

## ***J. R. Tucker Hall of Fame Inductees for 2009***

### **Rusty Curle - Coach**

Rusty Curle arrived at Tucker in 1988 after a successful coaching tenure at New Kent High School. During his 14 years as Tucker's Head Coach, he won 64 games which is a record for the most wins by any football coach in the school history. His career total wins ( including New Kent ) rank in the top 100 all-time in the history of the VHSL. Under his guidance, Coach Curle recorded the only decade at JRT ( 1990's ) with a winning record. He lead Tucker to their only Regional Playoff berth in the school history ( 1992 ). During the 1992 season Tucker received a 1<sup>st</sup> place vote in the Associated Press State AAA poll. Rusty was an outstanding coach and his greatest attributes are his character and his love for the game of football.

### **Ray Long – Class of 1966**

Ray Long is best known as the long time football coach at Patrick Henry High School. As a student at Tucker he was a four year letterman in both football and track. Four year lettermen on the varsity level are very rare today. Ray has served 14 years as the head coach at Patrick Henry. In 1994 his team won the State Championship. During his tenure he has won 7 District, 3 Regional, 1 State championship. His overall record at PH is 115 wins – 40 lost – 1 tie.

### **Matthew Schibner – Class of 1979**

Matt Schibner was a two star athlete for Tucker during the late 70's. As a basketball player, Matt played 4 years and served as co-captain his Jr. and Sr. years. He was selected MVP for both his Jr. and Sr. seasons. His senior year he was selected to the 2<sup>nd</sup> team All-Metro. As a baseball player, Matt lettered for 3 varsity years as a pitcher and second baseman. As a junior his team won the District, Regional, and State titles. As a senior, Matt and his teammates duplicated his Jr. year by winning the District, Regional, and State titles. He was selected to the 1<sup>st</sup> team All-Metro and selected for the State All- Star team. He was the winning pitcher in that game. Matt went on to play for Louisburg College. In 1981 he was drafted by the Pittsburgh Pirates. In 1982, he signed with the Detroit Tigers playing single A ball.

### **Jon Shields – Class of 1993**

Jon Shields made his mark in football. In 1991 John was selected to the 2<sup>nd</sup> team All-District. In '92 he was 1<sup>st</sup> team All-District, 1<sup>st</sup> team All-Regional and 2<sup>nd</sup> team All-Metro. He served as the team captain and was voted best offensive player of the year for Tucker in 1992. He was a 3 year starter and holds 5 school records. Season records include: total rushing yards – 1,412, carries - 287, TD's – 15, points scored – 96. His career records include: TD's – 18, rushing yards – 2,033, carries – 455. He also had nine 100 yard games. John was an outstanding athlete and individual.