

Marilyn,

Please add this letter  
to the Copy Cop Nomination

I also have two requests

① Please send me a copy  
of the Nomination  
form I used to nominate  
Coach Cop.

② Please change  
his birth date from  
May 21<sup>st</sup>, 1931 TO  
March 21<sup>st</sup>, 1931 ✓

if I put May on the  
form. He was born in March

Thank you for all  
your help.

Jim

To Those who are  
considering Cortland K Cox  
for The Ky High School  
Basketball Hall of Fame.



MR COX:

MR COX has been a major influence in my life.


When I decided not to go on to collage, MR COX talked to a car dealership about a job for me. I was hired & spent my adult life in that bussiness.

MR COX was a great motivator. He could get people to do things they never thought they could do.

He was a person who believed in discipline which developed character in a person.

MR COX was and still is one of the most knowlegable people I have ever known when it comes to basketball.

I remember when I first met MR COX. He was young & NOT very big in stature, But could he play the game. I dont

 know of any of his players who could beat him one on one.

MR COX was a great student and teacher of the game.

MR COX hated to lose, but if we did MR COX wanted us to lose with class.

MR COX was a tireless worker who loved young people.

I think that anyone who played for MR COX would to this day, do what MR COX asked of them.

MR COX came to Hodgenville High School to coach & later when 3 schools consolidated he was asked to be the coach.

I think he was the main reason it was successful so quickly.

A friend & former  
Player of Coach Cox  
Robert Ruff



Courtland "Corky" Cox

KHSAA  
HALL OF FAME

(B.D) MARCH 21, 1931

Teacher-COACH: Hodgenville H.S. (1955-58) ] 13  
AND ATH. DIRECTOR LARUE Co. H.S. (1958-68) ]  
PRINCIPAL: LARUE COUNTY H.S. (1968-1986) - 13  
Retired: 1986 (Supt.'s off. 81-86) = 5  
(31 Yrs.)

Basketball Coaching Record: 247 Wins (19 Per. Yr. Avg.)  
133 Losses 10.2 Per. Yr.

1. Conference Champions: (3)
2. District Champions: (5)
3. Regional Champions: (3) 1958-59-60

He took his Team to the State Tournament two years in a row (59 & 60) without a home GYM. The Hodgenville GYM burned in 1958 and LARUE Co. had no GYM. The 1958 TRIP to the State Tournament was the first & only appearance for Hodgenville H.S. They consolidated with Buffalo & Magnolia in 1958 to form LARUE County H.S.

AWARDS:

1. Coach of the Year: 4 TIMES
2. Hodgenville J.C.'s OUTSTANDING YOUNG MAN'S AWARD for contributions to the Youth of LARUE County (1962 & 1973)
3. Fifth Region Coaches Assoc. HALL OF FAME 1996
4. Athletic Directors HALL OF FAME - 2001
5. UNIV. OF LOUISVILLE Athletic HALL OF FAME; 1984
6. LARUE County H.S. SENIOR AWARD for SPORTSMANSHIP, CITIZENSHIP, & ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT - GIVEN ANNUALLY & NAMED THE COURTLAND "CORKY" COX AWARD.
7. Merit Award for outstanding Leadership: OFFICIALS ASSOC. 1986

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December 14, 2005

KHSAA  
Hall Of Fame Committee

Dear Committee Members:

I am writing to you in support of the nomination of Mr. Corky Cox to be inducted into the KHSAA Hall of Fame. Mr. Cox was the coach of our basketball team at Hodgenville High School in 1957 and 1958 which became LaRue County HS.

Coach Cox was a mentor to me on and off the basketball court. The values he instilled in us as players and in our personal lives have endured and benefited me throughout my life. The values of honesty, integrity and perseverance have been the foundation supporting me in a successful personal life and business career. Coach Cox taught us to set our goals and never give up on achieving them.

Coach Cox is certainly deserving of the honor of being inducted into the KHSAA Hall of Fame.

Thank you for your consideration.

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11-20-05

TO: KHSAA "HALL OF FAME" COMMITTEE

RE. COURTLAND "CORKY" COX NOMINATION

I am writing to ask for your support in selecting Coach Courtland "Corky" Cox to the KHSAA "Hall of Fame". Many people, including myself, believe that this honor is long overdue for Coach Cox.

Not many people in the state of Kentucky have meant more to their school and community than "Corky" Cox. He served Hodgenville and La Rue County Schools for thirty one years. When Coach Cox came to Hodgenville in 1955, he brought an energy and concern for people that is still felt strongly fifty years later. Coach Cox has touched many lives in a positive way. He has inspired them to be good citizens and to work hard in all of their endeavors throughout life. I am one of those former players and students that has been greatly influenced by Coach Cox.

In 2002, I retired after thirty nine years of Teaching and Coaching. I still visit, call, and correspond with Coach Cot. Many times it is for advise, but it is mostly because of the love, gratitude, and respect that I have for him. I know scores of others who do the same. Once you played for, or were a student of Coach Cot, you became one of his kids for life.

Coach Cot is a dedicated Christian. He does not use profanity and never drinks alcoholic beverages. He is a Deacon & Sunday School teacher.

Coach Cot has great Credentials for the KHSAA "Hall of Fame". He averaged Nineteen Wins Per Season for thirteen years as the head Coach at Hodgenville and Jarue County High Schools. He took his teams to the State Tournament Three straight years (58-60). The last two years he had no home gym. It's hard to accomplish such a feat.

Coach Cot has influenced so many young people to go to college. Many have great careers in Education, Business, and our legal system.



The Relationships Coach Cox Cultivated during his Thirty one years at Hodgenville and LaRue County High schools have, and are lasting lifetimes.

I urge you to enter Coach Courtland "Cox" Cox into the KHSAA "Hall of Fame".  
I love the Man.

With Sincere Thanks,

Jimmie Taylor  
(Class of 1957)

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December 1, 2005

RE: Cortland "Corky" Cox

Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame Committee

It has been my privilege and pleasure to know Coach Cox for 50 of my 57 years. Coach Cox has been a family friend and mentor for all of these 50 years. There is not enough paper for me to write on or time for you to read the wonderful personal memories that Coach Cox and my family has experienced together.

Coach Cox has spent his entire professional career at LaRue County as a teacher, coach and administrator. It was my good fortune to have Coach Cox as a teacher and coach. I played on his basketball teams as a reserve for three years, then was his statistician my senior year at LaRue County.

Coach Cox is a sober, religious family man that has been a positive role model for hundreds of young men and women in our community. He had a great college career in basketball at University of Louisville. Coach Cox is still an exceptional athlete in his 70's, carrying a single digit handicap in golf.

It is an honor for me to wire a letter of recommendation for Coach Cox to be inducted in the KHSAA Hall of Fame. I endorse Coach Cox without reservation.

Sincerely,



Ron Sanders  
President

105 Orchard Road  
Hodgenville, KY 42748  
December 6, 2005

To the KHSAA Hall of Fame Committee,

It has been brought to my attention that my high school coach, Cortland Kelly Cox, has been nominated to be in the KHSAA Hall of Fame. This is an honor that I feel is long overdue.

I understand his athletic and coaching credentials were sent with his nomination so I will move to a more personal point of reference.

I cheered under Coach Cox all four years of my high school career from 1955-1959 at Hodgenville High School and Larue County High School. In my sophomore year the best basketball record in the school's history was set. During my junior and senior years, the team went to the State Tournament. Coach Cox took another team to the State Tournament the following year as well.

My late husband, Darrell Florence, played on the school record setting team of 1957 at Hodgenville High School. He was one of eight children from a loving but economically deprived family. In his senior year Coach Cox brought him off of the farm and into town to live with his family. This was done in an effort to keep him in school and to provide an avenue out of poverty.

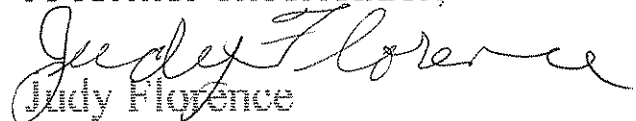
It worked. Coach Cox helped Darrell get a full basketball scholarship to Union College where he graduated. He completed his Masters Degree as well as obtained many administrative endorsements throughout his career in education. He was a coach, principal, assistant superintendent as well as superintendent.

None of these accomplishments would have ever been possible without Coach Cox. Darrell always knew where his success originated.

Darrell suddenly passed away in 2003. I know that he would wish more than anything for Coach Cox to have this honor. He is a moral man who taught his players not only the game of basketball, he taught them the game of life.

On behalf of my husband and myself I thank you for your time and consideration.

A former cheerleader,

  
Judy Florence

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December 7, 2005

KHSAA  
Hall of Fame Committee  
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Committee Members:

I am writing this letter to recommend Cortland K. "Corky" Cox into the KHSAA Hall of Fame.

In addition to being an outstanding high school basketball coach, Coach Cox was my high school baseball coach for four years. From the years 1956-1958 I played baseball for Coach Cox at Hodgenville High School and in 1959 when he served as the first LaRue County High School baseball coach following the consolidation of the Hodgenville, Buffalo and Magnolia High Schools. Coach Cox had been an outstanding baseball player prior to injuring his arm while playing baseball at the University of Louisville and possessed a superior knowledge of the game. Even though high school baseball had not received much priority prior to Coach Cox becoming coach, the teams he fielded during the four years I played for him were always competitive and achieved good won-loss records.

One of Coach Cox's attributes that stands out in my mind is that he has always been intensely loyal to anyone who has played on any of the teams that he has coached down through the years. To me, this is a special quality that I consider most admirable. For example, if one of his former players runs for an elective office, he does his own form of campaigning for that former player and always remains a dedicated and loyal friend. He and his wife, Emma, also enjoy getting together with former players and their families on special occasions, even to the extent of traveling to Branson, Missouri for a week of fun and camaraderie.

Another significant attribute that I consider one of the most ingrained features of Coach Cox's character is his competitiveness. As a former standout U of L guard on Coach Peck Hickman's early 1950s teams, he always passed this quality along to his high school players which was evident in their desire and team play during the

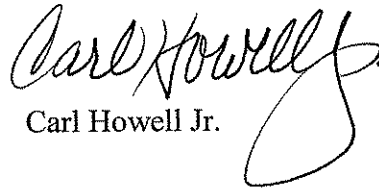
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years of his coaching at Hodgenville High School and LaRue County High School.

Coach Cox is a Christian man who has always lived an exemplary life. He has taught Sunday School for many years and served as a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Hodgenville, Kentucky.

It gives me great pleasure to recommend Coach Cox as your next Hall of Fame inductee.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carl Howell Jr." with a large, stylized flourish at the end of the name.

Carl Howell Jr.

CHJr./nob

05Letters/HALLOFFAME/COX/nob

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12-06-2005

Kentucky High School Athletic Association  
Lexington, Ky

RE: Cortland K. Cox

I would like to recommend Cortland K. Cox to be inducted into the Coaches High School Hall of Fame.

I played high school basketball under Mr. Cox in 1956 and 1957 my junior and senior years of high school.. Mr. Cox had a very positive affect on my life then as well as now. He was not only an excellent basketball coach but he taught you how to grow up and be a responsible person. He never forgot who you were, I am in business today and Mr. Cox is a loyal client, mostly because I was one of his players, he never forgets that. I looked up to him when I was age 15 and I look up to him at age 65.

I had the utmost respect for him when he was my coach and I have the same respect now as a friend.

He is well deserving of this honor.

  
Dennis R. Hazle

December 2, 2005

KHSAA Hall of Fame Committee

Dear Committee:

It is with great pleasure that I write a letter of support for Corky Cox's induction into the KHSAA Hall of Fame. I have known Coach Cox since he came to Hodgenville in, I believe, 1957 as the basketball coach. At that time his youthful enthusiasm made him an instant hit with the entire community.

Corky's ability to coach basketball is attested to by his record and the many accomplishments of his teams. Although his teams attained a great deal of success, this was only a small part of what he brought to LaRue County and the many lives he touched. He was interested in the young people of LaRue County and in their development as people.

Corky did not only coach the game of basketball to those who could play but he helped push all students into becoming what they could become. Graduation did not end Corky's interest in the many graduates of LaRue County High School. He was there for all students and former students as a coach, teacher and friend. Although basketball was his love, he always found time to help all students to grow.

Even after I became an adult and entered the field of teaching, I adopted many of the views toward education and students that Corky had ingrained into me. He continued to be interested in me and what I was doing. I know many of the graduates found that Corky never forgot a student regardless what they chose to do as adults.

It has been my good fortune as a school administrator to work with many fine coaches through the years. I can think of no one more deserving to be elected to the KHSAA Hall of Fame than Corky Cox. He truly embodies all that is right with high school athletics in this Commonwealth. I ask you give his nomination all of the attention that it deserves and I feel certain that you will agree his induction into the KHSAA of Fame will be a well deserved recognition for him and a credit to the KHSAA.

Sincerely,



Otis Reed, Jr.  
LaRue County High School  
Class of 1962



12-4-05

KHSAA HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE,  
I AM WRITING TO ASK YOU TO  
PUT MR. CORTLAND COX INTO THE  
HALL OF FAME.

I PLAYED BASKETBALL FOR MR. COX  
IN 1956 AND 1957, HE WAS A GREAT COACH  
AND HAS BECOME A LIFELONG FRIEND.

I HAVE THE UPMOST RESPECT FOR  
MR. COX AND I THINK HE DESERVES THIS  
HONOR.

THANK YOU,  
James R. Routh  
#3 ROAD 5142  
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TO: Kentucky High School Athletic Association  
Hall of Fame Committee  
RE: Corky Cox

Corky Cox is a man that I looked up to when I was a young student at Hodgenville High School. I would have loved to play basketball. Unfortunately, there were two things that kept me from being able to do that. First, I didn't have the skill. Second, I didn't have the size. However, Corky Cox knowing my love of basketball encouraged me and took me on as keeper of the shot chart. I learned the fundamentals of basketball from the master. He always treated me as if I were one of the team members.

Coach Cox taught the fundamentals of basketball to all of his teams and they practiced the fundamentals until they had them firmly implanted into their minds and into their physical skill level. But he didn't stop with fundamentals. He also taught leadership. He led by example. He expected the same from each team member.

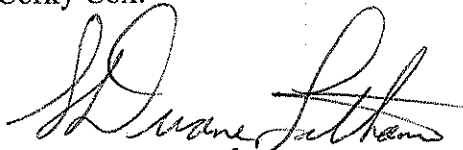
He expected each team member to take pride in what he could do and to do the best each and every time he stepped onto the court. Nothing less was acceptable. This was also true of their scholastic work. He kept up with how the boys were doing in their classes and made sure that class assignments were being completed.

While I admired all these qualities that Coach Cox exhibited, perhaps the greatest quality was his ability to inspire and motivate the team. At half time he could point out the deficiency of the opposing team and could coach the team in how to take advantage of these deficiencies. Then he could inspire them to do an even better job of playing than they had been doing. I remember one instance in our senior year when our team was down by about 10 points at half time. We went into the locker room. Coach Cox gave an inspirational speech that lifted that team to new heights. They went out of the locker room and won that game and sent us on to the district level and then on to win the regional. I don't believe that without that speech we would have ever won that game. That is the kind of coach Corky Cox was. He knew what to do and when to do it. He knew his boys and how to work with them. He respected them and they in turn respected him. He was always a leader and an inspiring coach.

In later years, Coach Cox kept up with his former students taking an interest in what they did and how their careers were doing. He could always be counted on for advice. Just call him and ask. There was a lot of comradery and their have been fun reunions of the teams with the Coach. He continues to have a lot of pride in his former team members, the cheer leaders, and his former shot chart manager.

We all love and respect Coach Corky Cox.

S. Duane Latham, Ph.D.  
Graduating Class of 1958  
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5 Dec. 2005

Roy Davenport  
1920 Buttonwood Rd.  
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KHSAA,

As a 1959 graduate of LaRue Co. High School, and a three year varsity basketball player, I am writing this letter on behalf of "Coach" Corky Cox. During my three year varsity playing time, we were fortunate enough to play in the State Tournament for two of those three years. In my opinion, this was directly related to excellent coaching.

After 46 years, I still see and talk with Coach Cox on a regular bases- even play golf together twice a year. He has been a positive influence for everyone who attended LaRue Co. High; especially if they were lucky enough to have played basketball for him.

I would like very much to see him voted into the Kentucky Coaches Hall Of Fame.

Sincerely,

*Roy Davenport*

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to recommend Cortland K. Cox for induction into the Kentucky High School Basketball Hall of Fame.

I played for Corky two of the three years he took teams to the Kentucky State Basketball Tournament and I can tell you he is a true ambassador of the game.

Corky is a Kentucky native, playing basketball at Valley High School in Louisville and later becoming a college standout at the University of Louisville under the famed Peck Hickman.

Corky was a fierce competitor as a player and as a coach. His knowledge of the game helped several of his players to become coaches themselves. I was one of them. He still promotes the game and has get-togethers at his house for his past players.

Corky was also true to his school having coached at LaRue County his entire coaching career with a very respectable won-loss record. Please admit Corky to the Hall of Fame. He truly deserves it.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pat Miller". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Pat Miller

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to recommend Cortland K. Cox for induction into the Kentucky High School Basketball Hall of Fame.

My association with Corky spans four decades. I was a cheerleader for LaRue County High School in 1959 and 1960 when Coach Corky Cox took the LaRue County Hawks to the Kentucky State Basketball Tournament. A few years later, I was a teacher at LaRue County High School during the time that he was principal of the high school. During this time, I saw firsthand his keen interest in the basketball program but, more importantly, in the young men and women who played the game. I was present, along with my husband and son, when Corky was inducted into the University of Louisville Basketball Hall of Fame honoring him for his outstanding career as a player for the University of Louisville.

As you can see, Corky has been and continues to be an advocate for the sport of basketball in the state of Kentucky. He was an outstanding player and coach and is an all-around outstanding person.

Cortland K. Cox is deserving of this honor for all the years that he has been involved with the game of basketball.

Sincerely,



Bessie Miller

December 1, 2005

Tommy Perkins  
930 Fairway Street  
Bowling Green, KY 42103

K.H.S.A.A. Hall of Fame Committee  
Frankfort, KY

To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter to recommend Coach Corky Cox, Sevier County High School, to be considered for induction into the Hall of Fame.

I graduated from Sevier County High School in 1961 and had the honor to be coached by Coach Cox.

Following are some of my reasons I feel Coach Cox should be considered for the Hall of Fame:

- He encouraged you to work hard in the classroom as well as on the basketball floor.
- He taught teamwork and respect.
- He had a sincere interest in each of his players as well as their families.
- The Sevier County High Schools consolidated in 1958. He molded a team from the 4 schools and took them to the state tournament the first and second years of the school. We called this BIG TIME.

Thanks for your consideration,  
Tommy Perkins

# BILL HAZLE

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Tuesday, November 29, 2005  
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Kentucky High School Athletic Association Committee

To the Committee or those concerned:

It is rare I have the opportunity to honor with this letter such a great person as Mr. Cortland K. Cox.

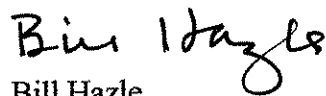
At times like we have currently with terrorist attacks and military deployment in many parts of the world, the word **Honorable** and **Righteous** truly have exceptional meaning for each of us. Therefore, I mean it in the utmost definition that Mr. Corky Cox is an Honorable and Righteous person. He has demonstrated these qualities all my life in the entire sum fifty and more years I have had the opportunity to know him. Always and to his very core he has strive to do what he believed to be right.

He lent himself in every way possible to his players, students, and people around him. Always helping and always caring for those who could not care for themselves. He is a truly caring and helpful person.

Controversial at times usually during a ballgame or campaigning for some idea he thought to be right. In addition, It usually is.

Humble with respect to his ability and talent. He exemplifies a true coach/ teacher/ principle/ Sunday school teacher/ mentor/ and friend. He is one who unquestionably means it when he says, "Call on me if I can help."

Sincerely,



Bill Hazle

Kentucky High School Athletic  
Association Hall of Fame  
Committee

11-29-2005

Dear Committee Members,

I am writing to you to recommend Courtland "Corky" Coff  
to be admitted to the Kentucky High School Athletic Association's  
Hall of Fame. He has been a tremendous basketball player in  
High School and was a Kentucky All-Star I believe.

He had a great coaching record at Hodgenville High School  
and Larue Co. High School taking a team to the State Tournament  
at Hodgenville in 1958, Larue County in 1959 and 1960. It was  
a tremendous accomplishment at Larue County High School because  
after just 2 home games the gym burned down and we as a  
team had to play all of our games away and practice wherever  
we could. I played on both of those teams and will never forget  
those two years. There has never been a High School Coach in  
Kentucky that has accomplished more or deserves more to be  
admitted to the Hall of Fame than Coach Coff, in my opinion.

He has been very active in the Hodgenville Community for years  
and is well liked and respected by all who know him. He also has  
been very involved and active in the Church in Larue County and  
is a fine person.

As a former player of his, I highly recommend his admission  
to the Ky. High School Athletic Association's Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,  
John P. Brownfield



Kentucky High School Athletic Association  
Hall of Fame

December 5, 2005

Gentlemen:

I am very pleased to know that Mr. Clifford K. Cot has been nominated to the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame.

Mr. Cot was an excellent athlete and an excellent coach and is a fine, fine gentleman and friend. I was his manager 1955-1959, we worked closely together, and from those years I was taught and learned the importance of commitment and self discipline from him as well as responsibility. These learning experiences have been used throughout my career in health care.

Mr. Cot certainly made me feel as much a part of the team as were his ball players. He always expressed his appreciation for the various tasks I did for him. This <sup>was</sup> great for my ego but that ego was kept "in check" - the lesson of all lessons. I am grateful for these experiences.

He has taken three teams to the Kentucky State High School Basketball Tournament - 1959, 1960 and 1961. We continue to keep in touch with us all. I consider him a good friend and a special person, and I am always glad to see and visit with him.

Please give Mr. Cot your consideration for induction into the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame. He certainly is a deserving gentleman, coach and athlete for this honor.

Respectfully yours,  
John M. Marcus

KHSAA  
Hall of Fame Committee

RE: Corkland K. Cox

Dear Committee Members,

It is my privilege to recommend Corkland Cox to the Kentucky Hall of Fame. I played for him from 1958-1960. All three teams won Regional Championships and advanced to the sweet sixteen. He was a great coach and father figure for the young men on our team. He was also one of my best friends and the best man at my wedding. He did so many things to make men out of boys. He was an excellent roll model. Your consideration for his induction is appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charles Gentry". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Charles Gentry  
Class of 1960



December 2, 2005

Kentucky High School  
Athletic Association  
Hall of Fame Committee

Dear Committee Members,

This letter is written on behalf of Corky Cox who coached at Larue County High School from 1959 until 1968. Coach Cox was my high school coach from 1963 through 1965. During these years he provided a solid foundation of not only basketball skills but values that have lasted into my business and family life. Coach Cox has been truly one of those people who have given of his self not only in time, but financially to help young people who had no one to turn to. In a time when most sports hero's are looking only at what's best for their careers, Coach Cox never thought of his self first, but what he could do to help these young men who played for his program.

Since I've lived in Hodgenville all my life it's been my privilege to have known Coach Cox not only as a coach but now as a personal friend who has always been there to support those young men who he coached. I hope that this committee will include Coach Cox into this group of Kentucky's finest.

Sincerely,

John Keith

NOVEMBER 28, 2005

KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC  
ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE

RE: COACH COURTLAND "CORKY" COX

COACH COX WAS A GREAT TEACHER AND COACH. HE WAS A FATHER FIGURE TO THE TEAM IN THAT HE TOOK GREAT INTEREST IN THE PLAYER AND TAUGHT US HOW TO CONDUCT OURSELVES ON AND OFF THE COURT.

COACH COX WAS A PERSON WHO WAS WILLING TO LISTEN; I COULD TALK TO HIM IF I HAD A PROBLEM. HE ALWAYS ASKED THAT THE PLAYERS GIVE 110 PERCENT AND IN DOING THAT, WE HAD GIVEN OUR BEST. THIS LESSON OF GIVING 110 PERCENT THAT HE TAUGHT ME AS A TEENAGER IN HIS BASKETBALL PROGRAM IN HODGENVILLE HIGH SCHOOL AND LARUE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL, 1957 - 1961, FOLLOWED ME INTO MY 30 YEAR WORK CAREER.

WHENEVER I TALK TO COACH COX, IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE;  
WHENEVER I THINK OF COACH COX, IT IS WITH FONDEST MEMORIES.

COACH COX IS VERY DESERVING OF INDUCTION INTO THE  
KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME.

SINCERELY,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert D. Cox". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

ROBERT D. COX

December 6, 2005

Mr. Jimmy Taylor  
Kentucky High School Athletic Association,  
Hall of Fame Committee  
212 Burgess Lane  
Florence, Kentucky 41042

Re: Courtland "Corky" Cox

Dear Mr. Taylor & Committee;

I'm sending this letter to support the nomination of Corky Cox to the KHSAA Hall of Fame. I was a member of the LaRue County High School varsity basketball team from 1964 -66. Corky Cox was our head basketball coach.

Coach Cox was a special person in my life. He was more than a coach to the Hawks basketball team. He was a mentor for me, and probably for many others on the team. He worked hard to instill character in his players, beyond the usual basketball skills training.

As I think about the people in my life nearly 40 years ago, Coach Cox is one of the few people beyond my parents that made an impression on me and helped me establish values and a direction in life. He used basketball as a vehicle to accomplish this. This is why I think Corky Cox should be in the Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,



John E. LaRue

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KENTUCKY ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

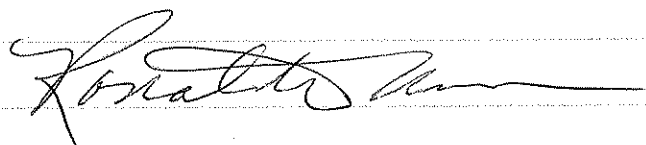
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Hall of Fame Committee:

I would like to see Mr Cortland "Curley" Cox inducted into the Hall of Fame. I played for Jarue County High School in 1959 and was Coached by Mr. Cox. He led our team to the State Tournament. He took teams to the State Tournament several times. Mr Cox is a Gentleman, Family man and well respected in the Community. He still attends and supports our local team. Mr. Cox played basketball at the University of Louisville and was very successful. His moral and Coaching values have had a impact on my life. I would very much like to see Mr. Cox inducted into the Hall of Fame.

Thank You

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Nov 30, 2005

Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame Committee

Dear Members:

**I am writing this letter to support the selection of Mr. Cortland Cox to the Kentucky High School Athletic Hall of Fame. I have known Mr. Cox since 1958 when the LaRue County Schools consolidated and Mr. Cox became the basketball coach for LaRue County High School. Mr. Cox took all of the players under his wings and made us feel at home and part of the new school. He guided the new team to the Sweet Sixteen that very first year under very difficult terms. The old gym at the Hodgenville School burned and our team had no place to practice. We traveled to the surrounding counties every day to practice. Mr. Cox drove the bus and made sure each of us arrived home safe every day (some days taking us himself). I was fortunate enough to have played for him 3 years and to have the opportunity one of those years to realize every Kentucky boys dream and play in the Sweet Sixteen in 1960. He took teams to the State tournament 3 consecutive years. He was my baseball coach and assisted in football and carried the same relationship with his players in those sports. Mr. Cox was strict and demanding but gained the respect of the players and their parents. The discipline and work ethic that I learned from him is one of the reason I have been successful in my life. I owe him a great deal of thanks. He became more than just a coach he became a friend and mentor to all of us. He has kept in touch with his players over the years. In my own personal life, I had heart surgery in Feb of 2004 and one of the very first persons to come and visit was Mr. Cox. He has continued throughout the years to be a friend of my family and myself. Mr. Cortland Cox would be one of the most deserving persons to be accepted into the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nicky L. Durham". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Nicky L. Durham  
LaRue County High School Class of 1961

December 1, 2005

Jeffrey H. Hughes  
120 Circle Crest Drive  
Hodgenville, KY 42748

Kentucky High School Athletic Association  
Hall of Fame Committee

Honorable Members of the Committee,

It is my honor to seek your support in selecting Cortland Cox to the Hall of Fame. I have had the pleasure of knowing Coach Cox since the fifties. Coach Cox is an outstanding community leader. He is highly respected and enjoys the admiration of all those who know him.

Mr. Cox has been coach, teacher, mentor and father figure to untold hundreds of individuals in La Rue and surrounding communities. Though I was not one of Mr. Cox's strong athletes he supported my personal desire to play sports. His praise and criticism was always on target. He mentally supported me and my family through my, and many other students, adolescents. To this day he is the tower of optimism and greets all of his former cliques with the same enthusiasm as fifty years ago. Surely few individuals could be more deserving.

Please do everything that you can to see that Coach Cox is honored and inducted into the Hall of Fame.

Respectfully;

  
Jeffrey H. Hughes



## KHSAA - Hall of Fame Committee:

An hearing of the nomination of Cautland Cox for possible induction into the KHSAA Hall of Fame I would like to comment on how his teaching, coaching, & conduct as a person has affected my life.

He taught me to be prepared, work hard, and to do the very best of my ability whether it be school work, playing basketball, or the treating of others with respect.

As for Basketball, his coaching attitude & demeanor brought all the players from Freshmen to Seniors in a manner that all of us got along with each other & we all tried to make our team better

We had good practices - sometimes long & tiring but it helped us accomplish being better as a team. Mr. Cox was strong on teaching fundamentals such as setting picks, dribbling with both hands, good passing, blocking out on the boards, and to think about what we wanted to do, to the point that we would all know to a great degree how our teammates would probably act in certain situations. He was always ready to help, he was honest & fair.

He has been a contributing citizen in the community + school system since his arrival from West Point, Ky. + graduation from U. of K. I have never personally heard a negative comment about him from anyone

He once told me that "the only people that really know how you are as a person are the people that you are around whether it be as a ballplayer or citizen" I have always remembered that + have tried to live my life with that in mind.

I have the utmost respect + appreciation for his guiding me on the right path at a young age when I needed it. He will always be addressed as Mr. Cox by me and always has been.

I think he would be a worthy + honorable inductee into the KHSAA Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,  
 Thomas H. Duffler  
 Hodgenville High School  
 Class of 1958

THOMAS H. DUFFLER  
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