

Drewery L. Watson, Jr. Class of 1971

Drewery Watson, Jr., was born to the late Drewery L. Watson, Sr. and Edna White Watson in Eufaula, Al. He was the third of four children born to the couple. He received an early education from Eufaula City Schools and graduated from T.V. McCoo High School in 1966.

Drewery enrolled at Tuskegee Institute to play basketball in 1966. He switched to football in 1967. As a linebacker this mighty Golden Tiger was named Captain of his team in 1970 and 1971. A member of the Sports Writers 100% Wrong Club in 1970 and 1971, an All-SIAC linebacker for two seasons 1969 and 1970, an Alabama Small Colleges All-American in 1970, and a Pittsburg Courier All-American in 1971. Drewery signed a free agent contract with the Dallas Cowboys in 1971, played semi-pro football in Detroit, and signed with the Detroit Lions in 1974.

While at Tuskegee, he majored in health and physical education with a minor in social studies. He began teaching in Detroit Public Schools in 1975. He coached for a variety of sports. He implemented various health and after school programs during his tenure. He served as the athletic director for Saint Girard and Malcolm X Academy and he retired in 2010.

Drewery is the father of two children; Drejuan and Drewery, III, a 1998 Tuskegee University graduate and a member of the Golden Tigers football team. He has three grandchildren; Jhaylen, Alexxus, and Christian.