David A. Herring

Dave was born in 1929 in Elkhart, Indiana, and graduated from Elkhart High School in 1948. He received a B.A. degree from DePauw University in 1952 and an M.S. in Education from Miami University in 1962. At DePauw, Dave played football for two years. After graduation from DePauw, Dave spent most of the next fourteen yeas at Northridge High School where he was a social studies teacher, a baseball coach, a football coach, and eventually principal at Northridge High School. His Northridge service was interrupted for six months in 1963 when he was athletic director in Kettering. He returned to Northridge in January 1964 and finished his education career as high school principal. Dave and his wife Mary Lou have four children. Dave was a member of the Northridge Kiwanis Club and was active in the Northridge community. He left education in 1967 to pursue a successful business career with Josten's Jewelry Company. Providing students with class rings, graduation announcements, etc., permitted him to stay in close contact with Northridge students and schools. Just before Dave died at 48 from Lou Gehrig's disease in 1978, he was honored to have the high school auditorium named for him. In addition, a Dave Herring Memorial Scholarship has been given to NHS graduates for two decades. The scholarship is financed by private donations and the annual Dave Herring golf outing. While at Northridge, Dave changed the lives of countless students and helped many teachers launch successful careers.