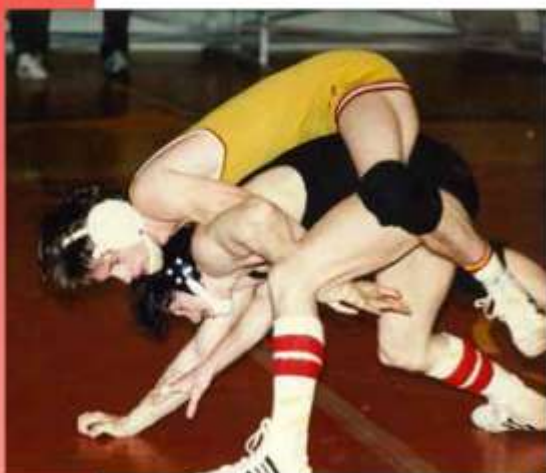




2015 Inductee

JAY LINEBERRY



Do any wrestling coaches come as well prepared as Jay Lineberry?

A native of Burlington, Lineberry was a standout wrestler for Southern Alamance, where he won more than 100 matches for the Patriots, who won the state championship in 1976.

Lineberry helped Southern Alamance finish as state runners-up in 1977, and then he earned personal honors with an individual state title at 115 pounds in 1978.

After high school, Lineberry attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he was a member of the 1979 Atlantic Coast Conference championship team. He

transferred to Elon College the following year and became a three-time first team all-conference and all-district wrestler. He was also a four-time NAIA national qualifier and a two-time NAIA All-American. In 1982 he was named the Carolina Conference Wrestler of the Year and finished his career at Elon with an 89-7-1 record.

Lineberry came to Central Davidson in 1987 and coached wrestling there until 2001 before taking a sabbatical. He resumed the position in 2004 to the present.

The Spartans were the dual team state runners-up in 1991.

In 25 years, Lineberry has a record of 235 victories, 121 losses and one tie. He has coached 104 all-conference wrestlers, 64 state qualifiers, six individual state champions and 19 individual runners-up.

He is enshrined in the Southern Alamance and Elon College halls of Fame and he was inducted into The National Wrestling Hall of Fame, North Carolina Chapter, at the Friday Center in Chapel Hill earlier this year.

Lineberry and his wife, Angel, have two children, Arrington, 17; and Catherine, 14.

