



BEN McKINNEY
Class of 1934

Ben McKinney, Tulsa, Oklahoma, played football at Tuskegee from 1930 through 1933. He was captain of the team his senior year and acting captain his junior year. He was All-Southern tackle for three years and first team All-American tackle two years. He played in every game from 1930 through 1933.

McKinney coached football, basketball and track at Taft Deaf, Blind and Orphan Institute, winning the state championship in football in 1938 and winning the district in basketball and track for five years. For 33 years (1942 to 1975) he taught tailoring at the Booker T. Washington High School in Tulsa. He owned a tailor shop in Tulsa from 1948 until 1971 and had several Tuskegee interns work with him. He now has a small shop in his home.

He earned his M.S. degree from Oklahoma State University in 1955. He is a member of Omega Fraternity and works with the Boy Scouts and the Y.M.C.A. He is a member of the Morning Star Baptist Church.