



## 2013 Inductee

### M. GENE POINDEXTER

If ever a coach and his team arrived at the right time and the right place, it was clearly Gene Poindexter and Central Davidson softball.

In a remarkable span, from 2006 to 2011, the Spartans reached the 2-A Final Four six consecutive times and produced an astounding three straight state championships in 2007, 2008 and 2009.

As if that wasn't enough, Central Davidson put together an incredible 33-0 record in 2008 and used it as a foundation for 64 consecutive victories over three seasons.

He was named Coach of the Year seven times.

Whew.

But there's more. In a career that spanned 26 years at Central Davidson, Poindexter also coached cross country while helping in football, boys' basketball and baseball.

In 2005 he became Central's athletic director, a position he held until his retirement this past spring. During that span, Central won the Cushwa Cup in 2012 and 2013 and the Sportsmanship Award in five of those eight years as AD.



Poindexter is a 1979 graduate of East Davidson where he was the starting shortstop for the baseball team and was named the Male Athlete of the Year in 1979. He then attended Appalachian State University, where he graduated in 1983.

Poindexter first coached at West Montgomery in 1983-84, then came to Denton in 1985. Two years later, he was at Central Davidson, where he spent the rest of his career.

Poindexter and his wife, Tina, have one adult child, Cayce, 25.