## **Tuskegee University Athletic Hall of Fame**

## **Eristus Sams**

Class of 1938

EUSTUS SAMS, '38 - was one of Tuskegee's great athletes participating in football, track and wrestling. He was an All-Southern and an All-American football player, a constant winner in track meets throughout the South--including the Tuskegee relays.

Sams has had varied professional experiences since graduation. He has been a county agent with the Texas Extension Service, Farmers Home Administration employee, supervisor and physical education instructor with the U.S. Coast Guard. During his service tour of duty, he won the Eastern area AAU, 175 Wrestling Champion.

Eustus is an outstanding Texas farmer and a plant breeder with the Texas A & M University Experiment Station. His political and civic activities are evident throughout Texas, including his efforts that made it possible for Prairie View University students to vote in local elections. Presently, he is Mayor of Waller, Texas (Prairie View), in addition to being a crop farmer and livestock rancher.