

1. Dr. Mylhan Myers
(Address and Phone Number Redacted)
2. Coach Knapp was my coach, my mentor, and a second father figure
3. Donald L. Knapp
4. His exceptional, unmatched contributions and accomplishments for Rolla Public Schools and the Rolla community are worthy of forgoing the naming policy after only those who are deceased.
5. 37+ years as head track coach, head cross country coach and high school science teacher. Also coached football and wrestling for Rolla.
6. Coached 163 All-State athletes from Rolla, including 12 state champions. His teams have won 40 conference championships, 10 district team championships, 27 total district plaques. His athletes have broken 36 RHS school records in track, many multiple times. At Rolla High his teams' best finishes were sixth in the state in girls' track, 12th in the state in boys' track and seventh in the state in girls' cross country. His squads have won 300 regular season team trophies here.
7. Knapp served as the Missouri Track & Cross Country Coaches Association (MTCCCA) President in 1999, Vice-President in 1998 and was an executive officer from 2000-2002. He was voted into the Missouri Track and Field Hall of Fame in 2007. He was inducted into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame in 2023. He was the recipient of the RHS Most Influential Teacher Award 23 times in 37 years.

8/9/10. Coach Knapp was there to support his athletes every single day with the same level of warm encouragement, rain or shine. We could have a bad day, but he never allowed himself to have one, so that he could be there for us. As he often said, "Every day is a good day." No athlete was unworthy of his attention as a coach or mentor. For every incredibly successful athlete, he probably had 10 kids who would never see their name in the newspaper. He made them feel just as valued and he put just as much energy into them. He wanted to see kids have personal success and improvement- not just in the sport, but in life. He lead by quiet example: he never complained, was always positive, always doing the right thing even when no one was looking. He didn't go home until the last kid was picked up from practice or a meet. He picked up trash left over at the track and on the bus. He made a point to encourage kids who were having a hard time, and that was contagious to the rest of the team to also encourage them. He made a point at every opportunity to put every kid in a position to succeed personally and to feel valued. There was a place for every kid to belong on his teams, regardless of talent.

11. Rolla Community Track
12. Donald L. Knapp Track & Field Complex