

## Pruitt Cole



**Pruitt Cole was involved as a track and field coach for 33 years. He is a lifetime member of the Texas high School Coaches Association. In 2002, he was inducted into the Friendswood High school Hall of Honor as a former Friendswood Mustang player and coach.**

### **Education**

**Graduated from Friendswood High School in 1957**

**Graduated from the University of Houston – BS – 1961**

**Graduated from the University of Houston – MS – 1969**

### **Professional**

**Taft Jr. High, Taft, Texas – 1962-1963**

**Mt. Carmel High School, Houston, Texas – 1963-1964**

**Santa Fe High School, Santa Fe, Texas – 1964-1966**

**Alief Hastings High School, Alief, Texas – 1966-1968**

**Dulles High School, Stafford, Texas - 1968-1978**

**Friendswood High School, Friendswood, Texas 1978-1994**

## **Track and Field**

**24 State Qualifiers**

**5 State Individual Champions**

**Over 100 Regional Qualifiers**

**4 years Runner Up in District**

**2 years District Championships**

**Won 20 Invitational Meets**

**Friendswood Track Team finished 3<sup>rd</sup> at State Meet**

**9 out of last 10 years at Friendswood had a State Qualifier**

**Had 2 athletes to be invited to the Golden West International Track meet – George Tambourides and Matt Hickl.**

**440 Relay team had the 4<sup>th</sup> best time in the nation- 41.5- 1977**

## **Outstanding Athletes**

**Joey Guerra – Jr. College All American at San Jacinto College, 4<sup>th</sup> in the Southwest Conference in the pole vault 17'4"**

**Keith Goodman- Jr. College All American at San Jacinto College in the pole vault**

**Matt Hickl – Won Indoors Conference Meet at UTEP in Pole Vault**

**Won NAIA National Championship at Texas A & I –2 times- 18'2"**

**Kevin Toth – Jr. College All American at San Jacinto College in the shot put**

**3<sup>rd</sup> place in NCAA at McNeese College in the shot put**

**Olympic Trials Qualifier 3 times in shot put**

**World Indoor Champion in shot put**

**USA Outdoor Champion in shot put**

**World's Best Throw in shot putt – 74'**

**World Ranked for 10 years in shot put**

**George Tambourides – State Champion in the 1600m – 3 times – best time 4:11**

**State Champion in the 3200m – 2 times**

**Jr. College All American at Blinn College – 2 times**

**I want to thank each of the coaches with whom I have coached for their help and support. I feel very fortunate to have been associated with these fine coaches and so many outstanding athletes.**

