

Marion O. Johnson

Football



Marion O. Johnson attended Dunbar HS in Livingston where he was a lineman and linebacker on the 1958 state championship team. He led the team in tackles as a senior averaging over 15 per game and was named the team's most outstanding lineman and defensive player of the year.

He was an honor graduate from Dunbar in 1960, was student council president, and president of the school's New Farmers of America Chapter that went to state competitions for livestock judging teams three times. He received an academic scholarship to Prairie View A&M where he earned a degree in agriculture in 1964.

Johnson began teaching vocational agriculture at Douglas HS in Cleveland where he was also an assistant football coach. He left teaching in 1967 for a position with the USDA-National Resources Conservation Service. He was selected the district conservationist in San Marcos and received many outstanding awards and promotions. He is retired but consults on natural resources issues. Johnson is very active in the San Marcos community serving on numerous boards and committees, including the Calaboose African-American Museum, the Greater San Marcos Chamber of Commerce, and the Rotary Club.

He was selected in 1995 as an outstanding graduate of the Livingston Independent School District and inducted to the Dunbar Football Hall of Fame in 1998. He and his wife of 45 years, Betty, have two children. His hobbies are golf, traveling, and attending PV football games.

John Derek Lagway

Football



John Derek Lagway attended Willis HS where he lettered four years in football, basketball, baseball, and track. He was named all-around district and county MVP his junior and senior years.

In football, Lagway rushed for 5,221 yards on 921 carries and finished his career number eight all-time in state 4A football history for carries in a career, scoring 55 rushing touchdowns. He averaged over 5.67 yards per carry and 118.6 yards per contest.

In 2001, Lagway graduated from Baylor University with a Bachelor of Science in Education. His football career was cut short because of an injury, however he lettered for three seasons, starting all 11 games as a sophomore. Derek and his brother, John Jr., are successful owners of Lagway's Bail Bonds in three counties. He and his wife, high school sweetheart Nikita, have two sons Derek and Jamal.