

# ***2022 FISD Wall of Honor Inductees***

*Following is the information on the two 2022 inductees for the FISD Wall of Honor as supplied in connection to their selection.*

## **CARL HOUSE**

2022 Frankston ISD Wall of Honor Inductee Carl House was a 1979 graduate of Frankston High School, born on April 24, 1961 to the late Larry Joe and Bobbie (Clakley) House. He was very involved in school, church and community activities throughout his life, as well as his chosen vocations. His vocational skills were put to work in helping innumerable of his many friends and acquaintances.



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Mr. House served on the Frankston Volunteer Fire Department as Fire Marshal for 15 years and as Fire Chief for 10 years. He was then elected to the Frankston Board of Trustees, on which he served as secretary for 16 years, including serving on the board of the Anderson County Appraisal District as secretary. While serving on the school board, he was one of the main proponents for expansion of the vocational agriculture department. He also served as secretary-treasurer of the Frankston United Methodist Men's group, as well as chairman of the UMC Finance Committee and he cared for church property.

He was involved in innumerable activities involving the community's children and youth. He was a Little League coach and assisted with Little Dribblers and Youth Football. He actively supported the children and youth programs at his church, often hosting events at his home. He and

and wife, Crystal, taught junior and senior high school Sunday School classes. When it came to community activities, he was always willing to give a helping hand.

In his school days, he played baseball, football, showed cattle, played in the band and later helped with the FFA when his sons showed cattle.

In his vocation, Mr. House worked as an oil field welder, construction worker, heavy machinery operator, mechanic, and foreman of the Anderson County Precinct 3 Road and Bridge Crew. In retirement, he helped repair water leaks for Frankston Rural Water Corp. while continuing to cut hay.

Mr. House passed away on Sept. 5, 2021 and will be missed by family and the many friends whose lives he touched.

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## **ROBERT LOPER**

2022 Frankston ISD Wall of Honor Inductee Robert Loper was a Texas History teacher and head basketball coach at Frankston Schools for 28 years, retiring in 2016 after a career which spanned 41 years and not only earned him the respect of hundreds of basketball players and fans but the honor of being inducted into the Texas Assn. of Basketball Coaches (TABC) Hall of Fame.

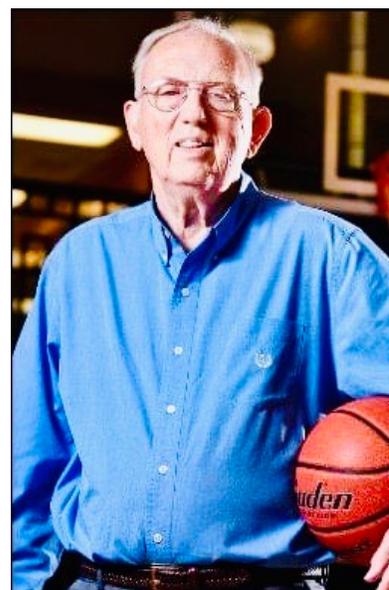
His record is impressive, having been chosen district coach of the year for multiple years, East Texas Coach of the Year three times and coach of the TABC All-Star game. While head boys basketball coach at Frankston he recorded 610 wins of his 867 career victories. His teams had 22 playoff appearances, including a memorable appearance in the UIL State Basketball Championship game in which the Indians lost by one point in the final three seconds of the game. One of his teams was Regional Champion, two were Regional finalists, four were Regional Semifinalists, 10 were Regional Quarterfinalists, eight were Area Champions and 13 were Bi-District Champions. His teams won District Championships 15 times.

Coach Loper also coached Cross Country for 15 years, golf for 10 years and also softball and girls basketball. He also served as assistant baseball coach for Sonny Perry, whose baseball team was to be a state finalist. In Cross Country, Coach Loper tutored 14 Regional Qualifiers and two state qualifiers.

The veteran Frankston coach's advice to his players was "overcome adversity, never give up, remember the losses and rejoice in the victories". He urged his players to "just get better" and they often responded.

As impressive as his record as a coach, his knowledge of Texas History was extensive and he left his students in the classroom with some of that knowledge and many with his enthusiasm for the subject.

Coach Loper not only left his players better equipped to be better adults, but he inspired many of his classroom students with something to remember that will give them lessons of history which may help avoid pitfalls in the future.



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