



2014 Inductee

WADE YOUNTS

Do you know anybody from Davidson County who could outscore soon-to-be Wake Forest basketball standout Dickie Hemric?



Wade Younts could. And did.

In 1949, Younts, playing for Davis-Townsend in The Journal and Sentinel's Northwest Basketball Tournament, scored 19 points to lead Davis-Townsend to a victory against Jonesville. Hemric, by contrast, scored 14 points for the losing team.

Younts was a consistent standout player in his own right. In 1948, playing in the Northwest tournament, he scored a total of 83 points and finished second in total scoring. The following year, he averaged 20 points per game.

In 1949, he was one of 12 players picked from a field of 970 players to make the all-star team. In 1950, he was chosen to the team from a pool of 1,100 players.

He was also named to The Dispatch All-Davidson County team in 1949 and 1950, and was an unanimous choice to the team in 1949, a year in which he was selected as Davidson County's Outstanding Performer during the regular season.

Younts, 84, and his wife, Myrtie, have four children: Trisha, 63; Greg, 60, Connie, 59, and Steve, 54.

