

## John Wesley Smith



John Wesley Smith was inducted into the Hawk Hall of Fame in 1984. John came to Maryland State College from Bates High School in Annapolis Maryland in 1962.

He was a four year participant in football and played on some of MSC's most outstanding teams. During his time at MSC, John's defensive prowess helped the Hawks to an overall record of 19 wins, 8 losses and 1, which represents a winning percentage of 67.9 percent.

John was a key member of some outstanding defensive teams. During his tenure, MSC limited their opponents to 9 points a game. John was drafted by the Detroit Lions in 1965.

Today, John is the President and Owner of John Wesley Insurance Agency in Arnold Maryland. He has been a very active alumnus, having served as: president, secretary, and treasurer of the UMES Alumni Association. In addition, he serves on the board Anne Arundel Association, Annapolis area Boys and Girls Club, and the Allstate Regional Foundation. He is a member of the Insurance and Financial Advisors Association, Baltimore Maryland Life Underwriters Association and Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity.

During his professional career John has received numerous awards including: Annapolis Boys and Girls Club Member of the Year; Allstate National Conference Award (a 10 time recipient); Allstate Honor Ring Award (a 16 time recipient); Equitable Life Assurance Award (1980); Equitable Regional Agency of the Year Award (a 8 time recipient); and Who's Who in Black Business.

John has been married for 37 years to Bernell Smith and has two children Marcus and Terry and five grandchildren. John received a Bachelor of Science degree from Maryland State College in 1965.