

2006 CHS Hall of Fame Inductee - George Amundson, Class of 1969

Achievements and Awards at Central High School

- Twice picked to be on the Argus Leader Football All State 1st Team 1968 – Defensive Back
- 1969 – Quarterback
- Lettered in Football, Basketball and Track as a sophomore, junior and senior
- Played American Legion Baseball Smitty's – 1966-1969
- Played in the State A Basketball Tournament sophomore and senior years and All Tournament 1st Team – senior year
- State Track Meet, Rapid City – 1969, Placed 3rd in high jump, won shot put with a state record of 62'1" and set state and world record at 211'4" discus – First prep to throw over 200'
- Undefeated junior and senior years in discus
- Undefeated senior year in shot put
- Won and set a meet record in the Golden West track meet. The top ten performers in the nation are invited to this meet in Sacramento, CA.



Unique contributions to Central High School

- Student Body President – 1969
- President of the Band – 1969 – Played the Trombone
- Boys State – 1968
- Pageant Day Marshal - 1969



Other achievements and awards (received elsewhere than Central High School)

- Aberdeen Central All-Century Athlete – 1999 – Best All-Around Male Athlete, Best Male Track Athlete and Best Football Player.
- South Dakota Sports Writers Athlete of the Year in 1968 and 1969
- South Dakota's High School Athlete of the Decade 1960-1969
- Inducted into the South Dakota Sports Hall of Fame
- Inducted into the Iowa State University Athletic Hall of Fame – 1998
- Inducted into the Howard Wood Relays Hall of Fame
- Honorary Referee – Aberdeen Relays – 1985
- Guest speaker at CHS Commencement
- Member – Sports Illustrated – The 50 Greatest Sports Figures – South Dakota

Iowa State University

Participated in Indoor and Outdoor Track and Field and Football

Sophomore Year – Played Quarterback (Freshman were not eligible for varsity football)

Junior Year – Due to injuries played Running Back- Rushed for School Record – 1316 yards – 8-3 Record

Senior Year – Played Quarterback All Big Eight 1st Team Quarterback – 1972

Big Eight Player of the Year – 1972

All American Quarterback – 1972

Sun Bowl – 1st Bowl in ISU History – 1971 Team

Liberty Bowl – 1972 Team

East-West Shrine Game – 1972 – Individual

Hula Bowl – 1972 – Individual

College All Star Game – 1973 – Played the undefeated Miami Dolphins – Individual

Other accomplishments

- 1st Round Draft Choice – Houston Oilers – 1973 Played four years in the NFL
- Qualified for and threw in two NCAA National Track Meets – Discus Des Moines, IA – 1970
- Baton Rouge, LA - 1973

Additional Information to Share with the Committee

There are two things I am most proud of:

- Still being married to my first wife Terry, since 1977
- Our three daughters - Amy, Katy and Kelsey...

All three have played/play Division I volleyball on scholarships

Amy graduated in 2004 from Texas State University and now works for Continental Airlines as a Senior Financial Analyst

Katy will graduate in 2006 and is presently studying abroad in Australia and attends Iowa State University

Kelsey is a sophomore at the University of Tennessee – Chattanooga

Aberdeen, South Dakota is where I call home.