

2016
Hall of Fame Inductee



1967 Championship Football Team

Record: Won 9 ... Lost 0 ... Tied 1

*“A lot of teams win titles, but few go unbeaten. If you win today ...
It'll be one of the finest memories of your life.”*

--Coach Pettine before their last game against North Penn

The 1967 Football Team began the dynasty of Central Bucks/Central Bucks West football. It had been 33 years since the last undefeated team and this team not only won the Bux-Mont league title, but did so in legendary Mike Pettine's first year as Head Coach.

"All this team was interested in doing was winning. They didn't care who did the job or got the glory, just as long as the job was done."

This team did their talking on the field. With a record of 9-0-1, they scored 268 points and defensively only gave up 52, averaging only 155 yards per game. They would win close battles with a 20-13 win over Wissahickon and a 12-7 win over the previous year's champs Upper Perk.

This was a TEAM! Everyone remembers the league scoring champ, Eric Bass and the long scoring runs of Ed Williams and Denny Ward. There was the passing of Doug Shobert, who set the all time yardage record to Chappie Allen and Pete Brookfield, the great blocking offensive line of Bob Lebar, Blair McCaw, Rick Messerschmidt, John Cope, and Bill Keresztury, and the tough defensive line of Dick Durrell, Lebar, Barry Snyder, John Case, Harry Long, Butch Monaco, and Scott Green and contributions from other lineman, Bob Patterson, Rick Staudenmayer, Gates Rhodes, Tom Worthington, John Cicak, Steve Hunt, Jim Landis, John Finkbeiner, Jim Stokes, George Brehm, Jack Harbison and John Croman at linebacker, defensive backs Andy Syme, John Leuz, and Joel Gross, and other backfield players Phil Garner, Bill DeCorrevont, Bob Bahner, Bob Colahan, Bob Schickler, and Joe Troxell.

Besides Pettine, the coaching staff of Tom Stricker, Art Davies, Sid Hunsberger, and Dave Kraschik, the prayers of Ralph Michener, the scouts Jim Egloff and Joe Murphy, the statisticians Bob Schaffer, Bob Gilmore, and Jim Nunemaker and the game time chain gang of Art Logan, John Arcade, and Denny Smith all helped build this CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM!

(NOTE: Ford Bothwell, Sports Editor, Daily Intelligencer reported on the team throughout the season and is credited for much of this team biography.)