

Truman Football Honors/Awards

1996 HARLON HILL

Jarrett Anderson made college football history when he completed an illustrious four-year career at Truman and became the first Bulldog to win the NCAA Division II Player of the Year award, the Harlon Hill Trophy.

The award was presented to Anderson on Dec. 13, 1996, in Florence, Ala. Anderson received 42 first-place votes from NCAA Division II football sports information directors and had a grand total of 207 points, just two shy of setting the Harlon Hill record at that time for most points. His name did appear on 92 of the 105 ballots cast which was a new record for the award at that time.

Anderson finished his career with a Truman and Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association record of 6,166 yards rushing, shattering former Bulldog Dale "Paley" Mills' (1957-60) 36-year-old record of 4,502. It also made him the third all-time rusher in NCAA history at any level, passing former Heisman winners Tony Dorsett, Herschel Walker and Archie Griffin.

During his senior campaign, Anderson was unanimously voted MIAA Offensive MVP. He rushed for 2,140 yards in '96, setting the NCAA Division II mark for yards in a season that year, the sixth-highest single season total among all divisions at that time.

Anderson broke or tied five NCAA Division II records his final season. In addition to the season rushing record, he set records in season yards per game with 194.5 and career touchdowns at 73, and he tied the marks for 1,000-yard seasons with four and 200-yard games in a season with five in 1996.

Ten MIAA records and 17 Truman standards were re-written before Anderson, who had never been redshirted, took off the Purple

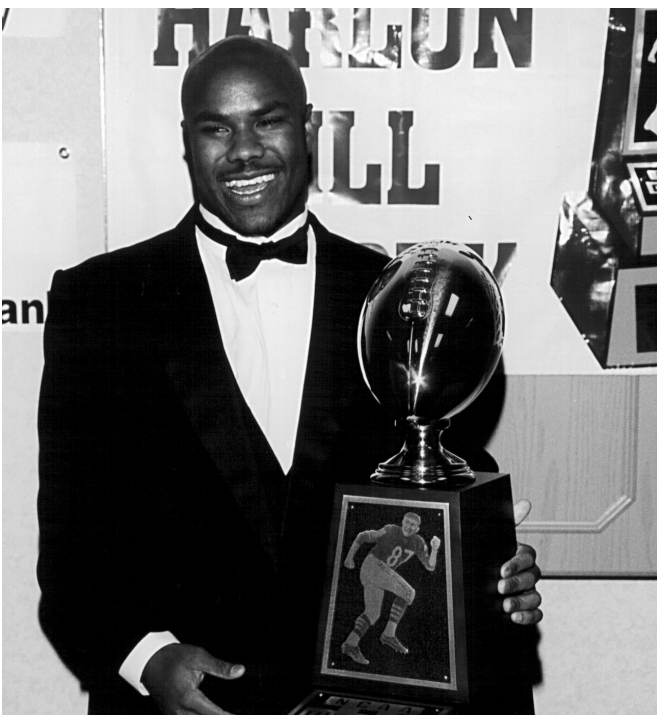
and White for the last time. Besides those that were also NCAA marks, others included single-season touchdowns (28), single-season rushing touchdowns (27), career scoring (440), single-season scoring (168), career rushing attempts (979) and 100-yard games in a career (20 out of 43). He tied the mark for touchdowns in a game in the MIAA (6), but it stands as a Truman record.

Anderson gained 306 yards against Emporia State, tying Mills' single-game record at Truman, but ESU's Brian Shay gained 360 yards in a game earlier in the 1996 season for the league record. Shay led the nation in rushing for several weeks after that, but Anderson claimed the honor with two weeks remaining to lead the nation in rushing and scoring for the year.

Shay broke many of Anderson's NCAA and MIAA records before he finished his career in 1997. A complete account of Anderson's current NCAA records is on page 48.

"A player like Jarrett only comes along once every 50 years or so," his head coach John Ware said. "I feel honored to have been his coach."

Anderson, who never missed a game in four years, began in 1993 when he rushed for 1,096 and was named MIAA freshman of the year. He was MIAA Offensive MVP two consecutive



years in 1995 and 1996, and a finalist for the Hill Trophy in 1994.

During the 2000 season, Anderson had his No. 3 retired at Truman, and he was named to the Truman all-Century football team.

	G	Rush	Net	Y/R	Y/G	TDs	Rec.	Yds	Y/R	Y/G	TDs	2PTC	Pts
1993	11	167	1,096	6.5	99.6	12	21	197	9.4	17.9	1	0	78
1994	10	259	1,428	5.5	142.8	14	14	143	10.2	14.3	2	0	96
1995	11	232	1,502	6.5	136.6	16	16	126	7.9	11.5	0	1	98
1996	11	321	2,140	6.7	194.5	27	13	167	12.8	15.2	1	0	168
Career	43	979	6,166	6.3	143.4	69	63	633	10.0	14.7	4	1	440

Retired Numbers

The No. 3 was worn by the 1996 NCAA Division II player of the year, Jarrett Anderson, from 1994-96. Anderson's number was retired by the team during half-time of the homecoming game with Missouri Southern on Oct. 21, 2000. He led the nation in rushing and scoring in 1996, setting countless MIAA, Truman and NCAA records by the end of his career. Anderson was named to the Truman All-Century Football team in 2000 after winning the Harlon Hill trophy, presented annually to the DII player of the year. See page 45 for a complete story on Anderson.

Jersey No. 31, worn by running back Dale "Paley" Mills from 1957-60, was retired in 1977. Mills, who at one time held 10 college division records, garnered all-America status four times in his career. He collected first-team accolades twice in 1960, once in 1959, and was an honorable mention pick in 1958. Mills entered the Truman Athletics Hall of Fame in 1984. Until Jarrett Anderson's record-breaking spree in '96, Mills held nine Bulldog records, including career rushing yards (4,502) and career scoring (407). See page 54 for a detailed story on Mills' accomplishments.

Jersey No. 32, worn by Derringer Cade in his last season of a three-year career (1988-90) as a Bulldog outside linebacker, was retired in 1990. Cade died from a rare heart disease after collapsing on the sidelines late in a game at Southwest Baptist during his junior year. According to his coaches, Cade played the best game of his career that day. He was credited with eight total tackles, including two-and-a-half quarterback sacks and another tackle for a loss. The Derringer Cade Inspirational Award was instituted by the coaches following his death. See page 58 for a list of the award winners.

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