

Mr. & Miss DHS

ZANE HICKEY & TORI CHAPA



Q1. What was the most memorable thing about your years in high school?

Z: My most memorable moment of high school would have to be playing in the State Semi-Finals because no other team in the past 30 years has made it that far.

T: The most memorable thing about my high school years would have to be participating in extracurricular activities with my friends.

Q2. What are you looking forward to most about graduating?

Z: I look forward to going to college and playing college football.

T: I look forward to being able to start my own life.

Q3. What is the funniest thing you remember about your high school years?

Z: When I was a freshman and my upper-class teammates bought me baby dolls for my birthday.

T: The funniest thing I remember about my high school years is when I fell going up the stairs and hit the wall.

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Q4. What are you going to miss most about DHS?

Z: I am going to miss seeing my friends in the halls and playing in Eagle Stadium.

T: What I'm going to miss most about DHS is hanging out and seeing my friends everyday.

Q5. Where do you plan to go to college? What are you going to study?

Z: I plan to attend McPherson College in McPherson, Kansas and get a degree in Business Management.

T: I plan to attend Cosmetology School in Wichita Falls.

Q6. What is some advice you would give to upcoming seniors?

Z: To me, the best advice you could get is to enjoy high school and above everything else just have fun.

T: Some advice I would give to upcoming seniors would be to not grow up too fast and live in the moment.

FORMER EDUCATOR PASSES AWAY

Community leader leaves a lasting impression on district

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A respected and treasured figure in the community passed away on October 1. Honorably discharged soldier, retired administrator, coach, teacher, church-goer and of course, husband, father, friend and leader, all terms that fittingly describe J.E. Carson.

He made notable contributions, and put utter and profound faith in the school district during its small, yet formative state, several years ago. The loss of Carson certainly struck a cord with citizens all across Wise County, and the community responded in numerous ways, showing their appreciation for him.

His church, First United Methodist Church, hosted his funeral on October 4.

The Big Blue Marching Band and Varsity Choir both performed at the service. Senior Marcus Peña performed Taps in his honor as well. His family, along with the rest of the community, wanted to ensure that all of the programs that he dedicated his time and energy to were well represented in his memorial service.

The funeral certainly honored his memory, and all of those that attended left the venue with smiles on their faces and tear tracks on their cheeks as they reflected on their experiences and memories with Carson from the years he dedicated to the community.

“He had a gift of being able to stop

something bad before it happened,” DHS teacher Terry Stewart said as he recounts a story from a friend of his regarding their experience with Carson.



J.E. and Betty Carson
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J.E. Carson's funeral program
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they were always together,” Young Elementary teacher Alea Peña said. “He cared dearly for her [Betty], his family and his chosen family.”

“When he was a principal at the middle school, he had [my friend] come to his office and do a lot of Xeroxing, he always wondered why he was singled out. Several years later, Mr. Carson told him that he wanted to save you a lot of trouble from other kids.”

As a prominent leader in the community, many citizens listened attentively to what he said, whether it be a story or matter of simple discussion.

“I don't really have a story like my friend, I only ever met him a few times,” Stewart said. “He was always very cordial, sophisticated and didn't offer a lot of information, but when he spoke, he always drew you in. He was magnetic like that.”

Having experience as a principal and teacher, as well as being able to draw people in came from his many years of experience. Carson knew how to resonate with people, no doubt in part to his strong faith and morals.

“I just knew him from church, and he was always very faithful. Church meant something to them [Carson, and his wife, Betty], and