**JOHN BURT**

**HIGHLANDS HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME**

Inaugural Class of 2015

John Burt was born in 1942 and graduated from Highlands in 1961. He graduated from Western Kentucky University in 1966 with a Bachelor’s degree in Business Administration and Economics. He recieved an MBA degree from Xavier University in 1968 and a Doctorate in Education from Vanderbilt University in 1984. John worked in health care administration. John and his wife Catherine have three sons, John, Gerald, and Andrew, and ten grandchildren.

John played football at Highlands from 1957 to 1960 as a running back and linebacker for coach Homer Rice. His 1957 team was 11-0, won the Rotary Bowl and was ranked number one in the State. His 1958 team was 9-1-1 and his 1959 team was runner-up in the first KHSAA State Championship playoff. His senior year, John was Co-Captain and Highlands was undefeated and won its first State Championship. John was named to the Northern Kentucky Athletic Conference All-Star Team and to the Courier Journal Allstate Football Team. He was awarded a National Football Foundation Scholar-Athlete Award and the Nagel Award. His football jersey, number 40, was the first to be retired by Highlands.

John played baseball for five years at Highlands and was Co-Captain of his team his senior year.

John attended Western Kentucky University on a football scholarship and played football for all four years as a running back. He received the Outstanding Freshman award.

John was inducted into the Northern Kentucky High School Athletic Directors Hall of Fame in 1993 and into the Northern Kentucky Sports Hall of Fame in 1995.