

Wiley Lucas, Jr.
Class of 1976

Wiley Lucas, Jr., hailed from Brundidge, Alabama and entered Tuskegee Institute in June 1972 to begin his collegiate career with the Golden Tigers as an offensive lineman and defensive linebacker. By the end of his 4th season, he had been named as a First Team All-Conference Player, two year All-Conference Honorable Mention Player and a 1976 Mutual Network All-American Team Player; lettering all four years in football. Wiley played in the All-Star Game in Los Angeles, California.

In 1976, Lucas earned a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Degree in Industrial Arts Education at Tuskegee Institute, and became a free agent with the National Football League, Oakland Raiders. Wiley continued his education Alabama State University and Alabama A&M University. In 1977 he tried out with the National Football League (NFL), New York Giants. In 1979, Lucas signed and played with the Alabama Vulcan Football team in Birmingham, Alabama. Lucas returned to his Alma Mater as a student coach and coached for more than six (6) years.

Wiley Lucas is presently a school administrator with the Talladega, Clay, Randolph, Calhoun and Claiborne County Community Action Agency, a volunteer chaplain with First Citizens Baptist Hospital and, Vice President of the Talladega, Clay and Coosa County Tuskegee Alumni Association. Lucas volunteers his time as a little league baseball coach and a mentor for young fathers; he is very active in numerous organizations in his church.

Lucas epitomizes what a devoted, loyal father and husband who leads by example, is like. He is married to Faye White Lucas and they have seven children; Chad, Aaron, Nino, Johnathan, Kimberly, Valerie and Edward. Wiley is reliving his dream of a professional football career through his son Chad who now plays wide receiver with the NFL, Green Bay Packers.

"I was immensely proud to be selected as an All-American and play in the All-Star Game, but it was an