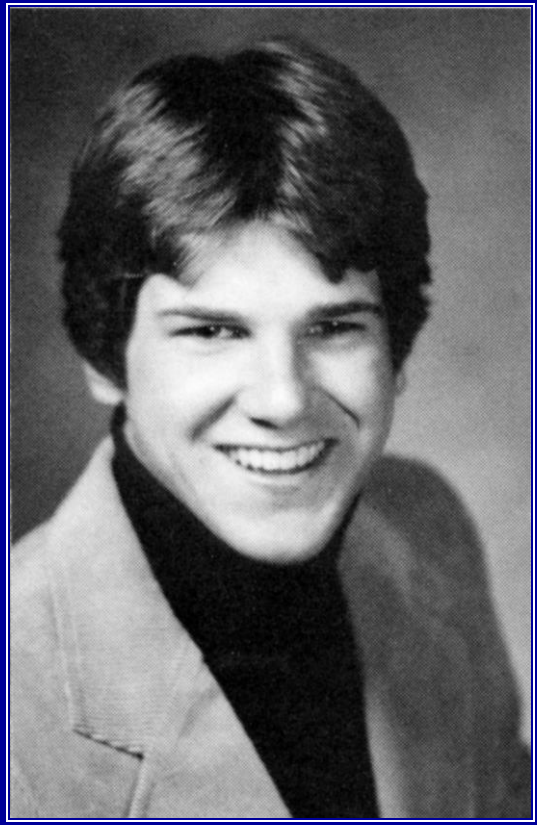


ROBERT ARLEN WHITE



Lunenburg High School's Class of 1981 had its share of impressive athletes; among them was one who stood above the crowd. Bob White distinguished himself as a scholar-athlete and demonstrated his outstanding abilities in three sports: spring track, basketball, and football. In his "street clothes" Bob was the epitome of congeniality. He was easy-going and good-natured, always with a friendly smile. But in uniform, he became a dynamic, determined competitor.

Bob was a major force on the Blue Knights' basketball teams for four years, and his strength and stamina were apparent on the basketball court as well as on the football field. He co-captained both teams during his senior year. It was, however, his heroics in the game of football which really attracted attention.

Under the direction of Coach Walter Dubzinski, Bob anchored center position of the offensive line for the 1979 Division Three Super Bowl Champs. In his junior and senior years he was named a Wachusett League All Star for two different positions: center, and offensive/defensive end. In both of these years he

was also selected to the All Star Teams of the Worcester Telegram and the Fitchburg Sentinel.

In his senior year, Bob was presented the William Tapply Award for Outstanding Lineman of the Year, and was chosen to participate in the prestigious Shriners' All Star Game in Boston.

In addition to these highlights, Bob's outstanding athletic attributes and accomplishments were acknowledged when, in his senior year, he was the recipient of the LHS Athlete of the Year Award.

Bob White's award-winning experiences did not end with his graduation from LHS. Upon receiving a scholarship to play football at the University of Rhode Island, Bob went on to center their offensive line, and was named, in his senior year, to the All East Team in the Yankee Conference, and given Honorable Mention as an "All American".

During his final year at URI, Bob was drafted by the New York Jets in the 7th round, and later cut. However, the following year, he was invited to the Dallas Cowboys; he made the team and played for them for three years as back-up center. A neck injury in 1990 forced him to decline an invitation from the New England Patriots, and he retired from the game.

Recently, Bob was honored by his alma mater as he was inducted into URI'S Hall of Fame.

Today, the LHS Athletic Hall of Fame proudly acknowledges the outstanding athletic achievements of Bob White and proudly welcomes him into its membership.