

Matthew Klimow

Year of Induction: 2008

Year of Graduation: 1970

Former superintendent Larry Rowe wrote of Colonel Klimow, "Matt epitomizes the Wildcat tradition of hard work, perseverance, commitment, and a duty to excellence. His achievements while attending Johnson City and beyond are a great example for our young Wildcats." Colonel Klimow earned 7 varsity letters during his time at JCHS...4 in track and field, 2 in football, and 1 in basketball. He was an all STAC selection in track in both 1969 and 1970 as well as a section IV champion in 1970. He set the school and STAC record in the 880 yard run with a time of 1 minute 54 seconds. He went to be captain of the West Point marathon team in 1974, and he was a top 200 finisher in the Boston Marathon in 1974 with a time of 2 hours, 49 minutes. Colonel Klimow's achievements as a runner and an athlete are impressive; however, his career devoted to serving this country is remarkable.

For his athletic achievements as a student athlete in Johnson City and at West Point; for his service to his country; and for the example that he has set for a generation of Wildcats to learn from, the Johnson City Athletic Hall of Fame is proud to welcome Colonel Matthew Klimow, JCHS class of 1970.