



THEODORE SPRADLEY, III
Class of 1971

Selected most valuable player in track and field, winner of the 100 yard dash, the 440 yard dash, 880 yard relay and the mile relay in 1970 - Anchor Man each relay. SIAC Champion in Cross Country in 1970, anchored the 440 relay in the Alabama State Relays where he beat the world record holder - Ray Robinson. His athletic prowess continued as Theodore Spradley, joined the Golden Tiger basketball team for the 1969 and 1970 season.

Outstanding teacher and coach, Mr. Spradley inspired and motivated many children. His commitment and dedication to help young people is evidence in his professional life. He coached winning teams as with the 4x100 relay team that set a national record which stood for eleven years, coached two players to NFL, Kelvin Lee of St. Louis and Sherman Williams of the Dallas Cowboys and Mr. Football of the State - Darrell Williams who continues his career with Auburn University. He has served as head coach for recreation department track and field.

Mr. Spradley has amassed many awards and honors - Track Coach of the Year 1989, Mobile County; the John Fulgham Relay Award in 1988; Teacher and Coach of the Year 1985; Coach of the Year 5-A Mile Track in 1992; the John Finley Award - superb achievement as a coach; the Athletic Congress Region 6 Youth Boys 1984 Champion Award; the Region III Junior Olympic Track and Field Championship Award (Midget Boys) and many others.