU records: 100 freestyle (53.4), 220 freestyle (2:14.4), 440 freestyle (4:53.2) and tied the 50 freestyle (24.9) record. Cavanaugh's 220 freestyle record in 1960 also set a Mountaineer pool record. He missed two seasons of competition at WVU due to military service.

He graduated from WVU in 1960 and became a teacher and successful coach, including a stint at the University of Miami where he was a water polo coach. Cavanaugh directed the Coral Park High girls team to a state championship in 1966 and also coached at Miami Ransom Everglades at Fort Lauderdale High. He was later inducted into the Coral Park Hall of Fame and the Ransom Everglades Hall of Fame in 2004 for his coaching efforts. Cavanaugh developed numerous All-Americans, including his three sons. His middle son, Chris, was part of the USA Gold medal winning 4x100 meter freestyle relay team at the 1984 Olympics.

Cavanaugh, who is a retired sailboat yacht captain, and his wife Debbie, also a masters swimmer, live in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and have three sons — Dan, Chris (swam at USC) and Kevin (swam at UCLA) — and six grandchildren.

Ben Dunkerley was a standout offensive tackle for WVU in 1951-

52, earning second team Associated Press All-America honors in 1952.

Dunkerley aided in the success of a 7-2 overall record and 5-1 Southern Conference record in 1952. He was instrumental in protecting quarterback Fred Wyant, who was 55-for-125 for 867 yards, a then-record passing season by a WVU freshman.

During the 1952 season, Dunkerley paved the way for the WVU offense to produce 1,049 yards in 210 plays. The Mountaineers outscored their opponents by a 234-116 margin, accumulated more first downs (145-102) and overpowered opponents in the passing game, 1,028-898.

The Glassport, Pa., native was named to the All-Southern Conference First Team in 1951.

Dunkerley was drafted in the 12th round of the 1954 NFL Draft by the Washington Redskins. However, instead of playing that season with the Redskins, Dunkerley was sent to Germany with the U.S. Army. In Germany, Dunkerley battled through a separated shoulder injury and returned home.

Still contracted to play pro football, Dunkerley instead chose to become a family man as he married Jean on Aug. 4, 1956, and dedicated his life to his wife, children and coaching youth football. Dunkerley battled diabetes and a heart condition and passed away on Oct. 11, 1987, at the age of 56, leaving behind wife, Jean, three children, seven grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Bo Orlando, a native of Berwick, Pa., was the heart of the Mountaineer secondary from 1985-88.

Co-captain of the 1988 team that went undefeated during the regular season, Orlando earned NEA/World Book first team All-America honors, honorable mention Associated Press All-America honors and first team AP All-East.

Orlando finished his career with 173 total tackles, five interceptions, four pass break ups, six tackles for loss and one quarterback sack. He ran back one of the longest interceptions in Mountaineer history for 84 yards against East Carolina in 1987.

As a senior, he intercepted three passes, including a 56-yard interception for a touchdown against Maryland. Orlando had 13 tackles at East Carolina and 11 at Rutgers. He was fourth on the team with 83 tackles in 1987.

Orlando was named co-recipient of the 1988 Gridiron Gladiator Award, the 1987 Ideal Mountaineer and was named to the WVU all-time team from 1980-89.

Orlando was selected 157th overall in the sixth round of the 1989 NFL Draft by the Houston Oilers. He played six seasons with the Oilers, recording seven interceptions, including one for a touchdown. He then played one season with the San Diego Chargers, two with the Cincinnati Bengals and his last season with the Pittsburgh Steelers in 1998. Orlando totaled two sacks and 10 interceptions in his career.

He has two sons and one daughter. His son, Joseph, played football at New Hampshire while his youngest son, Anthony, will play football this fall at Colgate. Orlando's daughter Gabrielle, also is in college. Ed Pastilong spearheaded WVU's growth into one of the nation's finest intercollegiate athletic programs on and off the playing fields during his 20-year tenure as director of athletics from 1989-2010. His vision helped guide, mold and shape the student-athlete experience into a positive one at WVU through a successful, across-the-board, total athletic program. At the time of his departure, Pastilong had one of the longest-serving tenures of any athletic director at a BCS-level school.

During his tenure, Pastilong directed more than \$65 million in facility renovations, witnessed the athletic department's budget increase from \$20 million to more than \$50 million, steered WVU into the Big East football conference in 1991 and full-fledged member status in the league in 1995, the school's first-ever association in a major athletic conference.

The facility upgrades and capital improvements alone have been staggering. Since 1989, WVU has made tremendous strides to its football facility, Mountaineer Field at Milan Puskar Stadium. Suites to three

sides of the stadium, Touch-down Terrace, the Caperton Indoor Practice Facility, new locker rooms, the Academic Center and the Hall of Traditions highlight the making of WVU's football facility into one of the nation's finest.

Other facility improvements under Pastilong's tenure include renovations to the WVU Coliseum and Hawley Field and the construction of Dick Dlesk Soccer Stadium, Cary Gym for Mountaineer Gymnastics, a state-of-the-art wrestling facility and a basketball practice facility.

Pastilong joined the athletic department as football recruiting coordinator in 1976 and two years later became its scholarship officer.

In 1979, he was named assistant athletic director for facilities and operations. He spearheaded the planning and management of all home athletic contests, as well as the scheduling and the maintenance of the Coliseum and stadium; Pastilong was also on the board for the planning and building of Mountaineer Field. He remained director of athletic facilities until his promotion to associate athletic director in 1987.

For the last two years, Pastilong has served as director of athletics emeritus at WVU.

Prior to West Virginia, Pastilong served football coaching stints at Scott High in Madison, W.Va., and at Salem College, where he tutored the Tigers from 1969-75, winning more games than any other West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference team during that period. He was also the school's dean of health and physical education from 1972-75.

He received his bachelor's degree from WVU in physical education in 1966, and later earned a master's degree from WVU. As a Mountaineer player, Pastilong lettered in 1964 and 1965, completing 37 of 115 passes for 728 yards and six touchdowns, despite playing with a debilitating shoulder injury.

Pastilong and his wife, Mona, have two daughters — Kim DeFelicce and her husband, Anthony, and Amy Richter and her husband, Pat, and four grandsons, Michael and Nick DeFelicce and Ryan and Shawn Richter.

Lee Patrone, a native of Bellaire, Ohio, was a three-year letterman for the men's basketball team from 1959-61, serving as captain of the 1961 team.

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# GIRLS

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ed into three outs in the bottom of the third.

Autumn Hughes led off the Mardela fourth with a single, then Harcum followed with her second hit of the game.

Nancy Trivits grounded back to Lewis for a force out at third, then the dangerous Sprankle hit a hard ground ball toward third: Broadwater scooped and stepped on the bag for another force out.

Two pitches later, Abby Catlin bounced out to Winner at first for the third out.

Time for the seniors to step up: DeVore and Llewellyn singled.

Winner then hit a ground ball back to Booze in the circle, but the throw to third was high and wide, allowing DeVore to trot home with the Lady Miners' first run, with Llewellyn moving to third and Winner taking second.

But Booze bore down, getting Lewis to pop up to her.

Emma Baker then hit a ground ball back to Booze, who threw home in time for Llewellyn to be tagged out for the second out.

Booze then struck Jenna Miller out swinging to leave runners on first and second.

The deficit was down to a run, 2-1, after four innings.

With two outs in the top of the fifth, Mister reached on an error, then Beach singled.

Lewis, though, got Hughes to tap back to her for the third out.

With one out in the bottom of the fifth, Allie Hawkins and Broadwater singled on consecutive pitches.

DeVore, though, grounded into a force out at third and Llewellyn struck out swinging.

Still, the Lady Miners were starting to figure Booze out.

In the top of the sixth, Trivits was hit by the pitch, and Sprankle smacked her third extra-base hit of the



Mountain Ridge's Allie Hawkins delivers the eventual game-winning hit. TRIBUNE PHOTO BY MICHAEL MINNICH

game to score her.

This time, though, the Lady Miners were able to nab Sprankle at third for the second out.

On the next pitch, Catlin's soft dribbler down the first base line was grabbed and thrown by Llewellyn to first in time for the final out: had Sprankle not been thrown out at third, it would have been very difficult for the Lady Miners to prevent her from scoring the fourth Mardela run on the play.

Instead, Mountain Ridge grabbed their bats down only two runs.

"Two runs are nothing for us to get," laughed Mauzy. "We've hit the ball hard all year. We had a little trouble hitting today, but we did it when we had to."

Winner started the pivotal inning with a single, then moved to second on a passed ball.

After Lewis grounded out and Baker struck out, MRHS generated some two-

out lightning. Miller singled Winner home to cut the deficit to one.

On an 0-2 pitch, Chelsea Muir smacked an RBI double to tie the score at 3-3.

So Hawkins stepped in with a chance to give the Lady Miners the lead.

"I was a little nervous, but I knew we needed to get that hit in, so I did my best," said Hawkins.

She came through with the go-ahead RBI, singling in Muir.

Hawkins stole second base, but Broadwater grounded out to short to end the inning.

So, now it was on Lewis and the Mountain Ridge defense to get three outs, but according to the junior right-hander, the pressure was off.

"When we got those runs back, I could actually breathe," said Lewis. "It actually puts a lot more pressure on me [when we're be-

hind]. It's different to think that we're down."

Kristen Catlin walked and was replaced by courtesy runner White.

Booze cut at the first pitch, grounding to DeVore for a force out at second.

Mister then popped out to Lewis.

On a 3-2 pitch, Beach lofted the ball high into the College Park sky, above the infield.

Waiting that final second or two for the ball to come down seemed like an eternity to Lewis.

"It was very nerve-wracking," Lewis said.

Not nerve-wracking enough: she squeezed the last out, and the celebrations were underway.

With seven starters back, a repeat is not out of the question, either.

"We're losing two very important seniors, very important players and leaders. But we have the bulk of the team back," said Mauzy.

# WVU

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A member of the 1959 NCAA runner-up team, he was second to Jerry West in 1960 in scoring with a 14.2 per game average and was named to three all-tournament teams: NCAA Regional, Southern Conference and University of Kentucky.

As a senior, he was a third team All-America honoree by the Helms Foundation. Patrone earned two All-Southern Conference First Team honors and was a three-time selection to the Southern Conference All-Tournament teams.

For his career, he scored 1,028 points and handed out 210 assists. As a senior, Patrone averaged 14.6 points and had a career-best 34 points against William & Mary. The Mountaineers compiled a 78-14 record during his career.

Patrone was drafted by the Detroit Pistons in the sixth round of the 1961 NBA Draft.

After graduation, he taught and coached five seasons at Wintersville High (Ohio). Patrone was the recipient of the Carnegie Hero Foundation Award in 1960 after saving a woman from drowning in the Ohio River. After retiring, he relocated to his current home in Miami Beach, Fla.

Patrone and his wife, Barbara, have three children, Tammy, Janie, and Lee Jr., and are the grandparents to five -- Victoria Patrone, Alexandria and Samantha Reese and Brittany and Joshua Fayne.

One of the top inside basketball players in school history, Maurice "Mo" Robinson enjoyed an outstanding career from 1975-78.

A native of Welch, W.Va., Robinson played in 105 games during his career, averaging 12.4 points per contest. He scored 1,307 points (ranks 24th in school

history) and grabbed 881 rebounds (ranks ninth in school history), averaging 8.4 boards during his career. In addition, Robinson shot 52.8 percent from the field during his playing career, which ranks eighth in school history in career field goal percentage.

He is a member of the 1976-85 WVU All-Time Basketball Team. As a senior, Robinson averaged 19.9 points and 11.7 rebounds per game. A four-year letterman who was team captain as a senior, Robinson earned All-Eastern 8 First Team honors in his final season as a Mountaineer.

As a junior, he averaged 15.5 points and 9.8 rebounds and was named All-Eastern 8 Second Team.

Robinson is still the last Mountaineer player to grab 20 or more rebounds in a game when he had 20 against City College of New York on Dec. 7, 1977. He scored a career-high 34 points against Penn State in 1978. Robinson led the Eastern 8 in field goal percentage in 1976-77 at 55.8 percent.

He had 42 double-doubles (fifth in school history), 66 10-point games (23rd in school history) and 19 20-point games (21st in school history). Robinson had 17 double-doubles during his senior season in 1977-78.

Robinson was taken in the ninth round of the 1978 NBA Draft by the Atlanta Hawks.

He was one of the most widely-recruited players in the nation as a senior at Welch High. Robinson scored 1,748 points in high school, averaging 19.4 points per game. He was coach Joedy Gardner's first recruit at WVU.

Robinson has lived in Morgantown since he finished his degree in 1979. He and his wife, Roselle, have three children, Marcel, Martine and Marlan - all graduates of WVU. He is also the proud grandfather of three: Gavinn, Bryson and Braydon.

# BOYS

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Strietbeck, who called the title "surreal—I've never felt so good in my life before," emphasized the team effort.

"I tried to hit my spots—Caleb gets me some good spots to hit—and the defense has been strong as well," Strietbeck said.

For all their efforts, the Mountain Ridge Miners add to the legacy of the schools that Mountain Ridge replaced.

Counting Beall, Mount

Savage, and Bruce, this is the seventh state championship in baseball for the western part of Allegany County that now calls the Miners their home team.

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