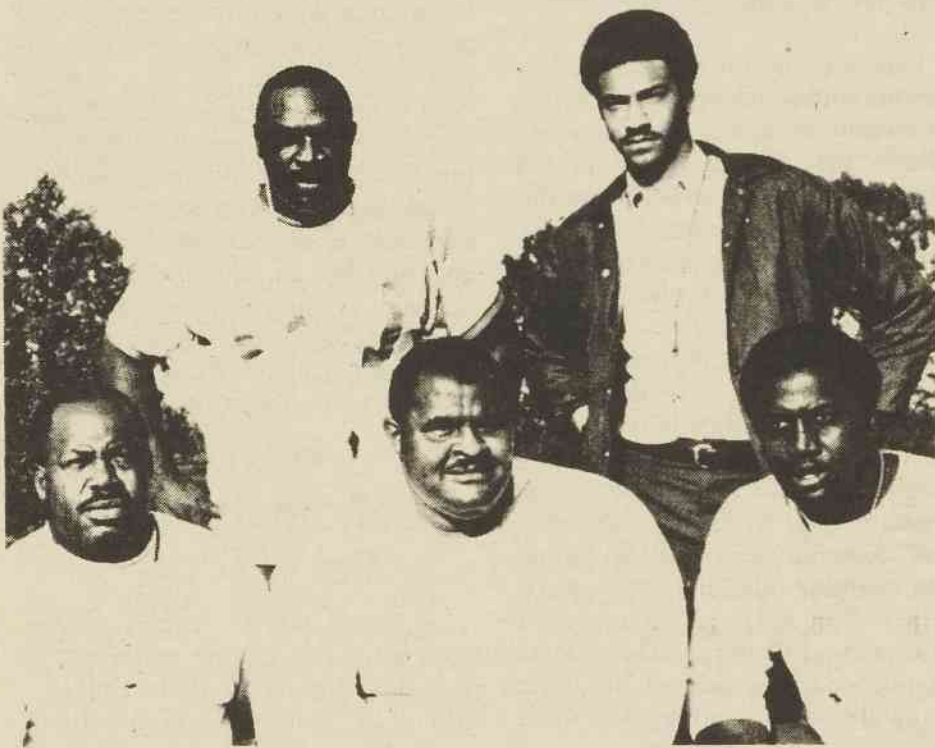


SPORTS

CLEO WALLACE

'SU MOURNS THE DEATH OF "TINY"



Cleo "Tiny" Wallace [front row, middle] is pictured as head coach of the Rams Football Team. Wallace led the Rams to a CIAA Title in 1971 and was also chosen Coach of the Year. Pictured left to right are [front row]: Johnny Miller, Wallace, and John Love. Back row left to right: Billy Adams and Allen McManus.

By Everett Jackson

Winston-Salem State University (WSSU) and the entire Triad community were saddened by the death of Cleo "Tiny" Wallace. Wallace, 52, was assistant professor of physical education, women's basketball head coach and assistant athletic director at WSSU. He will long be remembered for his skills as an excellent coach and teacher, for his warm sense of humor and ultimately, for his respect toward mankind.

Wallace was born April 24, 1928, in Madison County, Georgia. He eventually became a resident of Newark, New Jersey, where he enrolled in the Essex County High Schools. While in high school, Wallace excelled in athletics. He lettered in football, basketball and football, and in 1947, Wallace was signed to a grant-in-aid by Clarence Gaines, athletic director at WSSU.

"He was a man of remarkable courage and was a great influence upon everyone he met," stated Gaines, an associate of Wallace for 30 memorable years. "He was the ideal friend and a great person to work with. He got the job done."

Following his graduation from WSSU, Wallace enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and continued to excel in

athletics. While in the Air Force, Wallace was named to the All Air Force Football Team. In 1952, Wallace became a member of the Cleveland Browns Professional Football Team. Although his stay was brief, Wallace had seen his childhood dream blossom into reality.

Wallace returned to his alma mater in 1966 as line coach and became the fourth head coach of the Rams football team in 1970. Wallace guided the Rams to their first CIAA Divisional Championship in 1971 and was also chosen CIAA Coach of the Year (1971).

Wallace was dedicated to athletics and to humanity. Cheryl Burke, a member of the Ramettes basketball team, who was coached by Wallace for two years, recalls her experiences with "Tiny." "He was a great coach. He helped me with my academic, as well as athletic goals. He was a great person. I'm going to miss him."

Chancellor Covington referred to Wallace as being an outstanding person and a highly respected friend and colleague.

A member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Wallace leaves to mourn, his wife, Gwendolyn; one son, Kevin Girard; and a host of relatives, friends and admirers.

Sports-In-Brief

By Everett Jackson

Tennis - The tennis team, spearheaded by the dynamic duo of sophomore **Kevin Crawford** and freshman **Tyrone Brooks**, are off to a grand start. The netters, under the direction of **Coach Al Roseboro**, are 8-4 and are battling for the Southern Division Championship.

The **Southern Division Tournament** will be held April 24-25 at Hanes Park in Winston-Salem. The Rams, along with conference rival **St. Augustine's** are expected to do well in the 2-day event.

The **CIAA Championship**, the grand finale of tennis, will be played **May 1-2** on the campus of **Elizabeth City State University**. Representatives from both the **Southern** and **Northern** divisions will be competing.

Golf - Another season of golf is ready to "tee-off." Golf, coached by Al Roseboro, is virtually an unsung sport that can rise above the deck with student support and can become "a-hole-in-one."

Wrestling - **Mike Edwards**, the coach who silently but effectively restored wrestling at WSSU, was named **NAIA Coach of the Year**. Edwards, who coached the team to two CIAA Championships states, "We've only just begun."

Track - **Head Coach Virgil Simpson** is seeking to restore track at WSSU. Once a powerhouse in the mid-60's and early 70's, the team has had its share of problems, ultimately in recruiting. However, behind the talents of **Jack Cameron**, **Ron Johnson**, **Stanley King** and **Greg Nunn**, Simpson hopes to solve the problems and gain success. Thus far, the Rams have been impressive and have shown vast signs of improvement.

The **women's track team**, led by the multi-explosive trio of **Vanessa Smith**, **Candace Hamilton** and **Bonita Reed**, are racing toward a successful season. Simpson praises the team and feels it will be very competitive in the always tough CIAA Conference.

Softball - The **women's softball team** is pitching their way to a winning and exciting season. With an 8-2 record, **Coach Willie Yellock** feels the combination of youth and experience is the key to the team's drastic turnaround. **Terry McPherson** and **Betty Drake** are among the key performers who spark the Ramettes.

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL - For the second consecutive year, **Joint Section** came out on top in the **Intramural Championship**. Led by player/coaches **Clayton "C.C." Caldwell**, **Milton Lewis**, **Ike Francis**, **Johnnie White**, **Malcom Pharr**, **Larry Cozart** and **Jay McClain**, Joint Section concluded the season with an untouched, unspoiled and unbeaten 7-0 record. As a team, they led the league in scoring with an average of 50 points per game and outscored their opponents by a margin of 15 points.

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Date	Sport	Opponent	Site	Time
April 6	Softball	*St. Augustine	Raleigh	2:00
6-7	Golf	Virginia State	Lee Park, Petersburg, Va.	10:30
7	Tennis	J.C. Smith U.	Winston-Salem	1:30
8	Tennis	A&T	Winston-Salem	1:30
9	Tennis	N.C. Central	Winston-Salem	1:30
10	Tennis	Virginia State	Petersburg, Va.	1:30
11	Track	Carolina Relays	Chapel Hill	10:00
11	Tennis	Elizabeth City	Elizabeth City	1:30
12	Tennis	St. Paul's	Lawrenceville, Va.	1:30
13	Tennis	Shaw Univ.	Winston-Salem	1:30
13-14	Golf	Livingstone	Corbin Hills, Salisbury	10:30
18	Track	Norfolk Relays	Norfolk, Va.	10:00
24	Tennis	St. Augustine	Winston-Salem	2:00
24	Softball	Fayetteville	Fayetteville	2:00
24-25	CIAA	Southern Division	Tennis	
25	Track	Elizabeth City	Elizabeth City	10:00
26-28	NAIA Championship - Golf		District Site	8:00
28	NAIA District Tournament		Women's Softball	
30	Golf +	South Carolina S.	Edisto, Orangeburg, S.C.	9:00
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May 1-2	CIAA Championship - Golf		Elizabeth City	10:30
May 1-2	CIAA Championship - Track		Elizabeth City	10:00
May 1-2	CIAA Tournament Women's Softball		Elizabeth City	
May 1-2	CIAA Tennis Championship			
28-30	NCAA II Division - Track		Western, Illinois	
To be announced:	NAIA Championships - Track		N.C. A&T	

*Doubleheader

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