



2016 Inductee

LISA JANINE WARD



In the early 1980s, one name kept popping up whenever you talked about girls' sports at East Davidson.

Lisa Ward.

It certainly didn't hurt that she was relatively tall — she stood at 5-foot-10 as a freshman in 1980 — and that in itself made her a considerable factor in both basketball and volleyball.

But she also turned out to be a formidable pitcher in softball before the game turned to the fast pitch game in 1996, and she was also a 200-meter hurdler in track.

As a basketball player in the low post, Ward helped the Eagles to an 18-9 record in her freshman year. It was the start of a strong career that saw her score her 1,000th point in her senior season, when she also averaged 16.6 points and 7.8 rebounds per game.

In softball, Ward led the team to a 1-A/2-A state title in her senior year, defeating South Robeson 12-5 and 5-2 in the best-of-three series. It was the first state championship of any sport in the school's history.

Ward signed a basketball/softball scholarship with Guilford College, which at the time was regarded as the second largest scholarship package offered to a female athlete by the college.

Ward graduated from Guilford College in 1988 and has taught physical education and health in both the Guilford County and Davidson County school systems.

