

DALE PECK

There's an old baseball expression that no doubt fits Dale Peck to a T: When he was on top of his game, "he could bring it."

Indeed, Peck, who lettered in baseball and basketball for Reeds High School back in the late 1950s (he graduated from Reeds in 1958), was a nearly untouchable right-handed pitcher for Reeds. He was named most valuable pitcher for Davidson County in 1957.

He also played for the Post 8 American Legion baseball team for two seasons.

As talented as he was in baseball, he was also strong in basketball, where he was a 6-foot tall force in the low post. He was named honorable mention all-Davidson County in 1957, and eventually was offered a basketball scholarship to Atlantic Christian College (now Barton College) in Wilson, NC.

Peck was also a standout fast-pitch softball player, once striking out 15 batters in a seven-inning game. He also batted .500 for an entire season.



He later became a football official and baseball umpire for the Western North Carolina High School Athletic Association.

As good as he was in athletics, his most significant contributions may have come from sitting on various boards and committees to serve his community, including the board of the West Davidson Sports Hall of Fame.

Even now, Peck is a member of the board of directors of the Davidson County Sports Hall of Fame, showing that once again, he can still bring it.