



Raymond Carter, “Killer Ray” as he was known, dominated the position of defensive end for the Bobcats. As a graduate of 1971, not only was Ray one of the hardest hitting players in Wattsburg history, but also one of the fastest. This combination created terror for those opposing players tasked with running the ball his direction. Ray was chosen to play in the 1971 Save an Eye Allstar game, but Uncle Sam and the U.S. Marines came calling. After his tour of duty, Mr. Carter went back to Erie and continued his football career with the Erie Express semi-pro team along with his brother Tony. After hanging up his cleats, he went on to coach Little Gridders football in the inner city of Erie. Ray had the opportunity to help mold some of the top players to come out of Erie such as Indiana Colts, Super Bowl champion, Bob Sanders. Ray, lovingly called his players his little “knuckleheads”, always providing that father figure/coach relationship. Raymond’s grandson Koran Williams was a top player for Erie Cathedral Prep and went onto play in the National Championship game in Daytona, Florida with the Erie Express semi-pro team. Koran presented his winning Championship Ring to his grandfather for all Ray did for him over the years. After several years working at the Erie General Electric, Ray enjoys retirement with his wife and family in Erie and takes humorous pride in being known as the neighborhood snow removal expert. When the subject comes up, “Killer Ray Carter” gives all the credit of a good life to Coach Bob Diffenbacher. *“Coach was right there with God when it came to getting me through all those difficult times in my life.”*