

### **Eric Crouch**

Quarterback | 1998-2001 Omaha, Neb.

- ▶ 2001 Heisman Trophy
- ▶ 2001 Walter Camp Player of the Year
- ▶ 2001 Davey O'Brien Quarterback Award

In his final year as one of the best option quarterbacks in college football history, Eric Crouch won three major national awards, including the Heisman Trophy, Walter Camp Player-of-the-Year award and the Davey O'Brien quarterback award.

Crouch was one of a select few quarterbacks in NCAA history to rush for 3,000 yards and pass for 4,000 yards in a career, while joining a distinguished group of quarterbacks in NCAA history to rush and pass for 1,000 yards in the same season in 2001.

The Millard North graduate holds the NCAA record for career rushing touchdowns by a quarterback with 59, including 16 or more in each of his three full seasons as the Huskers' starter. Crouch accounted for a school-record 88 total offense touchdowns in his Nebraska career, with 25 in his Heisman Trophy campaign. He shattered the Nebraska total offense record, finishing his career with 7,915 yards and established the Big 12 record for rushing yards by a quarterback with 3,434 yards.

In addition to the three major awards Crouch earned as a senior, he was also named national player of the year by The Sporting News and ABC among others. His highlight-reel career was capped by two signature plays during his senior year. Crouch eluded nearly every Missouri defender on a school-record 95-yard touchdown scramble in a Nebraska victory in Columbia. A month later he capped the Huskers' 20-10 win in a Big 12 showdown against Oklahoma with a 63-yard touchdown reception on a throwback pass from Mike Stuntz.

Crouch led Nebraska to the Bowl Championship Series national title game in the 2002 Rose Bowl against Miami. Against the Hurricanes, the All-American capped his career with 114 yards rushing on 22 carries to lead all rushers, while adding 62 yards on five completions through the air. Crouch played the bowl game with his degree in hand after graduating in December 2001. Crouch's jersey was retired during the fall of 2002.

The consumate leader, Crouch was one of five team captains as a senior, the first quarterback to earn the honor in a decade. He was drafted as a wide receiver in the third round of the 2002 NFL Draft by the St. Louis Rams with the 95th overall pick.

Crouch played one season for the Hamburg Sea Devils in NFL Europe, before playing the 2006 and 2007 seasons with the Toronto Argonauts in the CFL.

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Passing						
Year	Att.	Comp.	Pct.	Int.	Yds.	TD
1998	101	49	.485	4	601	4
1999	160	83	.419	4	1,269	7
2000	156	75	.481	7	1,101	11
2001	189	105	.556	10	1,510	7_
Totals	606	312	.515	25	4,481	29

Rushing	Total Offense										
Year	Att.	Net	Avg.	TDs	Att.	Yds.	TD	Y/G			
1998	96	459	4.8	4	197	1,060	9	132.5			
1999	180	889	4.9	16	340	2,158	23	179.8			
2000	169	971	5.7	20	325	2,072	31	188.4			
2001	203	1,115	5.5	18	392	2,625	25	218.8			
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## **Tommie Frazier**

Quarterback | 1992-95 Bradenton, Fla.

▶ 1995 Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award

Tommie Frazier cemented his place in Nebraska football history by producing his best performances in Nebraska's greatest games. A four-year starter who regularly rose to the occasion, Frazier led the Huskers to back-to-back national titles in 1994 and 1995 and captured most valuable player honors in both championship games.

As a junior, Frazier returned from a seven-game absence caused by a blood clot to direct the Huskers to a come-from-behind win over Miami in the FedEx Orange Bowl. He engineered two touchdown drives in the fourth quarter to give Nebraska a 24-17 victory and its first national title in 23 years. The following season, Frazier rushed 16 times for an NCAA quarterback bowl-record 199 yards and two scores to lead NU to its second national championship in a 62-24 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl rout of No. 2 Florida. Frazier, who also completed 6-of-14 passes for 105 yards and a touchdown, helped the Husker offense establish NCAA bowl records for most rushing yards (524) and most points in a quarter (29 in the second, since broken by NU in the 2000 Alamo Bowl, 31 in the second).

Frazier ended his senior season ranked first on the team in total offense with 1,996 yards (178.7 per game), third in scoring with 7.8 points per game and second in rushing with 604 yards on 97 attempts. He also finished second in the Big Eight Conference in passing efficiency at 156.14, a figure that would have ranked sixth nationally if he had produced the required 15 attempts per game.

So apparent was Frazier's dominance in 1995 that eight organizations recognized him as a first-team All-American, including the AP, UPI, Walter Camp, Football Writers Association of America, American Football Quarterly, College Sports, Football Foundation and AFCA. Frazier became the first Husker ever to win the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award, finished second in the Heisman Trophy voting, received the UPI's Player-of-the-Year and The Sporting News Offensive Player-of-the-Year awards and was a finalist for the Davey O'Brien, Maxwell and the Walter Camp Player-of-the-Year awards.

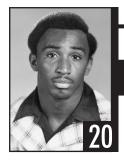
Frazier finished his career with a Big Eight-record 33-3 overall mark as a starter. He ranks No. 2 in school history with 43 passing touchdowns, while ranking third with 5,476 total offense yards and 79 touchdowns.

One of the 10 greatest college football players of the century according to Sport magazine, Frazier's No. 15 jersey was retired in the fall of 1996. Frazier was the head football coach at Doane College in Crete, Neb., in 2005 and 2006, and is now working in private business based out of Lincoln.

#### Career Statistics

Passing						
Year	Att.	Comp.	Pct.	Int.	Yds.	TD
1992	100	44	.440	1	727	10
1993	162	77	.475	4	1,159	12
1994	44	19	.432	2	273	4
1995	163	92	.564	4	1,362	17
Totals	469	232	.495	11	3.521	43

Rushing					Total C	)ffense		
Year	Att.	Net	Avg.	TDs	Att.	Yds.	TD	Y/G
1992	86	399	4.6	7	186	1,126	17	125.1
1993	126	704	5.6	9	288	1,863	21	169.4
1994	33	248	7.5	6	77	521	10	130.3
1995	97	604	6.2	14	260	1,966	31	178.7
Totals	342	1,955	5.7	36	811	5,476	79	156.5



## Johnny Rodgers

Wingback | 1970-72 Omaha, Neb.

- ▶ 1972 Heisman Trophy
- ▶ 1972 Walter Camp Player of the Year

Johnny Rodgers, the 1972 Heisman Trophy winner, came to the University of Nebraska from Omaha Tech and became one of the most exciting players to ever play for the Huskers.

Earning All-Big Eight honors as a sophomore slotback and wide receiver in 1970, Rodgers blossomed as a national star in 1971 to help lead Nebraska to its second consecutive national championship.

It was Rodgers' sensational 72-yard punt return for the first touchdown that ignited the Huskers' thrilling 35-31 victory over Oklahoma in the "Game of the Century" in 1971. His 77-yard punt return touchdown against Alabama helped trigger the 38-6 Orange Bowl victory that sewed up Nebraska's second national title.

Capping a tremendous career with a fantastic final performance, Rodgers devastated Notre Dame in the 1973 Orange Bowl. In the most sensational finale ever for a Heisman winner, Rodgers moved into the I-back spot and blitzed the Irish with four touchdowns, runs of eight, four and five yards, and a 50-yard pass from quarterback Dave Humm. Rodgers passed for another, a 52-yard strike to Frosty Anderson. Rodgers' point total set an Orange Bowl record.

The top pass receiver and kick return man in Big Eight history, Rodgers owns 41 school records and seven conference records. He was named ABC/Chevrolet Offensive Player of the Year in 1972 and received a \$5,000 scholarship. His jersey was retired at Nebraska following the 1972 season.

Few players in NCAA history have shown Rodgers' versatility. During his three-year career, in which Nebraska posted a 32-2-2 record, Rodgers gained a then-NCAA-record 5,487 all-purpose yards with a total of 6,059 including bowl games. His 13.8 career average was a national record for yards per touch. Rodgers was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame on Dec. 14, 2000, in New York.

Rodgers, who held NCAA records for punt return touchdowns in a career (seven) and most career kick return touchdowns (nine) for three decades, ranks as Nebraska's all-time leading pass receiver with 143 catches for 2,479 yards, and ranks sixth in points with 264 on 44 touchdowns in his career. His school records include most career all-purpose yards (5,586), most touchdown receptions in a season (11) and career (25) and most receiving yards in a career (2,479).

Rodgers lives in Omaha and is involved in community and public relations.

Co	areer St	atistics							
Punt Reti	urns				Kick Returns				
Year	PR	Yds.	Avg.	TDs	KOR	Yds.	Avg.	TDs	
1970	26	349	13.4	2	17	359	21.1	0	
1971	33	548	16.6	3	10	304	30.4	1	
1972	39	618	15.8	2	8	184	23.0	0	
Totals	98	1,515	15.5	7	35	847	24.2	1	
Rushing					Receivi	ng			
Year	Att.	Net	Avg.	TDs	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs	
1970	36	219	6.1	2	35	665	19.0	7	
1971	36	259	7.2	2	53	872	16.5	11	
1972	58	267	4.6	7	55	942	17.1	7	
Totals	130	745	5.7	11	143	2,479	17.3	25	



### Mike Rozier

I-Back | 1981-83 Camden, N.J.

- ▶ 1983 Heisman Trophy
- ▶ 1983 Maxwell Award
- ▶ 1983 Walter Camp Player of the Year

Mike Rozier became Nebraska's second Heisman winner in 1983, when he rushed for a school-record 2,148 yards and 29 touchdowns. Rozier's 4,780 rushing yards are tops on Nebraska and Big Eight Conference career charts and his 52 touchdowns trail only fellow Heisman winner Eric Crouch. Rozier's jersey was retired at Nebraska following his Heisman Trophy season in 1983.

Rozier rewrote the Nebraska rushing and scoring record book, along with making a considerable dent in the Big Eight and NCAA books during a phenomenal senior season. Rozier was a first-round selection by both the USFL (first pick overall) and the NFL (second pick overall in the supplemental draft) after setting Nebraska's rushing records for attempts in a season (273) and career (668) and a then-school record for yards in a game (285 vs. Kansas). Rozier set Big Eight marks for yards per carry in a season (7.81) and career (7.16) and yards gained in four consecutive games (929 in his last four). He set the Nebraska and Big Eight marks with 29 touchdowns and 174 points in 1983, while his 49 career rushing touchdowns and 312 points trail only fellow Heisman winner Eric Crouch's 59 rushing touchdowns and 368 career points among position players in the Husker record book. All 29 of Rozier's touchdowns in 1983 came on the ground, setting an NCAA record, in addition to tying the NCAA record for total touchdowns.

His 11 100-yard games in 1983 tied yet another NCAA record, shared by six others, and his 1983 total of 2,148 yards is one of the top 10 marks in NCAA history. He was the second rusher in NCAA history to rush for 2,000 yards in a season. Rozier was Nebraska's first-ever NCAA rushing champion (179.0 yards per game) and its second national scoring leader (Bobby Reynolds was the first in 1950) with an average of 14.5 points per game. His career rushing total of 4,780 yards ranks among the top 10 in NCAA history. He also ranks eighth all time at Nebraska in total offense.

Rozier set another Husker record with 2,486 all-purpose yards in 1983, topping Johnny Rodgers' 1972 total of 2,011. Named All-Big Eight as a sophomore in 1981, Rozier began to dominate as a junior when senior Roger Craig was hampered by ankle injuries. He gained a then-Husker record 1,689 rushing yards in 1982 to vault himself into the national spotlight, earning All-America and Big Eight Player-of-the-Year honors, and finishing 10th in the Heisman voting. The New Jersey native won the conference player-of-the-week award six times in his final two seasons.

Rozier spent eight years in professional football, including seven seasons in the NFL. He spent six seasons with the Houston Oilers from 1985 to 1990, before closing his career with the Atlanta Falcons in 1990 and 1991. He began his pro career with the Pittsburgh Maulers in the USFL in 1984, and he played with the USFL's Jacksonville Bulls in 1985. He now lives in Camden, N.J.

	Career	Statistics							
Rushin	q				Rec	eiving			
Year	Att.	Net	Avg.	TDs	Rec	. Yds.	Avg.		TDs
1981	151	943	6.2	5	4	64	16.0		0
1982	242	1,689	7.0	15	6	46	7.7		2
1983	275	2,148	7.8	29	10	106	10.6		0
Totals	668	4,780	7.2	49	20	216	10.8		2
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Year	PR	Yds.	Avg.	TDs	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	TP
1981	5	162	32.4	1	160	1,169	7.3	6	36
1982	4	55	13.8	0	252	1,790	7.1	17	102
1983	11	232	21.1	0	296	2,486	8.4	29	174
Totals	20	449	22.5	1	708	5,445	7.7	52	312



### **Trev Alberts**

Outside Linebacker | 1990-93 Cedar Falls, Iowa

▶ 1993 Butkus Award

One of the most decorated defensive players in Husker history, Trev Alberts became Nebraska's first Butkus Award winner in 1993, capping one of the finest seasons in history by an NU defensive player.

As a senior co-captain, the Cedar Falls, lowa, native led the Huskers to an undefeated regular season and an Orange Bowl appearance against Florida State. The Big Eight defensive MVP, Alberts led the Huskers with 96 tackles, including 47 solo stops, and tied a school record with 15 sacks for 88 yards. He also had 21 tackles for 99 yards lost, three fumbles caused, one pass breakup and 38 quarterback hurries, all of which were team highs. He recorded eight double-figure tackle games



and had at least one sack in nine games. In the final regular-season game, he dislocated his elbow, but returned to play in the Orange Bowl, where he had six tackles, including three sacks for 29 yards lost, and three quarterback hurries, earning defensive MVP honors in the Huskers' 18-16 loss to Florida State.

For his performance, Alberts was named a first-team All-American by every major publication and was named the Football News National Defensive Player of the Year, Big Eight Defensive Player of the Year and the Big Eight Male Athlete of the Year. His No. 34 jersey was retired

at the 1994 Spring Game.

In 1992, Alberts totaled 73 tackles, including 11 tackles for loss, as he earned first-team All-Big Eight and second-team All-America honors. As a freshman in 1990, he was the Big Eight Defensive Newcomer of the Year, making 26 tackles, including four sacks.

Alberts set then-school records for tackles for loss with 45 (for 242 yards lost) and sacks with 29.5 (for 196 yards lost). He also had five fumbles caused, five recovered fumbles, six pass breakups and 69 quarterback hurries in his Husker career. His 248 tackles rank 10th on Nebraska's all-time chart.

Off the field, Alberts was equally decorated, earning the NCAA's highest honor, The Today's Top Six Award, in 1993. A three-time academic All-Big Eight honoree, Alberts earned postgraduate scholarships from the National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame, NACDA Disney, the NCAA and the Big Eight. A CoSIDA Academic All-American in 1993, he graduated from Nebraska before his senior season.

Alberts was the fifth pick in the 1994 NFL Draft by Indianapolis and played for the Colts until 1996. He is in his first year as the athletic director at Nebraska-Omaha.

#### Career Statistics

Defense	!												
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Year	G/S	UT	ΑT	TT	TFL	Sacks	C-R	BK	PBU	PI	Hry.C	sd.	
1990	10/0	10	16	26	4-33	4-33	0-1	0	0	0	20	0	
1991	11/0	21	32	53	9-60	7-50	1-3	0	1	0	12	1	
1992	11/11	27	46	73	11-50	3.5-25	1-1	1	4	0	17	1	
1993	11/11	47	49	96	21-99	15-88	3-0	0	1	0	38	0	
Totals	43/22	105	143	248	45-242 2	29.5-196	5-5	1	6	0	69	2	



## **Dave Rimington**

Center | 1979-82 Omaha, Neb.

- ▶ 1981 and 1982 Outland Trophy
- ▶ 1982 Lombardi Award

The only player ever to win the Outland Trophy in consecutive years (1981 and 1982), Dave Rimington is one of the most decorated offensive linemen in college football history.

The 6-foot-3, 290-pound center was a two-time first-team All-American in 1981 and 1982 and is one of just 16 Huskers to have his jersey retired. He was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 1997, while his No. 50 jersey was retired by Nebraska in 1982.

A three-time first-team All-Big Eight choice from 1980 to 1982, Rimington

was named the Big Eight Offensive Player of the Year in 1981, marking the only time in conference history that a lineman has earned the prestigious honor. During his career, the Omaha South grad helped the Huskers win back-to-back Big Eight titles in 1981 and 1982, as Nebraska led the nation in rushing during his senior season.

Afour-year letterman and three-year starter, Rimington was named team captain and capped his senior



season by winning the 1982 Lombardi Award. Also, a two-time first-team academic All-American, Rimington was honored by the NCAA as a Top-Five Student-Athlete and was selected as a National Football Foundation and College Football Hall of Fame Scholar-Athlete in 1982.

He was also a three-time first-team academic All-Big Eight choice from 1980 to 1982. Most recently, Rimington became the first Nebraska student-athlete in history to be inducted into the CoSIDA Academic All-America Hall of Fame. Rimington claimed that distinguished honor in July of 2004.

A first-round draft choice of the Cincinnati Bengals in 1983, Rimington played five seasons with the Bengals, and played two seasons with the Philadelphia Eagles before retiring in 1989.

Rimington is the president of the Boomer Esiason Foundation and resides in New York. In 2000, the first Rimington Award sponsored by the Boomer Esiason Foundation to honor college football's center of the year was presented to Nebraska center Dominic Raiola, whose jersey No. 54 was retired in 2002. The annual award is presented in Lincoln.



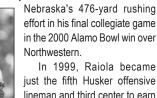
## Dominic Raiola

Center | 1998-2000 Honolulu, Hawaii

▶ 2000 Dave Rimington Trophy

Dominic Raiola continued Nebraska's long line of outstanding centers by capping his three-year career with the first-ever Dave Rimington Award in 2000. A two-year starter for the Big Red, the 6-foot-2, 300-pounder from Honolulu was a two-time All-Big 12 selection and earned consensus first-team All-America honors in his final season as a Husker. Raiola's No. 54 jersey was retired in the fall of 2002.

A finalist for the Lombardi Award and Outland Trophy, Raiola earned unanimous All-Big 12 honors as a junior in 2000. He helped the 2000 Huskers to an NCAA rushing title (349.0 yards per game) and top-six rankings in both total offense (459.0 ypg, sixth) and scoring offense (41.5 points per game, fourth). He totaled 145 pancakes (knock-down blocks) as a junior, including a career-high 18 against Kansas, when he was selected as the ABC/Chevrolet Player of the Game. He also fueled

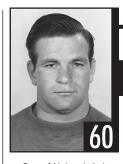


In 1999, Raiola became just the fifth Husker offensive lineman and third center to earn first-team all-conference honors as a sophomore, and the first Husker center to be so honored as a sophomore since Rimington in 1980. He led the team with 140 pancakes, and had seven double-figure performances on the season. He was selected to the Sports Illustrated All-Bowl Team after helping NU rush for 321 yards in the 2000 Fiesta Bowl win over Tennessee.

After redshirting in 1997, Raiola played in every game

and started twice as a redshirt freshman. He was also the team's deep snapper on special teams and recorded four tackles (one solo) in 12 regular-season games and two more in the Holiday Bowl. Although he started only one regular-season game (the season finale against Colorado) and the Holiday Bowl against Arizona, Raiola finished fourth in pancakes with 76 and had four double-figure pancake games. He was the first Husker offensive lineman to start a game as a freshman since Rob Zatechka started once in 1991.

A two-time academic All-Big 12 selection, Raiola bypassed his senior year and was selected by the Detroit Lions in the second round of the 2001 NFL Draft, the 50th pick overall, and has played the past eight seasons with the club. He has played in every game since being drafted and had a streak of 104 consecutive starts at center end in 2008.



## Tom Novak

Center/Linebacker | 1946-49 Omaha, Neb.

- One of only two permanently retired jerseys in NU history
- ▶ NU's only four-time all-conference selection

One of Nebraska's legends during the first half of the 20th century, Tom "Train Wreck" Novak was one of the finest players in Nebraska history.

A two-way player for Nebraska in the late 1940s, Novak is Nebraska's only four-time all-conference selection on the gridiron, earning All-Big Six honors as a fullback/center in 1946 and 1947 before moving to center, where he was a two-time All-Big Seven honoree in 1948 and 1949. In addition, he also was a linebacker, who sparked fear into the hearts of opponents. In 1947, Novak's toughness earned him a spot on Notre Dame's all-opponent team, despite the fact the Huskers fell to the Fighting Irish, 31-0.

A half century after his final game at Nebraska, Novak's name is still prevalent in Husker record books, as he is tied for third on the school's all-time interception list with 11. His five interceptions during the 1948 season remains a school record for linebackers

An Omaha South High School graduate, Novak earned All-America honors for Nebraska following the 1949 season and later played in the 1949 East-West Shrine Game in Palo Alto, Calif., and the 1950 College Football All-Star Game in Chicago.

Novak's No. 60 was retired following the 1949 season, and was the first Husker to have his jersey number retired.

He now shares that distinction at Nebraska with College and Pro Football Hall of Famer Bob Brown, who had his No. 64 jersey number permanently retired in 2004.



Novak, who was inducted into the Nebraska Football Hall of Fame in 1972, also was a three-year baseball letterwinner under Coach Tony Sharpe, helping the Huskers win Big Seven titles in 1948 and 1950.

Each year, the Tom Novak Award is presented to the Husker senior football player who "best exemplifies courage and determination despite all odds in the manner of Nebraska All-America center Tom Novak." The award is presented annually at the Outland Trophy Award dinner.

Novak passed away on Nov. 1, 1998.



## **Bob Brown**

Offensive Guard | 1961-63

- One of only two permanently retired jerseys in NU history
- ▶ Pro Football Hall of Fame (2004)
- ► College Football Hall of Fame (1993)

A unanimous All-American in 1963, Bob "Boomer" Brown used his massive size for his day and age (6-5, 260 pounds) and his relentless aggressiveness to help turn the Nebraska football program into one of the best in the nation.

Brown led Coach Bob Devaney's second Nebraska team to a 10-1 record and its first-ever Big Eight championship, the Huskers' first conference title since 1940.

Brown also played linebacker for the Huskers and recorded 49 tackles, a pass interception and two fumble recoveries.

Brown's accomplishments as a collegian led to his induction in the College Football Hall of Fame in South Bend, Ind., in 1993.

As a professional player, Brown was one of the most feared offensive tackles in the NFL. In his 10 professional seasons, Brown earned six trips to the Pro Bowl and was named first-team All-NFL seven times.

He was named to the NFL's All-Decade team during the 1960s, and was named the NFL/NFC Offensive Lineman of the Year three times.

Brown was selected by the

Philadelphia Eagles with the No. 2 overall pick in the first round of the 1964 NFL Draft. He spent his first five seasons in the NFL with Philadelphia, before spending two seasons with the Los Angeles Rams and three seasons with the Oakland Raiders. He played in 126 career NFL games.

Brown's accomplishments as an NFL great were honored with his induction into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio, in 2004.

Brown is one of just 10 players among Big 12 Conference schools to earn enshrinement in both the College and Pro Football Hall of Fame. He is also one of two Huskers to share that honor, joining Guy Chamberlin, an All-America end for the Huskers in 1915.

A graduate of East Technical High School in Cleveland, Ohio, Brown was the first African-American to earn All-America honors at Nebraska, and the first All-American to play for Devaney and the Huskers.

Brown, whose No. 64 jersey joins Tom Novak's No. 60 as the only two numbers permanently retired at Nebraska, is the most recent of the 16 Huskers to have his jersey retired. Brown's jersey was retired during the Colorado football game in 2004.

Offensive lineman Kurt Mann from Grand Island, Neb., was the last Nebraska player to wear No. 64.



## Aaron Taylor

Offensive Guard | 1994-97 Wichita Falls, Texas

▶ 1997 Outland Trophy

The only Husker to earn All-America honors at two positions, Aaron Taylor is Nebraska's most recent Outland Trophy winner, taking the school's eighth award home following the 1997 season.

The seventh Husker to win the Outland, Taylor earned All-America honors at center in 1996 before moving to left guard in 1997. During his career, the Huskers were 49-2 (.961) and won four straight bowl games, including three national titles. His No. 67 was retired in 1998.

As a senior, he led the Huskers to a 13-0 record and the school's third national title in four years, finishing with a then-school record 137 pancake blocks. A co-captain,



Taylor helped NU lead the nation in total offense, rushing offense and scoring offense in 1997. A consensus All-American, he was also a semifinalist for the 1997 Lombardi Award.

As a junior, Taylor finished with 113 pancake blocks in helping NU rank fourth nationally in scoring, fifth in rushing and 25th in total offense. He earned first-team All-America

honors from Football News, Football Writers and Walter Camp and was a first-team all-conference pick for the second consecutive year.

After serving as a backup as a freshman, Taylor moved into a starting role in 1995. He helped Nebraska win its second straight national title, aiding NU to a No. 2 national ranking in total offense and a Big Eight and school-record 52.4 points per game, bettering a mark that had stood in the record book since 1983. The Wichita Falls, Texas, native was a third-team All-American from Football News and earned first-team All-Big Eight honors from the AP and Football News. He is one of only six Husker linemen to earn first-team all-conference honors in three straight seasons.

Following his Husker career, he was drafted by the Indianapolis Colts in the seventh round of the 1998 NFL Draft. He played with the Colts and the Chicago Bears during the 1998 season. Taylor resides in Omaha.



### Dean Steinkuhler

Offensive Guard | 1981-83 Burr, Neb.

- ▶ 1983 Lombardi Award
- ▶ 1983 Outland Trophy

Among the top offensive linemen ever to play at Nebraska, Dean Steinkuhler anchored a line that paved the way for the nation's leading rushing offense in 1983 before sweeping the top awards presented to linemen.

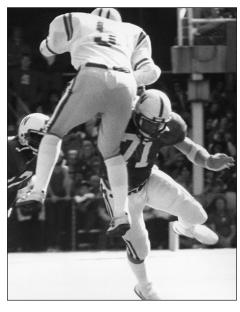
As a senior that season, Steinkuhler won both the Lombardi Award, which is presented to the nation's outstanding interior player, and the Outland Trophy, which goes to the top lineman in the country. He helped create holes for Heisman Trophy winner Mike Rozier, who became only the second player in NCAA history to rush for

2,000 yards in a season in 1983.

Steinkuhler's No. 71 jersey, along with Rozier's No. 30 jersey, was retired following the 1983 season, in which the Huskers rushed for an average of 401.7 yards per game, while also leading the nation inscoring, averaging 52.0 points per contest.

Steinkuhler was named to nearly every All-America list in 1983, giving his hometown of Burr (population 110) the distinction of being the smallest town at the time to ever produce a consensus All-American.

As a junior in 1982,



Steinkuhler played side-by-side with three All-Big Eight selections (Dave Rimington, Mike Mandelko and Randy Theiss) before earning the honor himself the following year.

Following a stellar senior season, Steinkuhler became the highest-drafted Husker lineman ever, when the Houston Oilers selected him as the second pick in the 1984 NFL Draft. Steinkuhler played eight seasons with the Houston Oilers before retiring following the 1991 season. Steinkuhler followed fellow Husker Irving Fryar in the draft, marking only the second time in NFL history, and the first since 1967, that the top two players were from the same school.

Steinkuhler now resides in Syracuse, Neb. His son, Baker, is a redshirt freshman defensive tackle on the 2009 Nebraska roster. His older son, Ty, completed his eligibility as a defensive lineman for Nebraska in 2008.



## Zach Wiegert

Offensive Tackle | 1991-94 Fremont, Neb.

▶ 1994 Outland Trophy

The anchor of the 1994 Husker "Pipeline," Zach Wiegert won the Huskers' seventh Outland Trophy, awarded to the nation's top interior lineman, following Nebraska's 1994 national championship season.

A consensus All-American, Wiegert led NU to its 11th NCAA rushing title and first national title since 1971. The Huskers averaged 340 yards per game on the ground as the Fremont, Neb., native led Nebraska with 113 pancake blocks in 1994. He even



earned one first-place vote for the Heisman, ending up tied for ninth with 27 points. In addition to winning the Outland, he was a finalist for the Lombardi Award, a consensus All-American, the UPI Lineman of the Year and the Touchdown Club of Columbus Offensive Lineman of the Year. His No. 72 jersey was retired before the 1995 season.

With a perfect 2.0 grade against Kansas in 1994, Wiegert was Nebraska's nominee for Big Eight Offensive Player of the Week, the first time an offensive lineman was nominated for weekly conference honors

since 1987, and was also the ABC/Chevrolet Player of the Game against UCLA.

In his 46-game career, Wiegert, a three-year starter at right tackle, gave up just one sack en route to earning All-Big Eight honors in 1992, 1993 and 1994. He became one of only six linemen and 20 overall players in NU history to earn first-team all-conference honors in three consecutive seasons. He earned second-team All-America honors in 1993, helping Nebraska to an undefeated regular season and an Orange Bowl appearance.

He was a second-round draft pick by the St. Louis Rams (38th selection overall) in the 1995 NFL Draft. He played with the Rams for four seasons from 1995 to 1998, and spent four more seasons with the Jacksonville Jaguars from 1999 to 2002. He closed his 12-year NFL career by playing his final four seasons with the Houston Texans from 2003 through 2006. He appeared in 145 career games with 137 NFL starts.



### Larry Jacobson

Defensive Tackle | 1969-71 Sioux Falls, S.D.

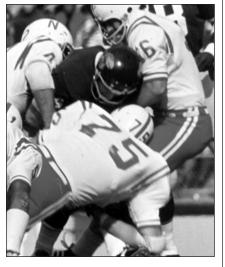
▶ 1971 Outland Trophy

A standout on Nebraska's 1970 and 1971 national championship teams, Larry Jacobson became Nebraska's first major award winner, capturing the Outland Trophy following his senior season. Jacobson became the first of seven Huskers to win eight Outland trophies, symbolic of the nation's top interior lineman. Jacobson was also named the Knute Rockne Award winner in 1971, which was given to the nation's outstanding lineman.

Jacobson's No. 75 was retired along with Trev Alberts' No. 34 and Will Shields' No.

75 at the 1994 Spring Game, marking the only time in school history that three jerseys were retired at the same time.

As a senior, Jacobson recorded 73 tackles, including 28 solos, and added 12 tackles for 73 yards lost and an interception on his way to earning All-Big Eight and All-America honors. One of two All-Americans (along with Rich Glover) on the Husker defensive line in 1971, Jacobson helped the Blackshirts to top-five national rankings in rush defense (85.9, second), total defense (202.9, fifth) and scoring defense (8.2, third). Jacobson helped the Huskers to a 13-0 record and



a second straight national title. He also was lauded for his efforts in the classroom, earning CoSIDA Academic All-America honors following his senior campaign.

Jacobson broke onto the national scene during his junior season, helping the Huskers to their first national title. The 6-foot-6 inch, 250-pound, Sioux Falls, S.D., native finished with 49 tackles, including 33 solos, nine tackles for 61 yards lost and a team-best three fumble recoveries.

One of three Huskers selected in the first round of the 1972 NFL Draft, Jacobson was the No. 24 overall selection by the New York Giants. He played with the Giants for four seasons before retiring following the 1975 campaign. Jacobson resides in Lincoln.

#### Career Statistics

Defense							
	(	-Tackles	)				
Year	UT	AT	TT	TFL	BK	PBU	PI
1969	2	8	10	1-9	0	0	0
1970	33	16	49	9-61	0	1	0
1971	28	45	73	12-73	0	1	1
Totals	63	69	132	22-143	0	2	1



## Will Shields

Offensive Guard | 1989-92 Lawton, Okla.

▶ 1992 Outland Trophy

One of a long line of outstanding offensive linemen at Nebraska, Will Shields became the fifth Husker to win the Outland Trophy, capturing the prestigious award following the 1992 season.

A consensus All-American and a Lombardi Award semifinalist as a senior, Shields helped the Huskers win national team rushing titles in three of his four seasons at Nebraska (1989, 1991 and 1992). NU's first scholarship player from the state of Oklahoma, Shields is one of only six Husker linemen to earn all-conference honors for three straight seasons.

Shields' No. 75 was retired at the 1994 Spring Game, along with Butkus Award winner Trev Alberts' No. 34 and the No. 75 jersey of former Outland Trophy winner

Larry Jacobson. The ceremony marked the first time that three jerseys were retired at the same time.

As a senior, Shields received votes for Big Eight Offensive Player of the Year and earned All-America honors from Kodak, AP, UPI, Walter Camp and Football News.

During his junior campaign, he was a unanimous selection to the All-Big Eight team and a second-team All-American, helping the Huskers rank first in the conference in rushing offense and total offense.

Shields became the second Nebraska offensive lineman

to play as a true freshman in 1989, appearing in nine games. In his second year, Shields became the first sophomore lineman since College Football Hall of Famer Dave Rimington to earn first-team all-conference honors for NU, helping the Huskers lead the Big Eight in scoring, rushing and total offense.

Following his collegiate career, Shields was selected by the Kansas City Chiefs in the third round of the 1993 NFL Draft. He spent 14 seasons as one of the most dominant offensive linemen in the NFL until retiring after the 2006 season. Shields earned a spot in 11 Pro Bowls and started more than 200 straight games in his brilliant professional career.

Shields was also one of the most active volunteers and community leaders in the NFL. He is the co-founder of the Will to Succeed Foundation with his wife, Senia. The foundation was organized to guide, inspire and improve the lives of abused and neglected women and children. For his remarkable work with charitable and community organizations, Shields was named the NFL Man of the Year in 2003.



## Rich Glover

Middle Guard | 1970-72 Jersey City, N.J.

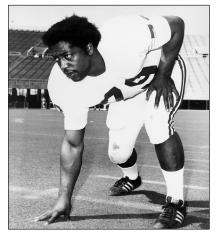
▶ 1972 Lombardi Award

One of the finest defensive players in Nebraska and college football history, Rich Glover anchored the Husker defense during the early 1970s, helping Nebraska capture back-to-back national titles in 1970 and 1971 under Coach Bob Devaney.

A 1995 inductee into the College Football Hall of Fame, Glover was a three-year letterwinner, who earned consensus All-America honors in 1971 and 1972 and finished third in Heisman Trophy voting in 1972. The 6-foot-1, 235-pound middle guard is one of only 10 players in college football history to win both the Lombardi Award, which is given to the nation's top interior lineman, and the Outland Trophy,

which is presented to the top lineman in the country, in the same season. He swept the awards in 1972, and his jersey (No. 79) was retired following the 1972 season.

As a senior, Glover earned Big Eight Defensive Player-of-the-Year honors, helping the Huskers to a 9-2-1 record and a 40-6 victory over Notre Dame in the Orange Bowl. He finished the season with 100 tackles, including 52 solos, and nine tackles for 41 yards lost, as the Huskers led the Big Eight in total defense and ranked in the top 10 nationally in total defense, scoring defense and pass defense.



A Jersey City, N.J., native, Glover played an instrumental part in the Huskers' 1971 national championship, earning All-Big Eight and All-America honors as Nebraska won its second straight national title with a 13-0 record. He is best remembered for his performance against Oklahoma in the "Game of the Century" when he made 22 stops in the Huskers' 35-31 victory over the second-ranked Sooners. In 1971, Glover led Nebraska with 92 tackles, including 46 solo stops, and 13 tackles for 73 yards lost. He saw limited action in 1970 as a sophomore, recording 19 tackles and three tackles for 13 yards lost.

Following his collegiate career, he was chosen in the third round (No. 69 overall) of the 1973 NFL Draft by the New York Giants. He played with the Giants for one season before joining the Shreveport Steamers of the World Football League in 1974. He finished his career with the Philadelphia Eagles in 1975 and 1976. Glover served on former Husker Tony Samuel's coaching staff at New Mexico through the 2004 season.

#### **Career Statistics**

Defense							
	(	Tackles	s)				
Year	UT	AT	TT	TFL	BK	PBU	PI
1970	5	14	19	3-13	0	3	0
1971	46	46	92	13-73	0	1	0
1972	52	48	100	9-41	0	2	0
Totals	103	108	211	25-127	0	6	0



### **Grant Wistrom**

Rush End | 1994-97 Webb City, Mo.

▶ 1997 Lombardi Award

One of the most feared defenders in school history, Grant Wistrom was the anchor of the Husker defense during one of the most successful eras in college football. During his career, the Huskers compiled a 49-2 record from 1994 to 1997, winning three national titles in that span (1994, 1995 and 1997), becoming only the second program in Division I history to win three national titles in a four-year period.

A two-time first-team All-American, Wistrom became Nebraska's fourth Lombardi Award winner as the nation's top lineman following the 1997 season. Wistrom, who holds the school record for tackles for loss with 58.5 for 260 yards and ranks second with 26.5 sacks, had his No. 98 retired during the 1998 season.

As a senior captain, the 6-5, 255-pound Wistrom finished with 51 tackles, including 8.5 sacks and 17 tackles for loss, leading the Blackshirts in both categories on his way to earning Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Year honors. A finalist for the Bronko Nagurski Defensive Player-of-the-Year award, Wistrom helped the Huskers rank fifth nationally in total defense and second nationally against the run. He led Nebraska to a perfect 13-0 record and a share of the national title with Michigan.

In 1996, Wistrom was named the Big 12 Defensive Player of the Year, helping NU to top-10 rankings in all four major defensive categories. A first-team All-American and finalist for the Nagurski Award, Wistrom finished third on the team in tackles with 75, while leading the Huskers in both sacks (9.5-48 yards lost) and tackles for loss (20-74).

A third-team All-American as a sophomore, Wistrom recorded 44 stops, including a team-leading 15 tackles for loss, as Nebraska went 12-0 and repeated as national champions. He also had four sacks, earning first-team All-Big Eight honors as NU ranked second nationally against the rush, fourth in points allowed and 13th in total defense. During his freshman campaign, Wistrom made his presence known, earning Big 12 Newcomer-of-the-Year honors in helping the Huskers to their first national title since 1971. He played in all 13 games, recording 36 stops and 4.5 sacks, as one of only two true Husker freshmen to see playing time.

Wistrom was a two-time first-team CoSIDA Academic All-American and became the 13th Husker to win the NCAA's highest honor, the NCAA Top Eight Award, in 1997. He also earned the National Football Foundation and College Football Hall of Fame Postgraduate Scholarship following his senior campaign and was the Big 12 Male Athlete of the Year for the 1997-98 season.

A first-round selection (No. 6 overall) by the St. Louis Rams in the 1998 NFL Draft, Wistrom played a reserve role as a rookie before earning a starting position in helping the Rams win the Super Bowl in 2000. He played six seasons in St. Louis from 1998 to 2003, before joining the Seattle Seahawks for the 2004, 2005 and 2006 campaigns. He led the Seahawks to Super Bowl XL, where he recorded a sack. He retired following the 2006 season. Wistrom was elected to the College Football Hall of Fame this spring and will be inducted in December of 2009.

### Career Statistics

Defense	е											
	(	T	ackle	es )		Fum.				QB	Int.	
Year	G/S	UT	ΑT	TT	TFL	Sacks	C-R	BK	PBU	PI	Hry.	Csd.
1994	12/0	14	22	36	6.5-55	4.5-49	0-0	0	0	0	11	0
1995	11/11	21	23	44	15-55	4-23	0-0	0	0	0	13	1
1996	12/12	30	45	75	20-74	9.5-48	1-0	2	0	1	15	4
1997	12/12	28	23	51	17-76	8.5-58	3-1	0	3	0	25	0
Totals	47/35	93	113	206	58.5-260	26.5-178	4-1	2	3	1	64	5