

On right side of statue:

COLLEGE

West Virginia State College
All-Conference CIAA 1947-48, 1948-49, 1949-50
All-American (named by Pittsburg Courier) 1948-49, 1949-50
Led team to 2 CIAA Championships 1947-48, 1948-49
Inducted into the WVSU Sports Hall of Fame in 1980
All-Time CIAA All-Tournament team
CIAA Hall of Fame in 1998
CIAA Silver Anniversary Team
One of the CIAA's 50 Greatest Players
CIAA Player of the Decade 1947-1956
NAIA Golden & Silver Anniversary Team

PROFESSIONAL

Washington Capitols 1950
Syracuse Nationals 1952-58
Detroit Pistons 1958-60

Became the first African-American to play in an NBA game with the Washington Capitols on
October 31, 1950

Became the first African-American to win an NBA Championship with the Syracuse Nationals
in 1955

Became the first African-American Assistant Coach in the NBA with the Detroit Pistons in 1968

Became the second African-American Head Coach & the first bench coach in the NBA with the
Detroit Pistons in 1971

Basketball Hall of Fame
Springfield, Mass.

Class of 2003