



## **Roosevelt Jordan**

Class of 1982

Roosevelt Jordan, a native of Columbus, Georgia, enrolled at Tuskegee Institute on a four-year athletic scholarship in 1977. As a running back in football, he lettered four years and was selected to the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SIAC) first offensive team for two years (1978-79 and 1980-81). Jordan received the "Offensive Player of the Year" award in 1981.

Additionally, Jordan lettered in track and was the 100-meter (SIAC) champion in 1979, 1980 and 1981. Jordan's 10.1 time in the 100-meter qualified him to participate in two major track meets: the U.S. Olympic Trials and the "1981 Division II National Track Meet". Also, Jordan received the "Outstanding Progress Award" in track from Mayor Johnny Ford of Tuskegee in 1981.

Jordan earned his Bachelor of Science in Industrial Arts from Tuskegee Institute in 1982. He was active in campus life, which was highlighted during the 1980-81 school year when he was selected to escort the First Attendant to Miss Tuskegee during the Tuskegee Institute Centennial.

Jordan began a professional career in football in 1981 after signing a contract with the New England Patriots and later with the Toronto Argonauts. Once his professional football career ended, he accepted a position as a teacher and coach with Jordan High School in Columbus, GA.

Jordan's professional career transitioned in 1985 when he joined the Atlanta Police Department (APD). During his 27-year law-enforcement career with APD, he remained active in sports as a participant and as a coach with APD Track Team & Flag Football Team. Officer Jordan started the Police Youth Track Team. He retired from APD with 27-years of service.

Jordan currently serves on the Board of Directors of Skegee Golden Tigers, Inc., football alumni who sponsor annual scholarships at Tuskegee University. He is also a member of the NFL Players Association and has volunteered with "Hands on Atlanta" to help rebuild homes. He is a member of the Camp Creek Church of Christ in Atlanta, Georgia.

Jordan consistently provides financial support for scholarships at Tuskegee University.

Roosevelt Jordan has 3 children: Cayla, Christian and McKenzie. He resides in Fayetteville, GA.