



Dick Luebbe Named to Islander Hall of Fame



Dick Luebbe (Center)

Congratulations to Columbus First United Methodist Church member Dick Luebbe who was inducted into the 2017 Islander Hall of Fame. Dick, along with other members of the latest Grand Island Senior High Hall of Fame class, was recognized during halftime of the September 22nd home football game against Omaha North.

Dick, a 1963 graduate of Grand Island Senior High School, was a three year letterman in both football and basketball. He also lettered in track and field and was an outstanding American Legion baseball player. In football, Dick earned first team All Big Ten Conference honors at center his senior season and was also named All State center by the Omaha World-Herald, Lincoln Journal-Star and the Associated Press. He was selected to play in the 1963 Nebraska Shrine Bowl. Later, Dick would move to Columbus where he had a distinguished coaching career, coaching football and track at Columbus High School for over 35 years. Coach Luebbe led the Discoverers football program for 28 seasons. He was selected as a Nebraska Shrine Bowl assistant coach in 1986 and then served as the head coach for the Nebraska Shrine Bowl in 1989.