



GOOSE CREEK

CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dedication of Sterling Basketball Court to Woody Walker

Walter R. "Woody" Walker, former Ross S. Sterling High School head basketball and golf coach, will be honored with a plaque unveiling and the dedication of the new "Woody Walker Court" in the Winnie Brown Gymnasium. The event will take place Tuesday, December 9, at 7:15 p.m. before the Lee vs. Sterling varsity game at Sterling High School. [View invitation here.](#)

Walker played basketball for Texas A & M University from 1948 to 1952 and then served in the U.S. Air Force. He began his coaching and teaching career in Goose Creek CISD in 1955 at Baytown Junior School and moved to Sterling in 1966, the year the school opened, where he was known as the "Father of Sterling Basketball." His basketball teams earned two district championships and advanced to playoffs eight times. His golf teams won 13 district championships and advanced once to the state finals.

Walker's sons, all former Goose Creek CISD athletes, followed in their father's footsteps as Texas A & M graduates and coaches. David, former basketball and tennis coach at Lee High School; Jim, teacher and coach at Gentry Junior School; and John, former swimming coach at La Porte High School also inherited their father's competitive nature. Daughter Deborah Walker Jentsch, also an Aggie, danced with the Sterling Stars and played four years on the varsity golf team.



Walker's wife Joy, the lone graduate of the University of Texas amidst 13 family members with A & M rings, taught physical education at Robert E. Lee High School and helped start the girls' athletic program. To say that the Walker family has had an influence on Goose Creek athletics is an understatement.

Former Sterling principal and district administrator Dr. Jimmy Creel; Jim Finley, former managing editor of the Baytown Sun; and Al Dennis, former Sterling head football coach and athletic coordinator, will be on

hand at the dedication ceremony to comment on Coach Walker and his influence in guiding his players in athletics as well as in life.

"What is important is the dedication and commitment with which Woody Walker approached his work and the integrity, respect, and citizenship that he imparted to literally thousands of young men who were students and players under Woody's guidance," said Dr. Creel.

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