

Dave Tapp Memorial Scholarship

\$500 Scholarship Award

The winner of a \$500 scholarship will be delivered to the bursar's office at the college of your choice.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Gender: _____

Sports Played: _____

GPA: _____

Requirements:

- GPA of 2.5 or above
- Must have been involved with Football or Powerlifting in some capacity
- Senior at Chickasha High School
- Include 2 letters of recommendation
- Include a personal letter to describe the importance Chickasha Football or Powerlifting has had on your life.

Dave Tapp, Coach, Pee Paw, dad, storyteller and the list goes on and on, were used to identify one extraordinary man. A humble man who wanted no recognition, he just wanted to teach and Coach. For 25 years until his death in 2006, Dave called Chickasha home. Although he coached many sports, Coach Tapp's main love was football. One of his most favorite stories, and the birth of "Chick Pride" was when the Kansas Connection (Cavalier, Shklar and Tapp) went to their first District Football Meeting in Marlow, the other coaches actually clucked when they walked in. Chickasha Pride was born on that evening along with an extensive weight lifting Program. At the end of the 7-3 first season, every student and most of the community knew the Fight Song and actually stood when it was played. The 4th quarter was born and the players believed anything could be achieved. A bunch of ball games were won in that fourth quarter. He held many defensive positions until 1995 when this new coach, Tim

Reynolds named him Defensive Coordinator. The new partnership began. His defense led the way in 4A for several years. He was willing to motivate in any way possible including having his head shaved after a ballgame where his defense shut out the opposing team. His belief that a strong weight program was important to any sport and powerlifting became an integral part of the athletic program. A trip to playoffs four years straight with 2 State-Runner Ups and 3 State Championship Powerlifting Teams. Coach Tapp's coaching philosophy was simple, self-discipline, confidence, pride and integrity made young men ready to face the world. Attributes they would use through-out life.