



SIMPLY THE BEST

Former McEachern Head Football Coach Jimmy Dorsey

In 2007, McEachern Head Football Coach Jimmy Dorsey completed his 24th season as head football coach and decided to step aside. With this, Coach Dorsey would end with a career record of 221 wins, 66 loses and 1 tie, giving him a winning percentage of .771. McEachern High School is justifiably proud of having Coach Dorsey as a the godfather of our program and the beginner of a legacy of victory.

A native of Tampa, Florida, Coach Dorsey began his coaching career as a player at Brandon High School and continued his playing career at Tennessee Tech University where he was a four year starter as Offensive Center, earning All Conference Honors his junior and senior years. In 1974, he received a graduate assistantship at Tennessee Tech during which he received his Master's Degree and also worked with the football team.

In 1976, Coach Dorsey began his high school coaching career at Pebblebrook High School in Mableton, Georgia as Offensive Line Coach. In 1978 he became the Defensive Coordinator at Sprayberry High School in Marietta, Georgia. In 1981, Coach Dorsey accepted his first Head Coaching position at Paulding County High School in Dallas Georgia. During his three years at Paulding County he had a record of 17-13.

In the spring of 1984, Coach Dorsey accepted the position of Head Football Coach at John McEachern High School. During his tenure at McEachern, the Indians developed into one of the Top Football Programs in the state. In his career, Coach Dorsey's teams have won 12 Region Championships. Starting in 1985 and continuing all the way until 2002, McEachern football had an incredible 18 consecutive years with post-season playoffs. In 1998, Coach Dorsey guided his team all the way to the final game of the state playoffs for a runner up birth.

Among his many accomplishments, Coach Dorsey has been able to help over 100 McEachern football players to continue their careers on the college gridiron. Two of Coach Dorsey's former players have made squads in the NFL. Coach Dorsey has also had 35 players in his career receive All State honors and a slew of players have appeared in the North/South All Star game.

Coach Dorsey has been married to his wife, Cindy for some 35 years and they have 2 children, a son Andy who is a former McEachern player and coach, and daughter Katie, a graduate of Valdosta State University.

As he departs from the gridiron, Coach Dorsey leaves behind a legacy of 23 consecutive winning seasons. Thankfully for the McEachern faithful, Coach Dorsey has opted to continue to the present as McEachern's athletic director. He played a vital role in the selection of his protégé, has overseen the construction of new gymnasium and field house. In the off season, Coach Dorsey maintains a partnership in the Southeast Wing-T and Defensive football camps. McEachern High School will be perpetually grateful to Coach Jim Dorsey and would like to offer our words of thanks for your many years of superlative service and love for this fine institution. Thanks again Coach Dorsey.

