



WILLIAM BEDFORD

OV EDUCATOR & COACH 1967 - 1997

MATH TEACHER, DRIVER ED INSTRUCTOR, COACH. BILL WORE MANY HATS DURING HIS 30 YEARS SERVICE AT OV. YET, FOR THOSE WHOSE LIFE HE TOUCHED, HE IS REMEMBERED FOR SO MUCH MORE. "ENCOURAGER", "HAD A WAY OF MAKING EACH OF US FEEL SPECIAL" "PUT HIS HEART & SOUL INTO EVERYTHING HE DID" ARE JUST SOME OF THE THINGS FORMER STUDENTS HAVE SAID ABOUT HIM.

BILL HAD A WAY OF TEACHING THAT HELPED MAKE LEARNING MORE ENJOYABLE. FROM MATH GAMES DURING CLASS TO LESSONS THAT ENCOURAGED STUDENT ENGAGEMENT, HE TRIED TO MAKE EACH STUDENT FEEL A PART OF THE LEARNING PROCESS. FROM PUTTING "I LIKE MATH" ON TOP OF ASSIGNMENTS TO BEING "THE LIFE OF THE PARTY" IN HIS CLASSROOM, BILL DID WHATEVER HE COULD TO HELP HIS STUDENTS ACHIEVE SUCCESS, EVEN FOR THOSE WHO "HATED TO DO MATH."

AS ONE STUDENT EXPRESSED "HE WAS THE MR. FEENY OF OUR TIME. I LEARNED MORE LIFE LESSONS THAN ALGEBRA... BUT HE WAS THE BEST AT TEACHING OUTSIDE THE BOX FOR THOSE WHO NEEDED IT THE MOST"

BILL INDEED PUT HIS HEART & SOUL INTO ALL HE DID FOR HIS "KIDS" & OUR COMMUNITY IS SO MUCH THE BETTER FOR HIS EFFORTS.