

Col Timothy Mannasmith, 1967 - 1984

For his 17 years of serving AMA as Head Tennis Coach and Athletic Director, Col R. Timothy Mannasmith has been inducted into the AMA Sports Hall of Fame.

Shawn Ogimachi, '77 and John Arthur, '75, both nominated Col Mannasmith.

Shawn had this to say: *"Not only was (then) MAJ Tim Mannasmith an accomplished tennis player, his ability to impart those skills and bring out the best in his players was unparalleled. He made us better than we thought we could be. And MANY life-lessons were learned from him. Tim was a gifted coach and teacher. PLUS, we always enjoyed traveling to our away matches in the yellow Cadillac!"*

Sport & Position:

- Tennis Coach: 1967-1984 (Seventeen Years Total (72-75 "break")
- Athletic Director: 1978-1983 (Five Years)

Career Information

- College: Univ. Michigan: Bach. of Science and Masters of Science Degrees
- Current Occupation: Retired
- Current Residence: Harrisonburg, VA

AMA Sports Career Highlights and Awards

- Overall Varsity Tennis coaching record was tremendous, despite no post-graduate program
- Varsity Tennis: Virginia Independent Conference Champions – 1977-78 and 1982-83
- Varsity Tennis: Virginia Independent Conference Runner-Up - 1976-77, 1979-80, 1981-82
- Varsity Tennis: Virginia Independent Conference 3rd Place finish – 1980-81
- Grew and expanded the tennis program, setting the conditions for Varsity Tennis success in the late 70's and early 80's. Raised prominence of tennis at AMA and in Western Virginia.

AMA Activities

- Faculty Member/Instructor and Career Counselor
- Began teaching in 1967, teaching biology and ecology. Then, expanded to include consumer math and economics.
- Became the Science Department Head and run the AMA Bookstore in 1972, being asked to step away from coaching to expand the "hard science" capabilities.
- On the Curriculum Advisory Board.
- Became the Athletic Director in 1978 through the closing of the school.
- Elected as an Honorary Member of Ad Astra in 1979.

Post AMA Activities

- Tim's wife passed away a couple of years after AMA closed in 1984, and he took over running her florist (Blakemore's Florist) business in Harrisonburg.
- Tim earned his Virginia real estate license.
- He is a dedicated participant for alumni and reunion activities.

