

# RFHS HALL OF FAME

## CHARTER MEMBERS

### PAUL WILLETT

PAUL WAS A 1926 GRADUATE OF RFHS WHERE HE LETTERED IN FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL AND TRACK. HE WAS AN ALL-CONFERENCE SELECTION IN FOOTBALL DURING BOTH HIS JUNIOR AND SENIOR YEARS AS AN END. PAUL WAS NAMED TO THE ALL-STATE FOOTBALL TEAM

AFTER LEAVING ROCK FALLS, PAUL ATTENDED THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS WHERE HE EARNED HIS DEGREE AND WENT ON TO TEACH AND COACH FOR 35 YEARS.

### KEN SIEBEL

KEN WAS A 1959 GRADUATE OF RFHS, WHERE HE LETTERED IN FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL AND TRACK. WHILE KEN WAS A GREAT ALL-AROUND ATHLETE IT WAS THE SPORT OF BASKETBALL THAT HE REALLY MADE HIS MARK. KEN EARNED ALL-CONFERENCE AND ALL-STATE RECOGNITION AS HE HELPED LEAD THE ROCKETS, TO A 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE FINISH IN THE 1958 STATE TOURNAMENT. UPON GRADUATION KEN WAS THE LEADING SCORER IN RFHS HISTORY WITH 1620 POINTS.

HE THEN WENT ON TO THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN WHERE HE WAS A 3-TIME MVP IN BASKETBALL FOR THE BADGERS. KEN THEN HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO PLAY IN THE NBA BUT INSTEAD CHOSE THE BUSINESS WORLD WHERE HE IS TREMENDOUSLY SUCCESSFUL IN CALIFORNIA. KEN STILL REMAINS TIED TO HIS ALMA MATER OF RFHS, AS HE HAS ESTABLISHED A SCHOLARSHIP FUND IN HIS NAME, GIVEN ANNUALLY TO STUDENT-ATHLETES CONTINUING IN COLLEGE.

### CARLO PIGNATELLI

A 1926 GRADUATE OF RFHS, CARLO EARNED 12 VARSITY LETTERS IN THE SPORTS OF FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL AND TRACK. HE EARNED ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS IN FOOTBALL AND BASKETBALL. HE HELPED LEAD RFHS TO THE BASKETBALL CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP IN 1925.

UPON GRADUATION, CARLO ATTENDED THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA ON A BASKETBALL SCHOLASHIP. HOWEVER, CARLO DECIDED TO PLAY FOOTBALL ONCE ARRIVING IN IOWA CITY AND QUARTERBACKED THE HAWKEYES DURING THE 1927-1929 SEASONS. HE PLAYED PROFESSIONALLY WITH THE IRONTON TANKS OF OHIO IN THE EARLY BEGGININGS OF PRO FOOTBALL.

#### HOMER HANKENSON

HOMER IS A 1928 GRADUATE OF RFHS. HE EARNED 8 VARSITY LETTERS IN THE SPORTS OF FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL AND TRACK. AS A MULTIPLE ALL-CONFERENCE SELECTION HOMER WAS ALSO NAMED TO THE ALL-STATE FOOTBALL TEAM IN 1927.

UPON GRADUATION HOMER ATTENDED CARTHAGE COLLEGE IN WISCONSIN. THERE HE EARNED 12 VARSITY LETTERS IN THE SAME THREE SPORTS. HE WAS A 3-TIME ALL-CONFERENCE SELECTION IN FOOTBALL AND A 2-TIME ALL-CONFERENCE PICK IN BASKETBALL.

HOMER THEN WENT INTO COACHING AND TEACHING AFTER GRADUATION FROM CARTHAGE, SPENDING THE NEXT 40 YEARS AT THE ILLINOIS HIGH SCHOOLS OF PAXTON, OTTAWA, ZION AND WAUKEGAN.

#### PAUL SCHUTT

PAUL WAS A 1925 GRADUATE OF RFHS, WHERE HE LETTERED IN FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, TRACK AND BASEBALL. PAUL EARNED ALL-CONFERENCE AND ALL-STATE RECOGNITION IN FOOTBALL HIS SENIOR YEAR.

AFTER GRADUATION FROM RFHS, PAUL ATTENDED ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY WHERE HE LETTERED IN FOOTBALL AND TRACK

#### GARY KOLB

THIS 1958 GRADUATE OF ROCK FALLS HIGH IS TRULY ONE OF THE BEST ALL-AROUND ATHLETES IN SCHOOL HISTORY. GARY EARNED VARSITY LETTERS IN FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, BASEBALL AND TRACK DURING HIS FOUR YEARS AT RFHS. HE EARNED ALL-CONFERENCE IN EVERY SPORT AND WAS AN ALL-STATE FOOTBALL RUNNING BACK HIS SENIOR YEAR. GARY ALSO WAS A GUARD ON THE RUNNER-UP 1958 STATE BASKETBALL TEAM.

AFTER GRADUATION GARY ATTENDED THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS WHERE HE LETTERED IN FOOTBALL AND BASEBALL. AFTER HIS SOPHOMORE YEAR GARY SIGNED A PRO BASEBALL CONTRACT WITH THE ST. LOUIS CARDINALS AND ENJOYED NEARLY A 10 YEAR BASEBALL CAREER THAT ALSO INCLUDED PLAYING WITH THE PITTSBURGH PIRATES AND THE NEW YORK METS.