

College Football Hall of Fame



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Byron White (1952)

Byron "Whizzer" White was the first Colorado player inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 1952. Playing at Colorado in the 1930s, he led the nation and set NCAA records in rushing, scoring, total offense and all-purpose yards in 1937 when he finished second in the Heisman voting. His rushing and all-purpose yard records until 1988 when college football had added games. He was also a Rhodes Scholar, led the NFL in rushing two seasons, served in the Navy during World War II, graduated first from Yale Law in 1946 and served on the U.S. Supreme Court.

Joe Romig (1984)

A two-way player for the Buffs playing guard on offense and linebacker on defense, he was captain of the 1961 Big Eight Championship team and named the UPI Lineman of the Year. A three-time All-Conference and two-time All-American and also had a 3.9 GPA and was a Rhodes Scholar. He earned a Master's Degree in Physics at Oxford and returned to earn his doctor's degree.

Dick Anderson (1993)

Dick Anderson, local Boulder High product, could have played any position at Colorado, but stood out at safety and in three years, had 14 interceptions and 123 solo tackles, both records at the time. An All-American in 1967, he went on to anchor the "No Name" defense of the Mlami Dolphins in the 1970s and was an All-Pro three times and a member of the 17-0 season for the Dolphins.

Bobby Anderson (2006)

From nearby Boulder High School and younger brother of fellow Hall of Famer Dick Anderson, Bobby played quarterback as a sophomore, junior and first few games of his senior year before transitioning to running back. A consensus All-American in 1969, he closed out his career by rushing for 254 yards in CU's Liberty Bowl over Alabama.

Alfred Williams (2010)

Alfred Williams, the 1990 Butkus Trophy Winner as the nation's top linebacker, was the anchor of CU's defense from 1987-90 which culminated in the program's first National Championship in 1990. A unanimous first-team All-American, he led CU to two Orange Bowl appearances and Blg Eight Championships. He is CU's all-time leader with 35 career sacks. He had a nine-year NFL career that included back-to-back Super Bowl wins with Denver in 1997-98 and an All-Pro season in 1996.

John Wooten (2012)

One of the first African American players to earn All-America honors as a lineman, John Wooten was an All-American his senior season in 1958 and anchored the line from 1956-58 when Colorado boasted one of the best rushing attacks in college football. The 1957 CU team led the nation in rushing (322.4) and was second in total offense (415.2). He helped CU to a 20-9-2 record and 27-21 win over Clemson in the 1957 Orange Bowl. He had a 10-year NFL career and was a two-time All-Pro player.

Bill McCartney (2013)

"Coach Mac" was the head coach from 1982-94, one of the most prolific times in the history of Colorado Football. He helped the team to three conference championships and the 1990 National Championships, six straight top 20 finishes. The 1989 National Coach of the Year, in 13 seasons, he led CU to nine bowl games, three Blg Eight Championships along with the national championships. His 1988-92 teams went 25 games (23-0-2) without losing a game in Big Eight play.

Herb Orvis (2016)

A first-team All-American as a senior in 1971, when the Buffs finsihed No. 3 in the nation, Herb Orvis was a nightmare for opposing offenses. He helped the Buffs to three bowl victories and was a consensus All-American in 1971 and he was instrumental in CU's 1970 win over Penn State, ending a 23-game win and 31-game unbeaten streak for the Nittany Lions, earning national palyer of the week honors. He finished his career as CU's all-time leader with 20 sacks and second with 32 tackles for loss. He had a 10-year NFL career with the Detroit Lions and Baltimore Colts.

Michael Westbrook (2020)

The recipient of the MIracle at Michigan, Michael Westbrook was a consensus first-team All-American in 1994 and took home the Paul Warfield Trophy as the nation's top wide receiver. He finished his career as CU's all-time leading receiver with 167 receptions adn 2,548 yards, and helped the 1994 team his senior year to an 11-1 record and No. 3 final ranking, including CU's Miracle finish at Michigan by catching Kordell Stewart's 42-yard bomb as time expired to win 27-26.

Rashaan Salaam (2022)

Rashaan Salaam was just the fourth player in NCAA history to rush for 2,000 yarsd in a season when he did so in 1994, becoming the consensus National Player of the Year and taking home the progam's first Heisman Trophy. He was the 1994 Big Eight Offensive Player of the Year and led the nation in rushing (2,055), scoring (144) and all-purpose yards (2,349) while missing the fourth quarter in five games due to the Buffs dominance in it's 11-1 season and final No. 3 ranking.

Deion Figures (2024)

Deon Figures was inducuted into the Hall in 2024. A lockdown corner and Jim Thorpe winner in 1992, he helped Colorado win three conference titles and the 1990 national championship, during which he had the game-securing interception to end the game. He also won the Jack Tatum Award as the nation's top cornerback and finished his career with 13 interceptions and 27 pass breakups.