

**William Carlton Allen
Athlete
1974-1977**

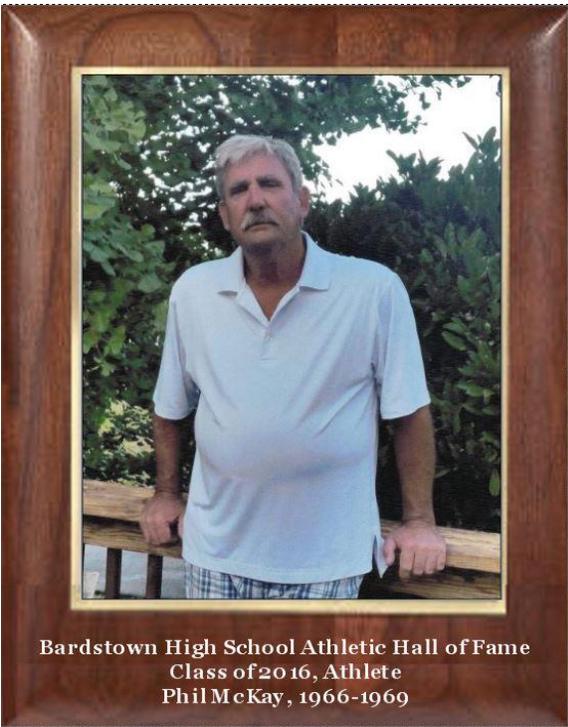
Carlton Allen was a multi-sport athlete for Bardstown High School. He participated in football, basketball and track. A powerful runner in football, he made the Courier-Journal All-State Squad in 1976, All Mid-Kentucky Conference Team-Football and was Co-captain of his team for two years. In many games, his defensive unit slammed the door shut on the other team's offense. Along with Carlton on defense were Vincent Downs, Sammy Samuels, Johnny Haydon, Mark Etheredge, Jimmy Royalty, Wayne Littlejohn and Anthony Ashford.

In basketball, Carlton made the All-Mid Kentucky Conference Team and was Basketball Co-captain for two years. He was a double digit scorer and relentless on defense.

Carlton was a member of the 1977 Kentucky Class A Track State Championship team. Along with team members Jeff Hickman, Warren Downs, and Jimmy Phillips, Carlton was the anchorman coming from behind to capture the mile relay state championship in 1977 with a time of (3:31.0). Coach Tom Williams stated, "He didn't panic. He caught the Bellevue kid and passed him in the final 100 yards. The timer told us Carlton ran the final quarter in 49.9. That's unreal!" The mile relay gave Bardstown a total of 29 points. Madison followed with 22; Harrodsburg 19; Bellevue 18. His mile relay team was region champions. He was 3rd at state in the 440 yard dash (52.1); 2nd at Region in 220 yard dash (share-holder Bardstown 220 yard record with Wendel Rogers and Billy Graham); 2nd at region as member of the 880 yard Relay; 1976/1977 MKC and Regional winner of Mile Relay; MKC and Regional winner in the 440 in 1977; and a member of the mile relay Bardstown record team (1976 State 3:23.30).

After high school, Carlton and Jimmy "Kroger" Phillips enlisted in the Air Force. While on the Air Force's Delayed Enlistment Program, Carlton earned a B.S. in Business & Tech Management from Saint Leo University, Saint Leo, Florida and an A.A.S. in Information Management from the Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell AFB, Alabama. While in the Air Force, Carlton earned multiple Air Combat Command Awards: 2009 Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association Meritorious Service Award; 2007 Civilian Professional of the Year; 2007 Communications and Informational Professional of the Year; 2007 Blacks in Government Meritorious Service Award; 2006 Information Assurance Program Manager of the Year; and 2005 AF Association Outstanding Air Force Civilian of the Year.

Some of Carlton's favorite memories of high school include going to Bluegrass Boys State, being selected for Who's Who among American High School Students, being elected for Junior and Senior Class Vice President, serving as Vice President of Student Council and being President of the Afro American Club.



**Phil McKay
Athlete
1966-1969**

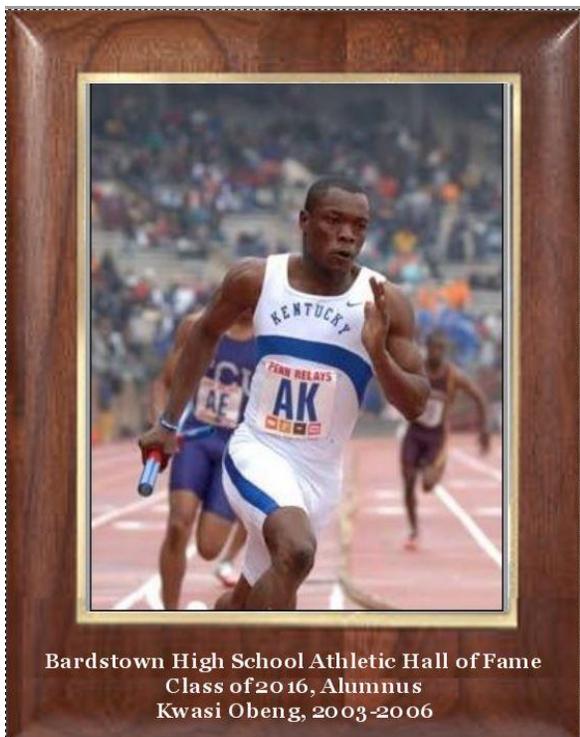
Phil McKay, a multi-sport athlete lettering for three years in football, basketball and baseball, was selected 1st team All-State Offensive End for Class A Football in his junior/senior years and Second Team All-State for overall classes both years. Locally, he was selected All Mid-Kentucky Conference for two years in football having 36 touchdowns over 3 years as a Tiger and the longest pass reception for 98 yards against Shelbyville (1967). Listed in the Courier-Journal's Fine End Crop being wooed by South Eastern Conference teams, Phil played for the West Squad in the 1969 East-West All-Star Game and went on to play for University of Kentucky.

After the 1967 football championship, *The Kentucky Standard* headlines, "Bardstown Region

Champs 1967" and "Rampaging Tigers Rake Up Garrard County 26-20". Tigers met the 11th ranked, unbeaten Garrard County team on their home field in Lancaster as a 10-point underdog and vaulted into the semifinal round of the State Class A playoff. On November 10, 1967, Coach Garnis Martin's team took an 8-1-0 record into the game, having lost to Frankfort in their first game. Falling behind in the championship 13-0 in the second quarter, quarterback Alan Bottom passed twice to his end Phil McKay, for a touchdown with seven minutes left in the first half. After the Trojans fumbled on their 36 yard line, Larry Donald recovered for the Tigers and Bottom passed to McKay scoring the second touchdown. The winning Tiger touchdown came in the last four minutes of the 4th quarter after Bottom scored on a short run after a McKay interception. Quarterback Bottom gave credit to his offensive line for giving him time to find a receiver. The defensive play of the team held the Trojans to only two touchdowns and a final score of 20-13 making the Tigers the "Toast of the town!" Old KY Home High School football coach stated, "I've never seen a better high school end than Bardstown's Phil McKay."

In basketball, Phil was selected as All-Region Basketball one year and Honorable Mention for one year. His 1969 Team won the Region 5 title, making Bardstown's first trip to the State Tournament since 1949. Phil, Danny Gilkey and Buddy Martin combined for 52 points in a 68-67 squeaker over Hart Memorial High School.

Phil's fondest memories include the real fun he had with friends and the girls he knew. Phil took great pride in Coach Martin's telling him, "that of all the athletes he had coached, Phil was the best." Whether Coach Martin meant it or not, it was one of Phil's proudest days. Phil is very proud that his family began the Nelson County Handicap Association initiated by Nancy G. McKay. Phil's brother Tommy managed the association while Phil performed many tasks for the program. The same qualities, that made Phil a great athlete, lead him to a successful life with family and job opportunities, representing Bardstown High School well.



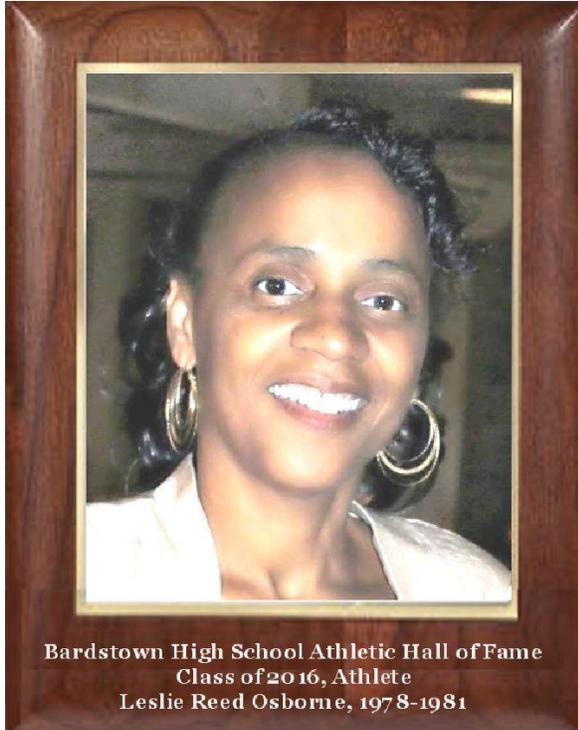
**Kwasi Obeng
Alumnus
2003-2006**

Kwasi Obeng has been called “one of the fastest athletes to ever wear the purple and gold of Bardstown High School.” A four-year letterman in track, he was two-time State Class A 400m State Champion, 2006 Indoor Class A State Champion in 400m, BHS 400m record holder (49.15), 3200m Relay team BHS record holder in 2006 (8:33.25), 500 point Club and 2004 State Male Athlete of the Year (Track and Field). On his 3-time Class A State Champions team, (2004-2006), he was 1st Team Class A All-State in 400m (2005, 2006), 4x400m Relay (2005,2006) and was 2nd Team Class A All-State in 200m (2005, 2006). In football as a three-year letterman, Kwasi become All-State Class AA in 2005, 2004 District Player of the Year, and All-District in football in 2004 and 2005.

As a 4-year athletic scholarship letterman at the University of Kentucky, Kwasi was NCAA All-American on the 4x400 and 4x100 Meter Relays 2008 – 2010, University of Kentucky Record in 4x400 Meter Relay in 2008, First Team All-SEC 4x400 Meter Relay 2008, Second Team All Mid-East Regional 4x100 Meter Relay 2008, 2008 NCAA Outdoor Third Place, 2008 NCAA MidEast Regional Fourth Place 4x100 Meters, 2008 SEC Outdoor champion in 4x400 Relay, 2008 All SEC Outdoor First Team, 2008 NCAA Indoor Semifinalist 4x400 Relay, and University of Kentucky Varsity Record Holder – Outdoor 4x400 Relay (3:02). His best records in college were: 60m (6.73), 100m (10.79), 200m indoor (21.41), 200m outdoor (21.57), 400m indoor (47.42), 400m outdoor (47.25) and 800m indoor (2:14).

Active off the track, he was a member of the National Honor Society, received the Youth Optimist Award, the Frank G. Ham Society of Character Award Recipient from the University of Kentucky, William C. Parker Scholarship recipient for academic excellence, All Southeastern Conference Academic Honor Roll, University of Kentucky Dean's List, and Co-Rep of Outreach for University of Kentucky AIA (Athletes in Action). He graduated from the University of Kentucky in 2010 with BA in Kinesiology and Exercise Science and Received an MBA in Finance and a Master’s in Healthcare Administration.

His fondest memories include a game-winning kickoff return after leaving the second quarter for the hospital for stitches in his lip, winning three straight track and field State Championships, Elliot Mattingly setting the discus school record, the track and field team and the Coaches. He accepts this special honor in memory of Coach Tom Williams for pushing him to the path of success. “He was a great coach not only on the track or football field, but also in life,” said Kwasi. Giving God thanks first, he thanks Benjamin and Dora Obeng as supportive parents and feels his induction is a great honor and testament to the great people of Bardstown for the endless support they have given him.



Leslie Reed Osborne
Athlete
1978-1981

A multiple sport athlete, Leslie Reed Osborne was a four-year letterman in basketball and five year-letterman in track and field. On the basketball court, she was Honorable Mention All-State (1980, 1981), Honorable Mention All-Region, All-District and All Mid-Kentucky Conference during her high school career. Leslie led her team in scoring with 12.5 points per game and set a single game scoring record of 31 points in one game. She also won the free throw award for her team. Not only an outstanding offensive player, Leslie also led her team in steals.

On the running track, Leslie managed to garner several awards. She was All Mid-Kentucky Conference in 1979 and runner-up for the team season High Point Award. She was the 5th Region

long jump champion, a member of the Region 5 Mile Relay champions and her mile relay team was 4th in the State Track Championship. Her mile relay team was the first girls' relay team from Bardstown to medal at the state championship. In 1980, Leslie took the team season High Point Award, was 1st in the Mid-Kentucky Conference in 110 meter hurdles as well as All Mid-Kentucky Conference Track & Field for the second year in a row.

Leslie has worked at American Greetings for more than 30 years. She has been a foster parent and watched her three children graduate from Bardstown High School. Her love of sports led her to coach Little League for ten years. She coached basketball at the Bardstown Recreation Center, Bardstown Elementary and Middle schools. She coached both boys and girls and also coached softball a couple of years. Leslie's favorite memories are playing in the Father/Daughter basketball games her junior/senior years and being voted Most Athletic Girl by the senior class. The friendships she had while playing high school basketball and running track are cherished and continue to this day.