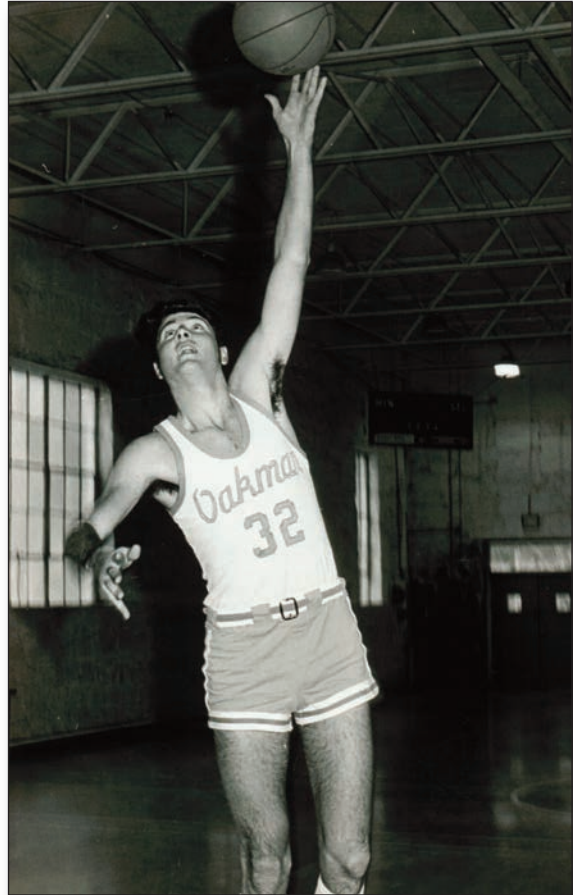


KEITH JOHNSON

KEITH WAS BORN IN JACKSON, TENNESSEE TO PAUL AND WILMA JOHNSON. HIS FAMILY

moved to Walker County in 1957 where he grew up in Oakman. His love of both baseball and basketball began at an early age. In his early years, he played first base and was chosen to the All-Star teams until his seventh grade year when he began playing on the high school team.

His baseball career as an Oakman Wildcat was very successful. He only lost two games as a pitcher his entire four years. He also excelled on the basketball court as a four year starter. He was selected as All-County his sophomore, junior, and senior years, All Wal-Win Conference his junior and senior years, listed on the All-State roster all three years, and made 1st Team All-State his senior year.



Keith signed a baseball/basketball scholarship to play at Saint Bernard College in Cullman where he decided, after his freshman year, to only play baseball. He finished his baseball career as a pitcher for the Saints with a record of 23 wins and only 6 losses. He led the Southern States Conference with the lowest ERA for two consecutive years. He says he was blessed to grow up with and play with a group of very good athletes and gives them the credit for the success he has achieved.

After graduating from college, he returned to Walker County and worked with the youth basketball program for a number of years in Jasper.

Keith has been a part of a family owned business in the county since his college days. He married his high school sweetheart, Candy Crump. They have two children, Summer Cantrell and Dustin Johnson and five beautiful grandchildren.