

May 29, 2013

Dear Committee Members,

I am submitting this nomination form on behalf of my father, Kenneth M. Cobb. My father played his high school ball at Hazard High School, located in Hazard, KY during the years of 1956-1959. He accomplished great strides while participating in both football and basketball. He lead the bulldogs to a impressive season during the 1958 football year. He played quarterback while at Hazard and still has the game ball from his final season in which they only lost one game to Somerset by the score of 7-6. At the time my father played there were no class divisions.

My father has told us many stories about playing in high school, having to guard King Kelly Coleman and not seeing anything but his shoelaces, from having his nose busted on the field and the blood freezing before he made it to the sidelines.

Not only did he play sports but also was present when Hazard High School was integrated with the then all black school, Liberty High. He speaks of how the black team members were treated when the team traveled to away games. As was in those days the black players were not welcomed in most establishments and could not come off the bus when the team stopped to get snacks. My father and other white members of the team also remained on the bus. I think this was a very big step for the Hazard team. It shows that sometimes sports can break barriers when nothing else can. My father has always referred to his teammates as his family and keeps in touch with fellow players to this day, even though some have passed on.

After playing at Hazard my father received a football scholarship to the University of Kentucky. My father still tells his 13 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren stories of playing in the good old days.

Please consider my father while he is still living for this ultimate high school honor. It would mean the world to me, and my father would not believe it. By the way he is not aware of this letter or the nomination entry. I don't want him to be disappointed.

Thank you for your time,



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to

Ken Cobb

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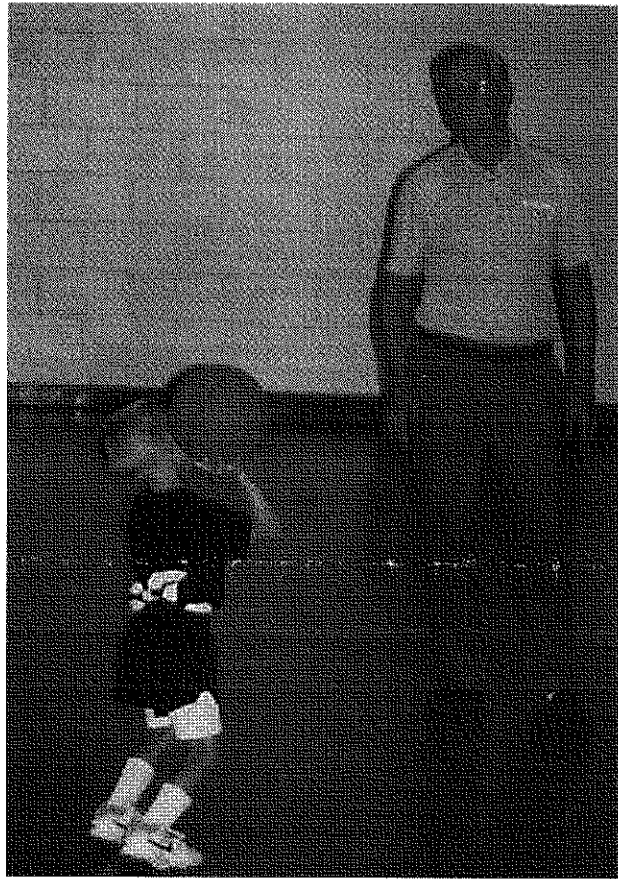
Bill Cunningham

Asst. Football Coach  
University of Kentucky

1958

Ken Cobb - Hazard High





Ken Cobb coaching grandson  
in biddy league basketball.  
My father volunteered for  
17 yrs coaching biddy league.



## Official Tourney Team — 14th Regional Champs

Here are the Hazard Bulldog—14th regional champs posed for their official tournament photograph. Regional trophy is in front. From left to right, front row, Manager Henry Watts, Tommy Johnson, Leon Hollen, Carlos Gibson, Astor Sizemore, Wendell Combs, Decourisie

Haliburton, Manager Jimmy Crutchfield; second row, Assistant Coach Jim Caudill, Head Coach Goebel Ritter, Ken Cobb, Joe Baker, Buddy Madden, Bennett Jant, Don Smith, Bobby Baker, Assistant Coach Paul Wright, Principal H. M. Wesley.

—Hal Cooner Photo.

# BUILDERS TO ENTERTAIN WHITESBURG

## So-So 1-3 Record Betrays Potential Of Whitesburg Squad

WHITESBURG, Sept. 25.—(Special Staff Writer's Report.)—The Whitesburg football team, which has a record of one win, one tie and one loss, is expected to improve its record in the future. The team's performance in its first three games has been disappointing, but it is believed that the squad has the potential to become a power in the future.

The team's first game was a tie with the Yellow Jackets of Hazard. The game was a close one, with both teams showing signs of life. The Whitesburg team was able to score a few points, but the Yellow Jackets were able to keep the score close.

In the second game, the Whitesburg team was defeated by the Yellow Jackets of Hazard. The game was a hard-fought one, with both teams showing signs of life. The Whitesburg team was able to score a few points, but the Yellow Jackets were able to keep the score close.

In the third game, the Whitesburg team was defeated by the Yellow Jackets of Hazard. The game was a hard-fought one, with both teams showing signs of life. The Whitesburg team was able to score a few points, but the Yellow Jackets were able to keep the score close.

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Thursday, September 25, 1936

My father was patched up and did play.