

Eller Descendants Honored in Towns County, Georgia

Dion Eller (left) and Jerry Kendall (right), both 1963 graduates of Towns County High School were honored at halftime during a basketball game at Towns County High School on December 28th, 2023. They were recognized for seven decades of service to Towns County Student Athletes. Both of these gentlemen are Eller Descendants from the John Jacob Eller, Sr. line.



Coach Eller became the head coach of the Towns County Lady Indians Basketball Team in 1969. His teams compiled a 272-216 record during a period of just over nineteen years at the helm with six sub-region championships and four state tournament appearances. His teams won on opening night of sub-region tournament for eighteen straight years from 1970 through 1987 and qualified for the sub-region tournament finals for an incredible fifteen years in a row from 1972 through 1986. Dion now lives on the family farm east of Hiawassee and serves as a Gideon in the Northeast Georgia Area.

Jerry Kendall was honored for his many years of service as a Historian, as a Coach, a Media Reporter, as an Official Scorekeeper, and as a Friend on behalf of the Student-Athletes, Coaches and Administration of Towns County

High School. He was a three-year starter on his high school baseball team. Jerry wrote his first sports article and coached his first youth team before graduating high school. He also collected and maintained



many years of Town County High School individual and team statistics. You could find Jerry umpiring baseball games during the summers between 1962 and 1977. Jerry lives in Young Harris, Georgia with his wife Glynda and attends Woods Grove Baptist Church.

Thank you, Dion and Jerry, for your many years of service. Your dedication and passion sure make this Eller Descendant proud.

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