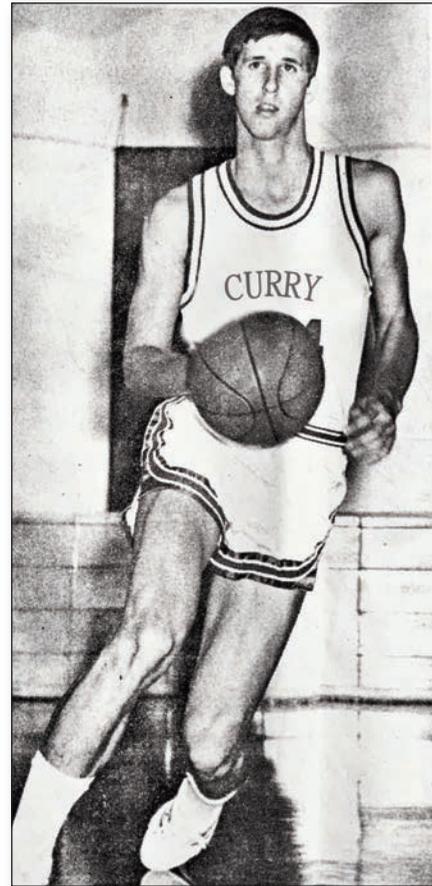


## ROGER WILSON

**R**OGER WAS BORN JANUARY 26, 1952, IN WALKER COUNTY TO JAMES AND INEZ WILSON,

the youngest of six brothers and two sisters. From an early age, Roger loved to compete - be it in school athletics or against his five older brothers, all of whom played multiple sports. And, from an early age through high school and on to college, Roger was usually the best competitor around, whether he found himself on a field, a court, or a track.

Roger was a star athlete in multiple sports from the moment he entered Curry High School. In basketball, he was a perennial all-state, all-county, and all-conference player, a tournament MVP, and averaged over 20 points per game his sophomore, junior, and senior years. He led the Yellow Jackets to 20+ win seasons each year. He was an all-state football player his junior and senior years, competed in the North/South All Star Football Game, and received multiple in-county awards during his high school football career. He was a baseball all-star, having been selected to compete in the North/South All Star Baseball Game, and won the 50 and 100 yard dash in the Walker/Winston County track meet three years running. Roger was known as the best athlete around -- excelling in every sport he attempted.



After high school, Roger earned a scholarship to play basketball at Walker College under legendary coach Glen Clem, and played on the first baseball team Walker College ever had. Following his career at Walker, Roger attended Saint Bernard College on a basketball scholarship, where he led the Saints for three years, averaging double figures, and graduated with a degree in secondary education.

After college, Roger returned to Walker County and served four years as head baseball coach and an assistant football coach at Walker High School. He officiated basketball for over thirty years, serving as a college official for ten years.

Following his coaching career, Roger became a successful business owner with State Farm Insurance and has now been with State Farm for 37 years. In addition to his success in athletics and business, Roger has served the community as past member and president of Kiwanis Club of Jasper and as a member of the Jasper Parks and Recreation Board and the Jasper Civil Service Board. He serves as a deacon at Sixth Avenue Church of Christ.

Roger considers his greatest accomplishment to be his family. He has been married to the former Janet Nunnally of Jasper for 39 years. They have two sons and a daughter-in-law, Grant and Patrick and his wife, Jessica, and one grandson, Colt.