



2010 Inductee

Moyer (Moe) Gray Smith, Sr.

Lexington's Moyer Smith, 72, just might be one of the most versatile performers ever to wear the Yellow Jackets' blue and orange.

A 1957 graduate of Lexington Senior High School, Smith was the first four-sport letterman in the school's history, where he played football, basketball, golf and track.

In football, he was all-conference, all-state and all-Southern honoree. In one standout season, he rushed for 1,375 yards in just 99 attempts for the Jackets, good for 14 yards per carry.

He participated in the Shrine Bowl game in 1957 and was rated as the No.2 college prospect in North Carolina. After mulling over 30 scholarship offers, he played football at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill on an athletic scholarship, where he was the starting halfback.

In track, he set a record of 21 feet, 9 inches in the long jump at Lexington. After college he coached high school football at Lexington, R.J. Reynolds and Albemarle, then in 1971 coached the UNC freshman football team to a 14-1 record.



In 1986 he became president of The Education Foundation in Chapel Hill, where he increased the endowment fund from \$13 million to more than \$101 million before retiring from the position in 2001.

He also served on the Board of Directors for the North Carolina Division of the American Cancer Society (1986-88) and in 1997 served as its president.

