

Jim Scannella

2009 SRVHS ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

Jim Scannella, Class of 1979:

Jim is the last of our three State Champions in track to be elected to the SRVHS Athletic Hall of Fame. Jim won the 110 High Hurdles and placed second in the 330 yard Low Hurdles. Jim was voted to the Adidas High School All-American two-way football player as well. Jim has three school records in track (110 HH, 330 LH, 4 x 100 Relay) and one that still stands today.

After High School, Jim culminated a great college track career by qualifying and competing in the Olympic Trials.

The many records Jim has recorded in the late 70's and early 80's are numerous. In addition to the above, he holds SRVHS records in 120yd High Hurdles, as well as 330yd Low Hurdles.

As a football player he was one of only two juniors to start every game and was part of the 1979 EBAL championship first team offense (with an average 19.9 yards per catch) and had his record long catch all in the same year.

His track career continued in college as Collegiate All-American 4 x 400M relay (still 2nd all-time at Cal), Pac-10 1984 he was MVP and later qualified and competed in the Olympic trials.

Jim coaches hurdlers at the HS level where he has coached to state meets. He was also a naval aviator from 1979-1984 and lives in South Carolina with his wife and two children.