



Solomon Knight

Solomon Knight was born in Jesup, Georgia. After a tour of duty in the military, he enrolled at Tuskegee Institute in September 1946. For more than fifty years Solomon coached youth sports in the Tuskegee-Macon County area. Among his many credits are organizing and coaching Pony, Babe Ruth and Little League teams and working with the YMCA baseball program. He is also credited with organizing a semi-pro adult baseball team in Tysonville, AL and coaching the American Legion and the Tuskegee All Stars.

Knight played baseball with the Tuskegee Eagles and the Veterans Administration teams as a first baseman, pitcher and outfielder, where he received several "Most Valuable Player" awards. He is a legend in the baseball and softball arena. Even today he is an avid supporter of all "ball" games at both the community and university levels.

Solomon's tenure with Tuskegee University's baseball program spans more than forty years and continues today. He is a five time recipient of the Distinguished Service Award as Assistant Baseball Coach, recipient of the Tuskegee Institute Pitching Coach Award and SIAC Coach of the Year as Interim Head Baseball Coach at Tuskegee Institute in 1983.

Mr. Knight, a retiree from the Meat Unit of the Veterans Administration Medical Center, enjoys sharing his skills of de-boning meats and that is evident with his recognition from the Macon County Extension Service. He is a member of Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church where he serves as Chairman of the Trustee Ministry and he is a member of the Silver Trowel #10 Masonic Lodge.

Of all his outstanding awards and contributions, Solomon's greatest enjoyment comes from working with teenagers in sports and college baseball players. He loves to see former baseball players that he has coached become successful in their careers.