

# GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS HALL OF FAME

## TIM KLITCH



Tim Klitch, a 1979 graduate of Grandview Heights High School, was a four year member of the varsity tennis team.

Tim played as the team's #2 player his freshman season and served as the team's #1 his sophomore through senior seasons. During his senior season, he won the District and finished 3rd at the State tournament. That season, he had a record of 23-3 at the #1 singles.

After graduating from GHHS, Tim transferred to Miami University his sophomore year and walked onto the tennis team. During his career at Miami, he went undefeated in MAC singles and finished with an overall record of 35-1 in conference singles and doubles play. He also won three individual MAC championships, and was part of two team championships during his collegiate career.

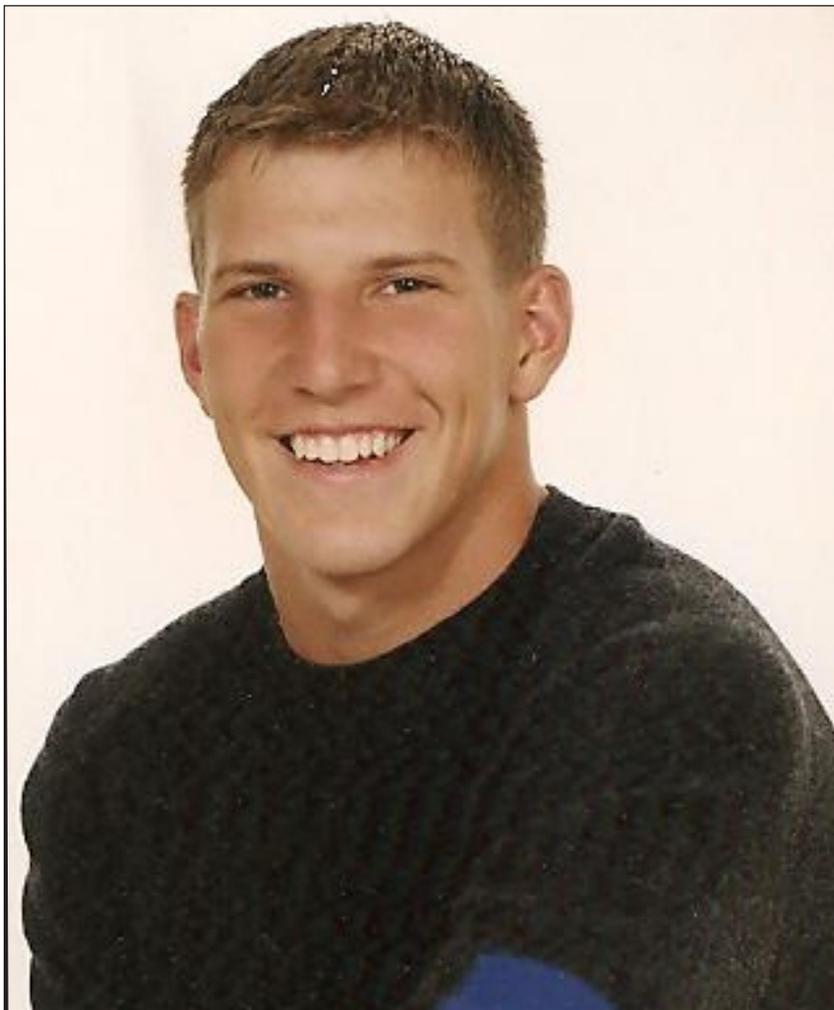
Tim briefly played on the pro tennis tour after graduating from Miami and when his career ended, he had earned a world ranking of 800.

Tim began his banking career in Austin, Texas, and while there, was ranked #1 in Texas in multiple age groups. He was a part of the five city team championships, two sectional team titles and ten club championships at Westwood Country Club. He was named men's player of the year in 2014, continuing his family tradition of lifelong involvement in tennis. Most importantly, he has maintained his family's #1 ranking over his "less talented" younger sister.

Tim still resides in Austin, with his wife Barbara, and is the father of three sons. He has been in the financial services industry for 35 years

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## NICK BARTE



Nick Barte, a 2002 graduate of Grandview Heights High School, was a four-sport athlete earning a total of 11 varsity letters in Wrestling, Baseball, Golf and Football.

A four-year letter winner and two-time captain in wrestling for coach and fellow Hall of Famer Andy DiSabato, Nick was a three-time District qualifier and two-time State qualifier. He finished as the State runner-up his senior year in the 189 lb weight class. He was also a vital member of the Bobcat wrestling team that finished 3rd overall as a team in the State and 3rd at the State duals during his senior season, as well.

For the Bobcat baseball team, Nick was a three-time letter winner and captain. During his senior season, he led the Bobcats to a 27-7 record that included a Buckeye Athletic Conference championship and a District championship. As a starting pitcher, he led the Bobcats with a 14-1 record, 137 strikeouts and a 0.46 ERA in 77 and 2/3 innings. These stats led all of Central Ohio in both categories in 2002. Nick was named to the BAC All-Conference Team and was also named Conference Player of the Year in 2002. In addition, he was also named Central District Player of the Year and earned the State honor of Mizuno All-Ohio.

Nick was also a three-time letter winner for the Bobcat golf team. During his three seasons on the links, the Bobcats were BAC champions each year. As a senior, Nick joined the football team and lettered as the starting quarterback.

After graduating from GHHS, Nick attended Eastern Kentucky University on a baseball scholarship. There, he was a four-year starter and earned a B.S. in Mathematics teaching. He also earned his Master's degree from Cumberland University.

Nick is the son of Susan and Trent Barte, and his brother, Chris is a 2008 graduate of GHHS.

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## TOM CAVANAUGH



Tom Cavanaugh is a 1968 graduate of Grandview Heights High School. While there he earned four varsity letters: two in tennis and two in basketball. While in high school, Tom began his 50-year career of volunteering, beginning with the annual Bobcat Booster Ox Roast.

After graduating from GHHS, Tom enlisted in the United States Navy. He attended several "A" schools before being sent to Vietnam as a Seabee. He was honorably discharged from the Navy in 1972. Upon returning to civilian life, he started college, worked part-time and returned to volunteering at GHHS.

Fellow Hall of Famer Larry Larson talked Tom into volunteering with the football team, which served as the beginning of his illustrious volunteering career. Over the years, he branched out to volunteering in all sports. Currently, he handles equipment setup and supervision of officials and police at varsity contests.

Tom never married and is the oldest of four boys. His brothers Kevin, Tim and Brian are also Grandview graduates. He still enjoys walking and attending Grandview games. He is an avid softball player, participating in several leagues in the summer and fall. He still works every year in the food booth at the Bobcat Booster Ox Roast.

Tom reached two milestones in 2015: 50 years of volunteering for the school and the Boosters, as well as 50 gallons of blood donation.