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The Sounds and Signs of Melrose

The Golden Wildcat

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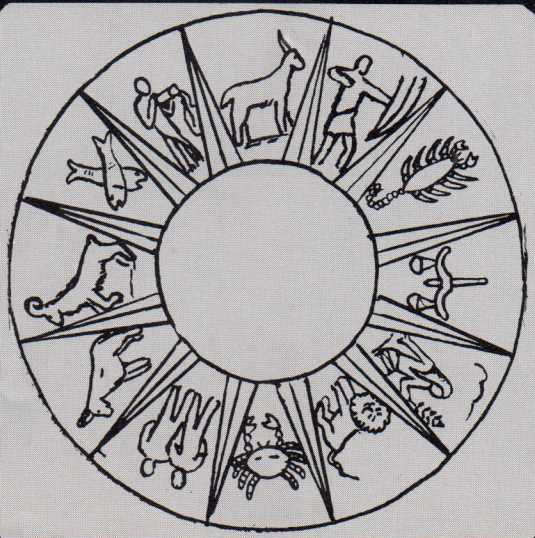
High
School

Memphis
Tennessee
1975-76



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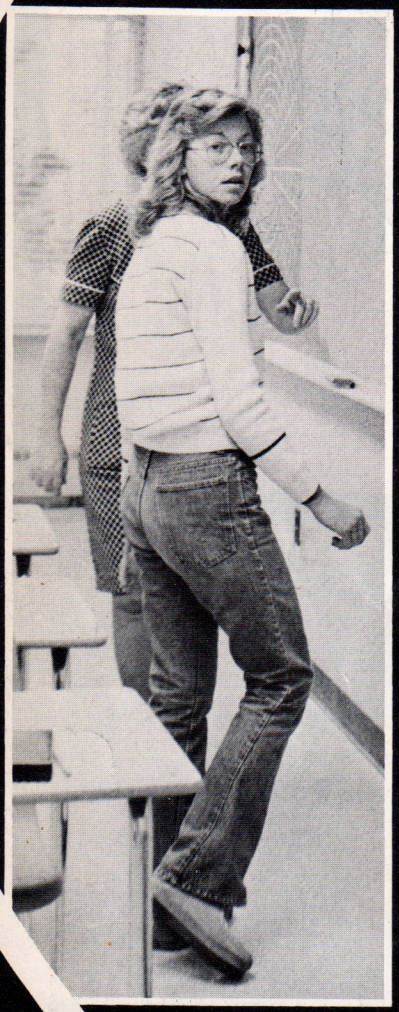



















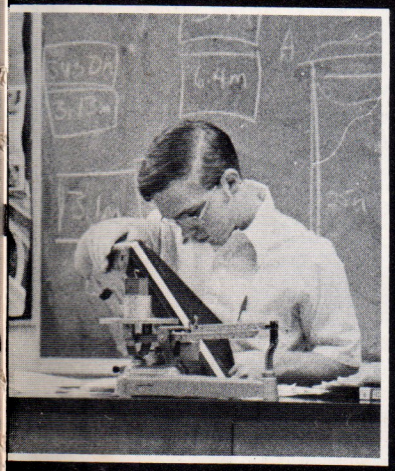

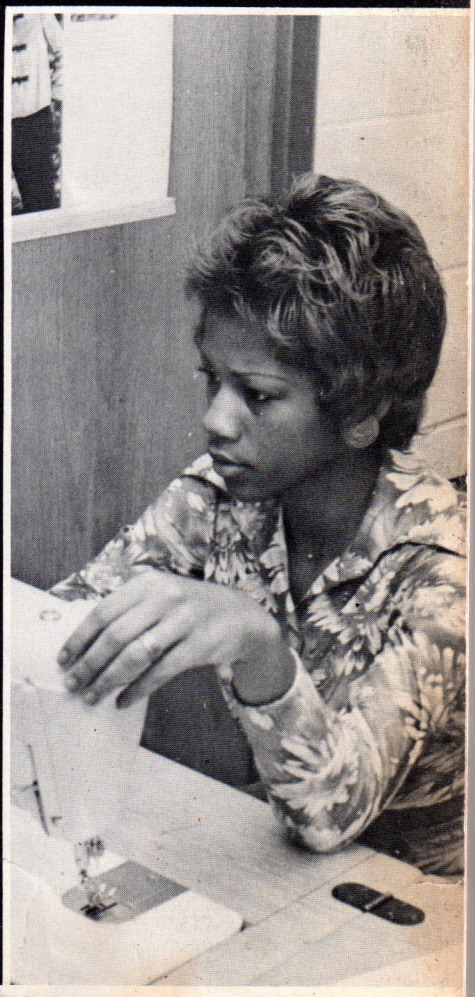



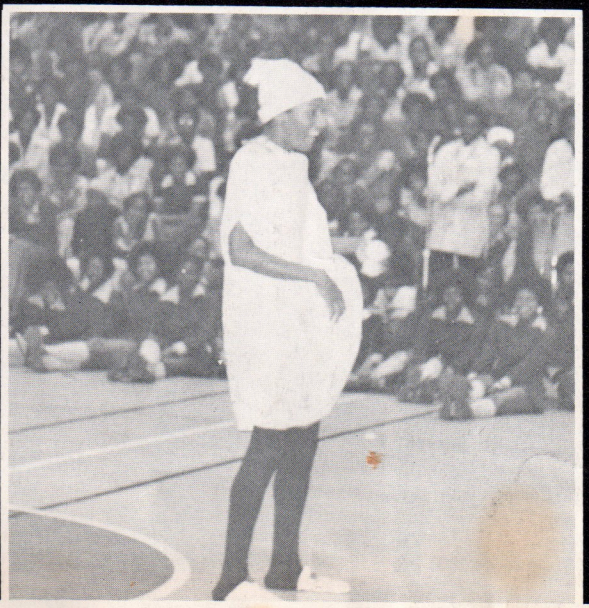

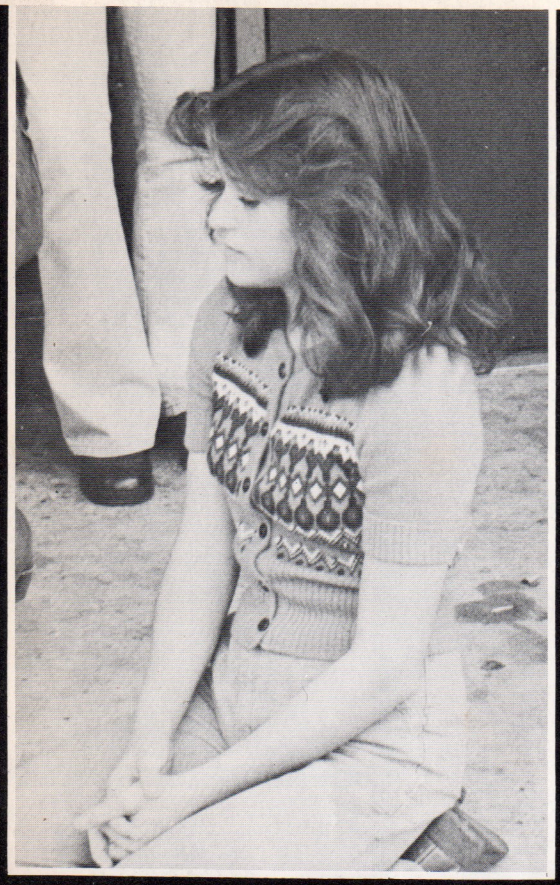



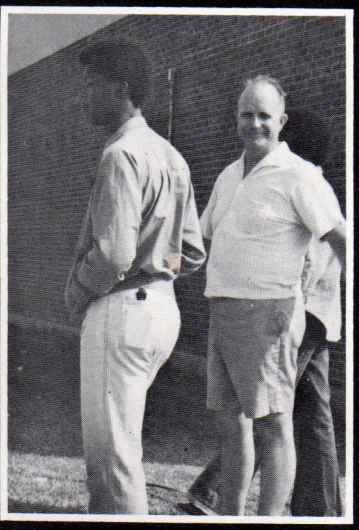



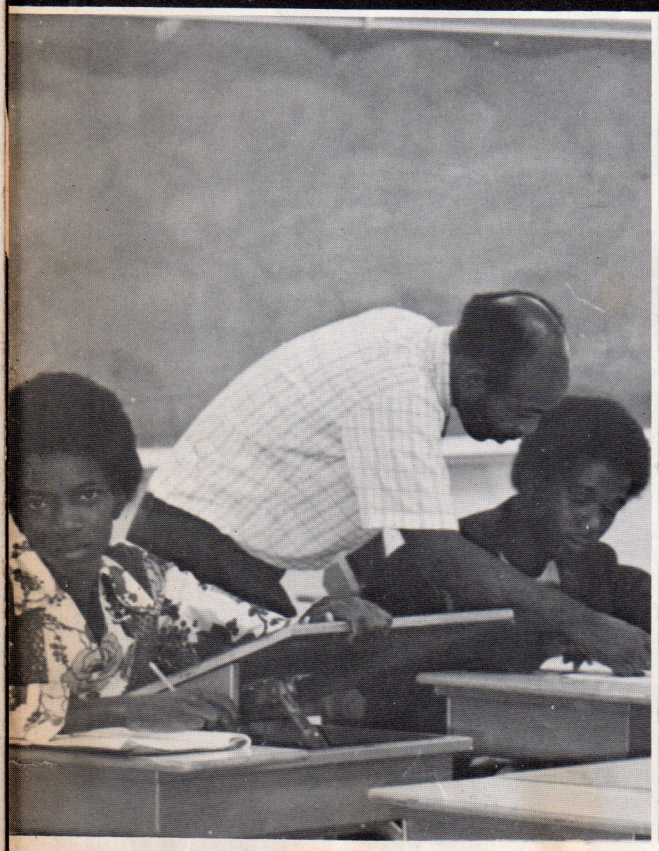

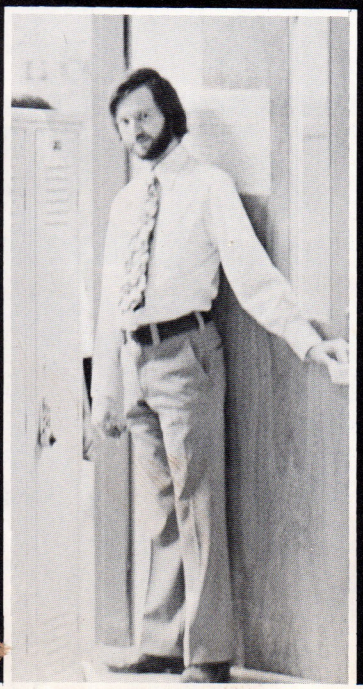





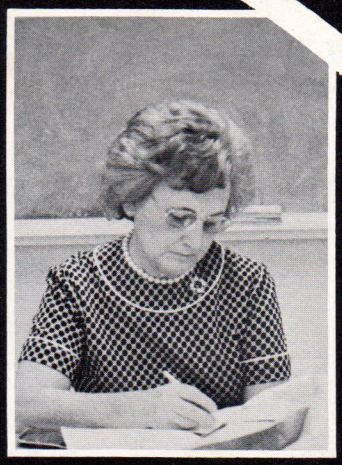







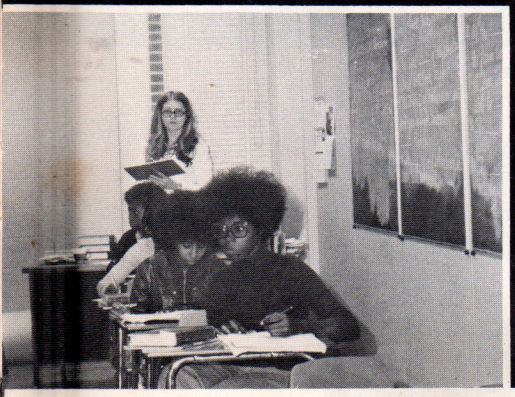



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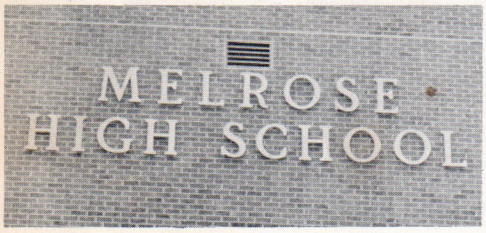

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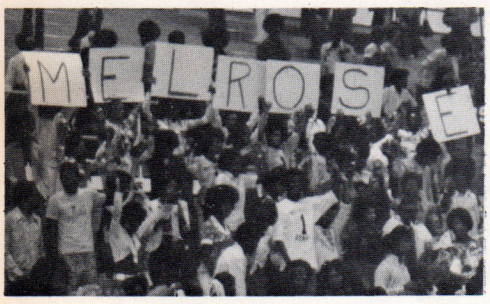

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Loving
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Mrs. Echols, we the Senior Class of 1976, lovingly and gratefully dedicate our yearbook to you. May God forever bless you as you have blessed us.

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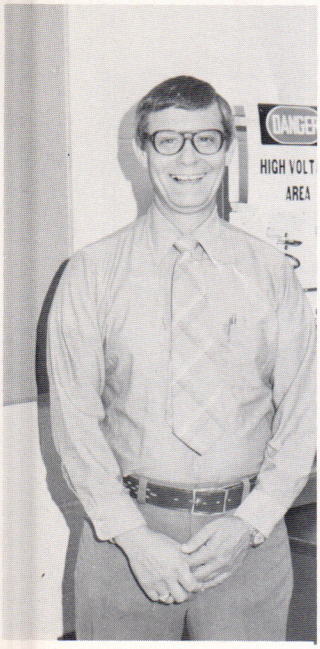
What You Become Is Your Gift To God"



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Electronics

Pisces

"Let the Rest of the World Go By"



E. Barton

American History

Libra



B. Bolton

C.O.E.
Shorthand II

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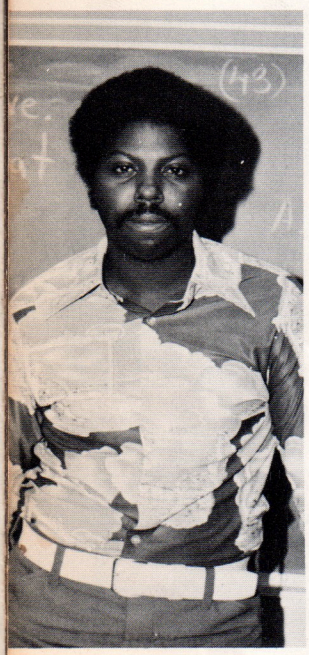
"Smoke on the Water"

"Man's Greatest Enemy Is His Ignorance"



J. Brown

Re.. rces

Aries

"Everything Must Change"



B. Burton

English

Scorpio



D. Cooper

Distributive Education

Gemini

"My Eyes Adore You"



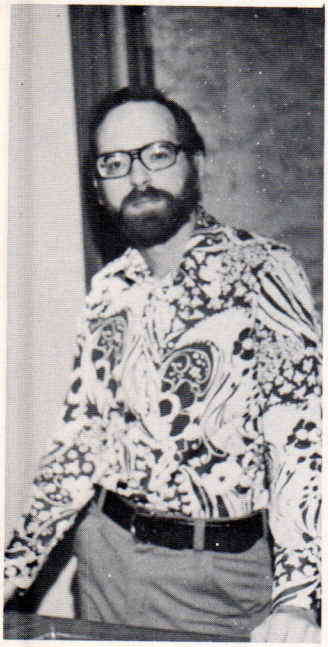
R. Crawford

Art

Saggitarius

"People"

"Lord, help me to keep so busy keeping myself straight, that I will not have the time to criticize others"



W. Cupo

Multi Media

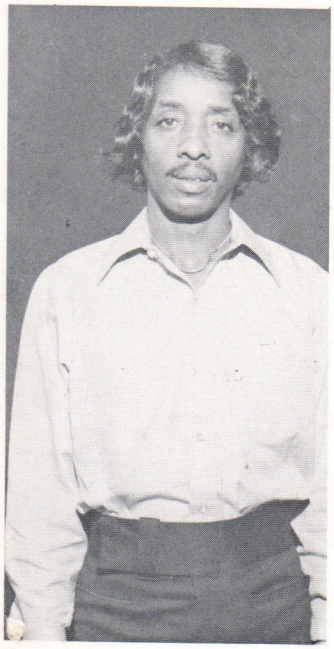
Leo

"Nights In White Satin"



J. K. Davis

Horticulture



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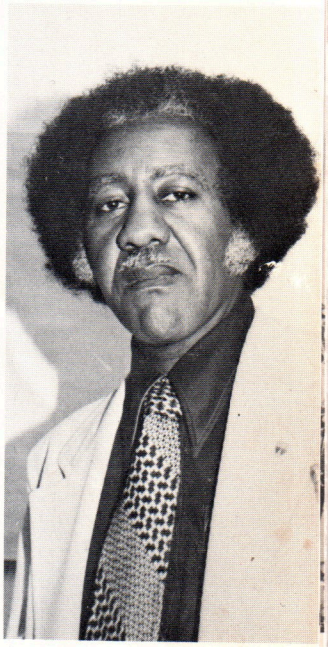
Pre-Vocation

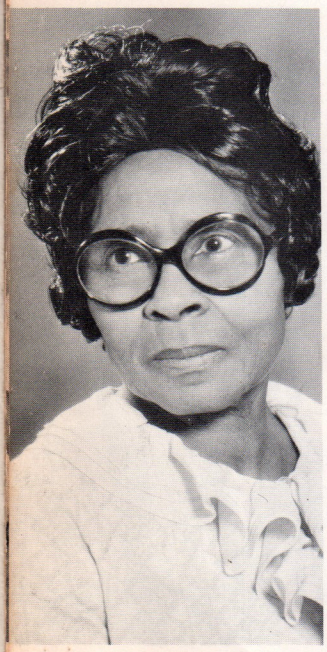


G. Dowdy

Art

Aquarius

"We should all strive not to equal, but to excel"



M. V. Echols

English

Capricorn

Classical Music



M. Evans

Vocal Music

Taurus

"Jesus Is All the World to Me"



M. Galloway

Typing
Shorthand

Gemini

"Hope That We'll Be Together Soon"



E. Garrett

Biology

"There is a little bad in the best of us; and a little good in the worst of us; so it doesn't behoove any of us, to talk about the rest of us"



G. Gholston

Speech
English

Pisces

"Money"



L. Golden

Latin

Aquarius

"God Bless America"



N. Gray

Mathematics

Taurus

"Moon River"



L. Hanna

Spanish

Saggitarius

"Hacer es Poder"

"To thine own self be true"



P. Hart

Child Development
Textiles
Bachelor Living

Leo

"Laura's Theme"



J. Harris

Chemistry
Physics

Taurus

"The Way We Were"



C. Haynes

American Hist.

Aries

"The Sting"



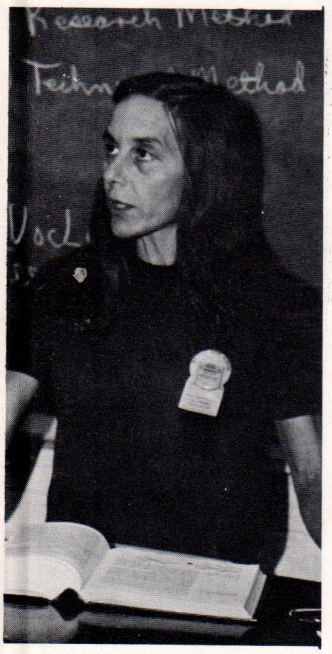
W. Hill

Consumer Math.

Leo

"Love Rollercoaster"

"Be careful what you wish for because you might get it!"



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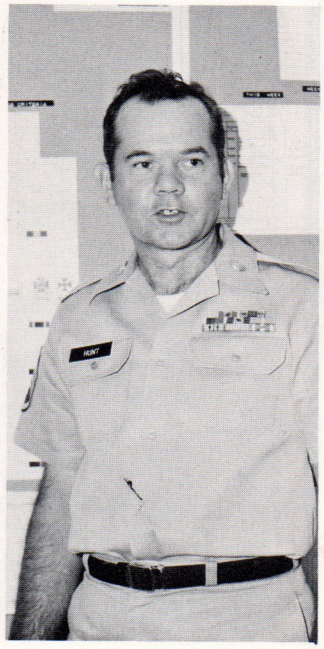
Biology

Scorpio

"Something"



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ROTC

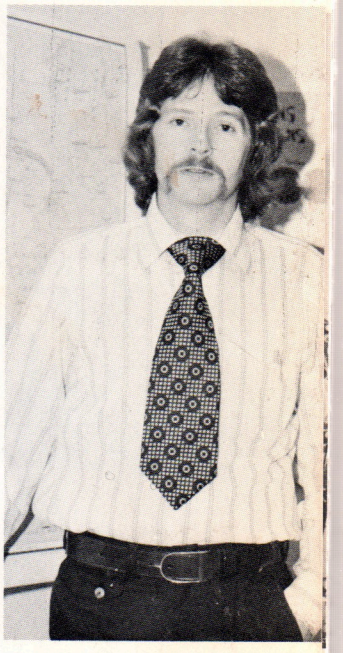


C. Jackson

Child Service

Pisces

"God Will Take Care of You"



R. Jenkins

American Hist.

Virgo

"Neither One of Us Can Say Good-bye"

"Beauty is only skin deep, but ugly is to the soul.
When beauty is gone, ugly lingers on."



B. Johnson

World History



A. Lard

Advanced Typing
V.O.E.

"More"



F. Lawshe

English

Taurus

"Respect Yourself"



J. Lewis

Food Service

Aries

"If Everybody
Was Like Jesus'

"No one can keep me from my destiny"



M. Luss

Cosmetology

Aries



R. McLemore

Band

Scorpio

"Round About Midnight"



J. McTyier

French

"American Band"

Capricorn



H. Medlock

ROTC

Aries

"Oklahoma"

"What you do, speaks so loud, I can't hear what you say"



L. Millwood

Advanced Typing
V.O.E.

Virgo

"Keep Me From
Blowing Away"



H. Moore

Cosmetology

Aries

"Since I Fell For You"



A. Norris

English

Aquarius

"Killing Me Softly"



R. Patterson

Head Football
Coach
Boys P.E.

Scorpio

"Soul Music"

"A job worth doing is worth doing right"



E. Powell

English

Taurus

"Just As I Am"



D. Presley

English

Virgo

"Beethoven's Fifth Symphony"



B. Riggins

Clothing Service

Saggitarius

"Love Story"



M. Roberts

American Hist.

Saggitarius

"Living"

"There is no shame in failing at a task--The shame comes from never trying. A fool says I can't, a wise man says, I WILL"

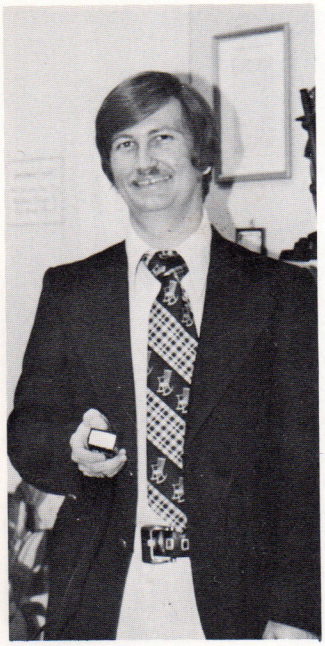


E. Schwaiger

Bookkeeping
Economics

Scorpio

"Star Dust"



W. Shepard

English

Scorpio

"Cabaret"



D. Sims II

Head Basketball Coach

Cancer

"Mr. Magic"



E. Smith

Typing
Shorthand

Cancer

"Shaft"

"He who reads little knows little"



M. Sterenchak

Auto Electronics

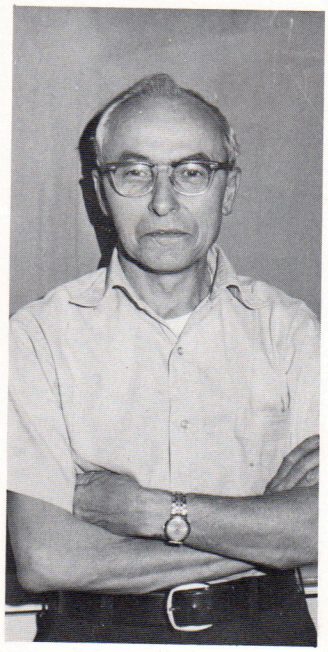


R. Snipes

Auto Body

Aquarius

"How Great Thou Art"



G. Spencer

Auto Mechanics

Gemini



L. Sullivan

English

Virgo

"The Impossible Dream"

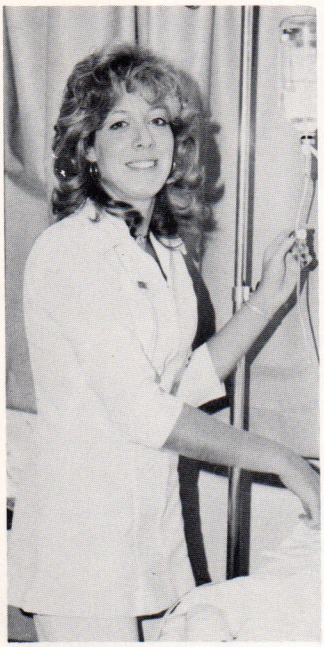
"A strong mind and a caring heart give us all the capability to be the best that we can"



J. Thomas

Physical Education
Dancing

"Let the Good Times Roll"



B. Thomson

Health Occupation

Virgo

"Rocky Mountain High"



P. Tracey

Foods
Bachelor Living
Interior Design

Aquarius

"Clair de lune"



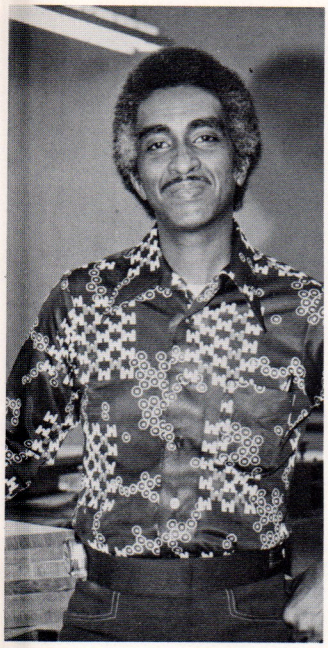
D. White

Mathematics

Taurus

"The Way We Were"

"If a child lives with encouragement, he learns confidence"

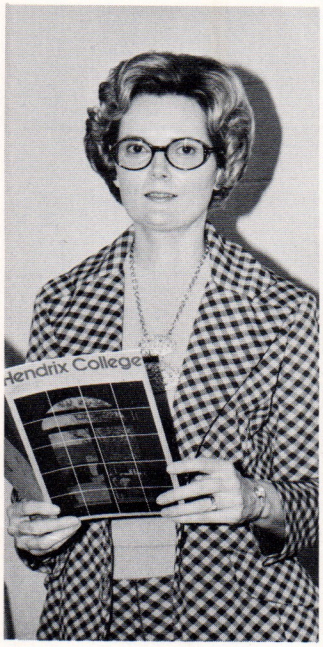


C. Young

Cabinet & Fixtures

Libra

"Love Unlimited"



S. Calloway

Guidance

Cancer

"Laura's Theme"



L. G. Smith

Guidance

Aquarius

"West Side Story"



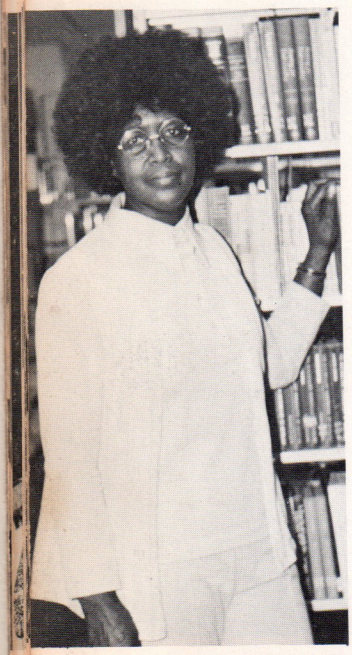
R. C. Strong

Guidance

Virgo

"The First Time Ever I Saw Your Face"

"Hitch your wagon to a star, but keep your feet on the ground"



V. Flowers

Librarian

Capricorn

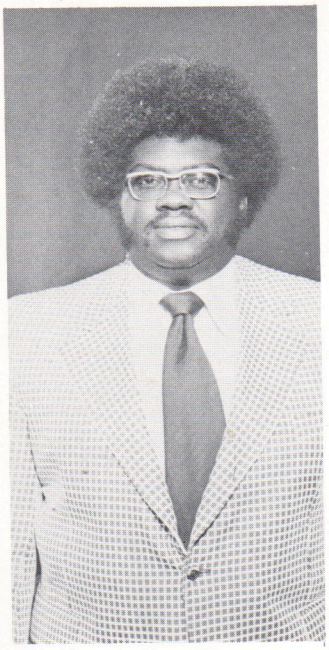
"All Things Are Possible"



M. L. Nazor

Librarian

Taurus



K. Harris

SPAN

Leo

"If I could Reach You"



G. Williams

Vocational Specialist

Pisces

"Games People Play"

"Try to surpass the success you were yesterday,
then reaching the top is only a matter of time"



T. Jackson

Office Sec.



A. Jones

Library Sec.



J. Poe

Guidance Sec.



J. Powell

Office Sec.







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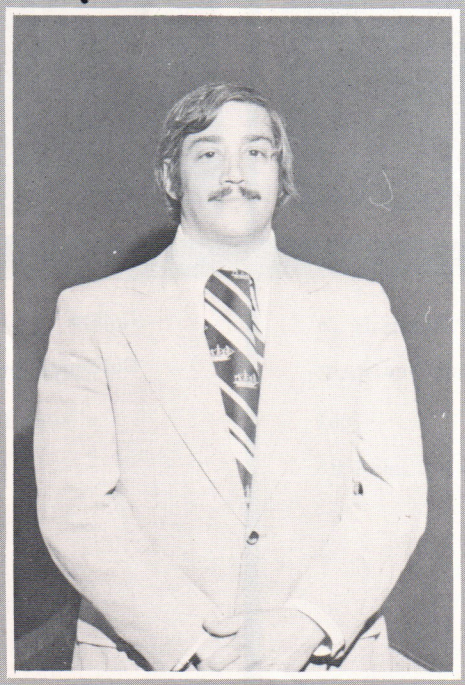


Don Tillilie

Acting Asst. Principal



Louis V. Tate

Administrative Aide



PHEW!!!



". . . Oh, Melrose Dear"

"SCHOOL LIFE"



. . . and the tension mounts . . .



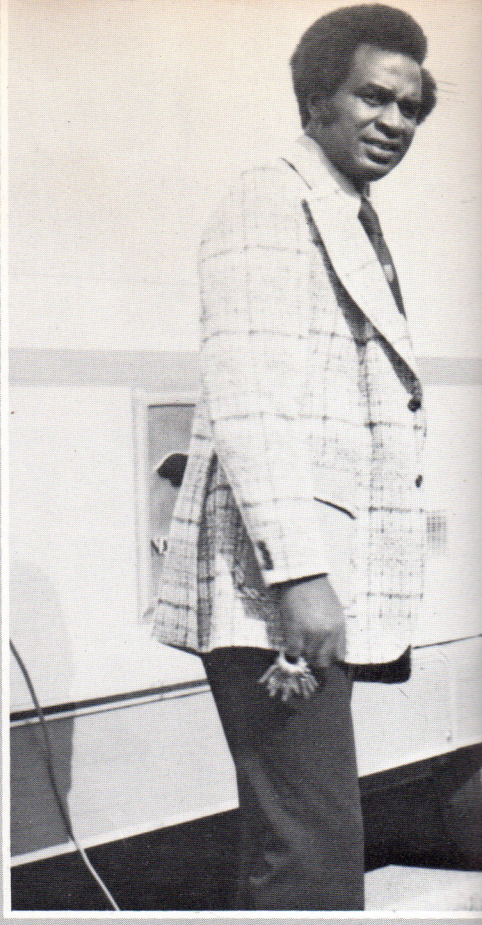
. . . it's to benefit you"



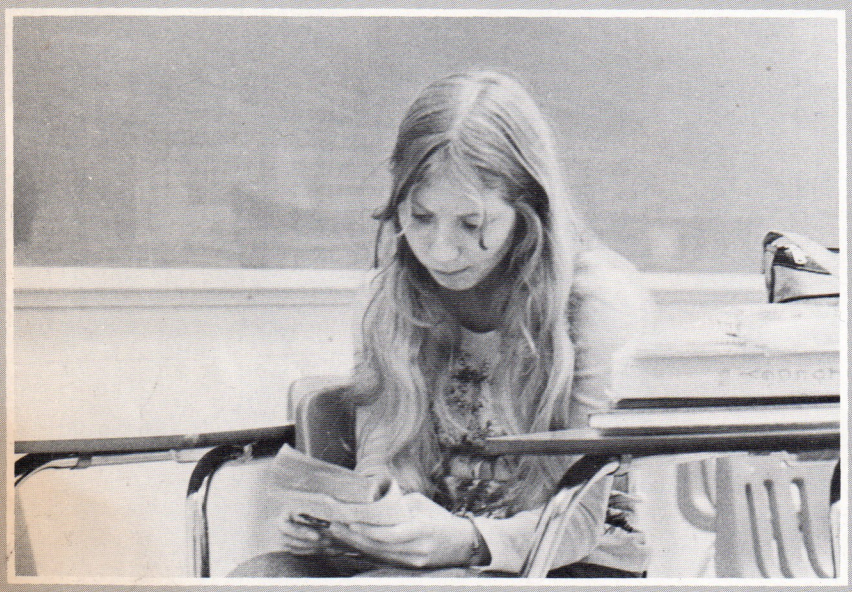
Dyed, fried, & laid to the side . . .



Lord Have Mercy!! . . .



Say What? . . .



OOh, this is a good book.



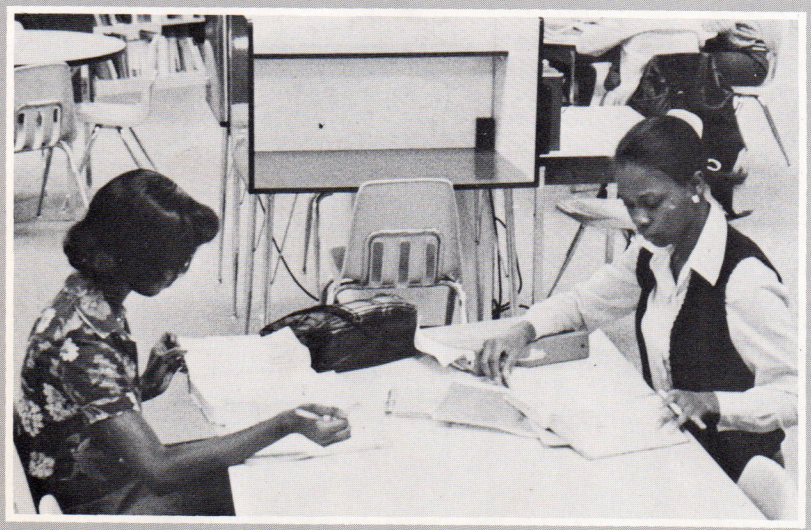
It wasn't me . . .



Look on your own @#*@** paper!!



Wonder who put us in here???



Excedrin Headache #76



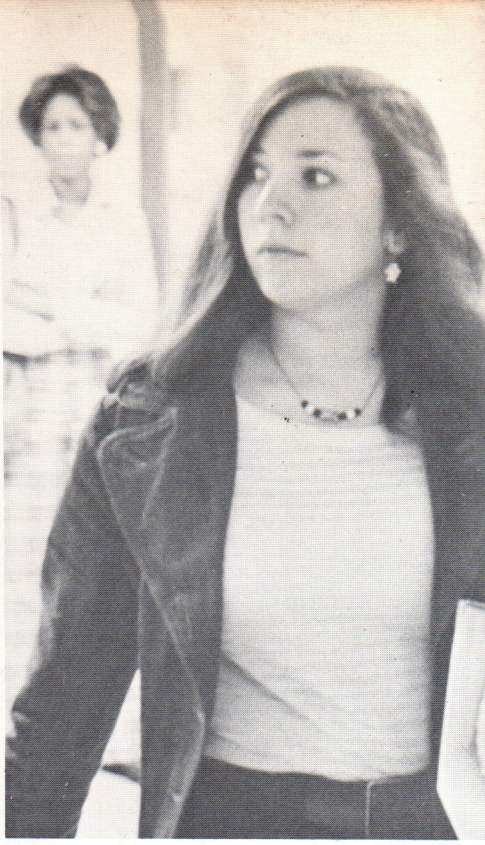
I told you I'd get you . . .



SLURP!!!



Where Are We . . .



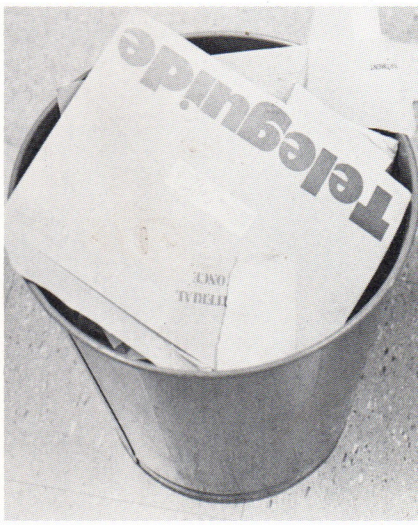
Oh my goodness . . .



Ready to eat???



Mmmmm Good!!!!!!!

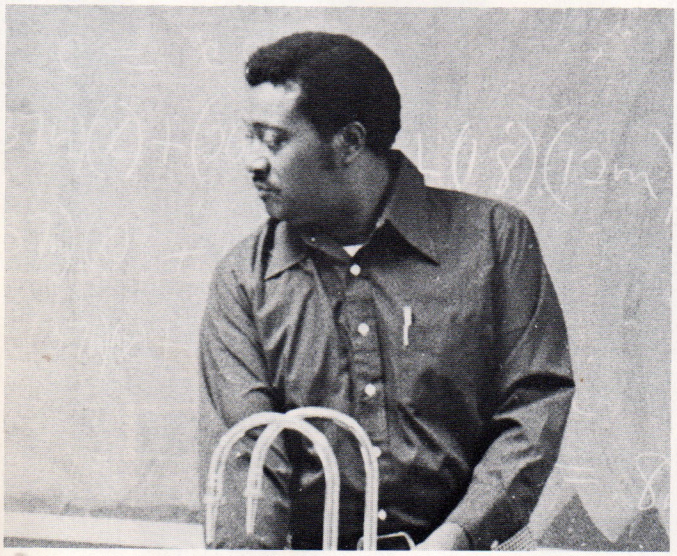


A bunch of bull#*@$@**





Juke Mighty Wildcats Juke . . .



I really don't know . . .



Really grubbin'



Don't move they're inspecting



Striding with pride



What's happen' mannnnnnnnnn . . .



You won't cut line today.



I said "BUMP" not "JUMP"



Check us out.



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MOST POPULAR
CAROL SCALES & CHRIS COLEMAN



MOST INTELLECTUAL
SHEEREE WIRT & WILFRED MAY



MISS VOGUE & MR. ESQUIRE
WILMA TYLER & STANLEY KEY



MOST LADYLIKE & MOST GENTLEMANLIKE
KIVA YARBROUGH & MICHEAL STEWART

"Chuckie"



MOST PLEASING PERSONALITY
DESIREE CARTER & CHARLIE THOMAS III



MOST TALENTED
MELVIA ROGERS & REGINALD GLOVER



NEATEST: DIANNE HARRIS &MAURICE MC GHEE

CLASS SWEETHEARTS
TERRY MC KINLEY & WILFRED MAY





CLASS CUT-UPS
LISA KING & RONALD NORFLEET

MOST VERSATILE
KAHLER WILLIAMS & LESLIE CURRUTHERS





MOST TALKATIVE
BONITA LYONS & JOHNNY LITTLE



CLASS FLIRTS
JACKIE BELL & FREDRICK CURRY



BEST DANCERS
VICKIE STRONG & SAMUEL RUDD



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TERRY MC KINLEY & VINCENT CHANDLER

SHYEST
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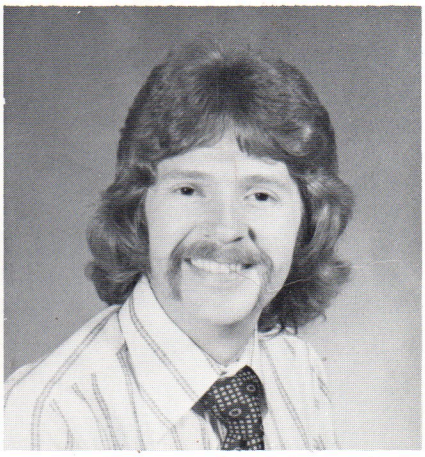

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Alinda Norris

Elaine Smith

Donna White









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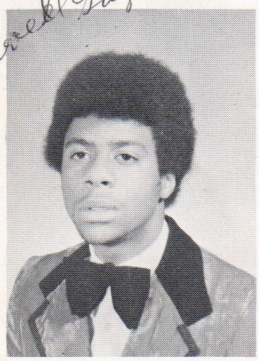

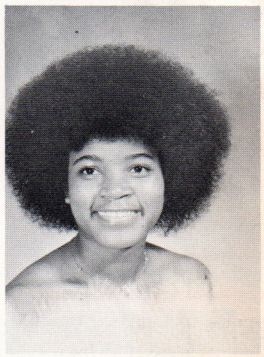


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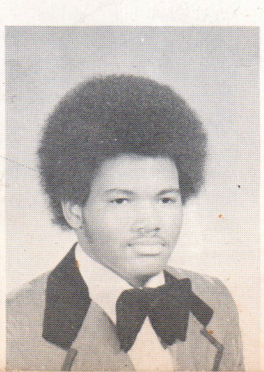



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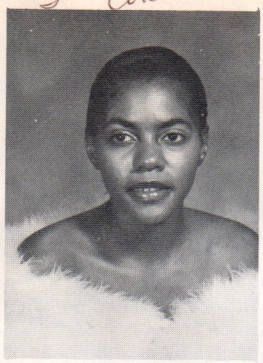
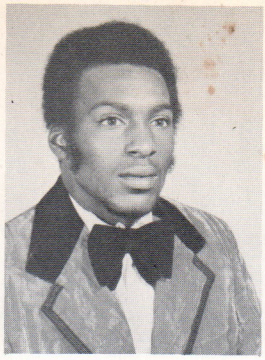
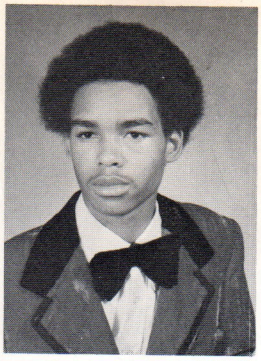

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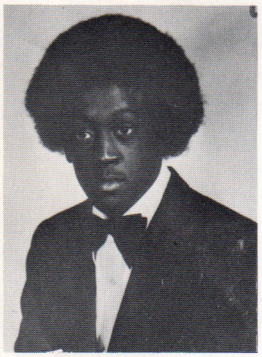

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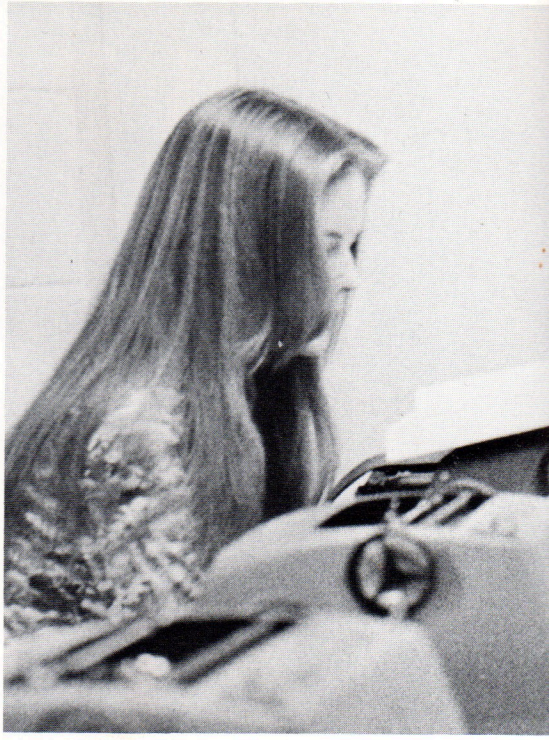

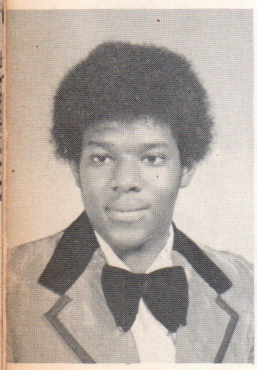


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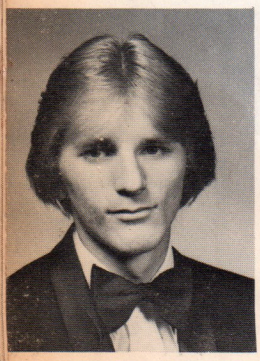

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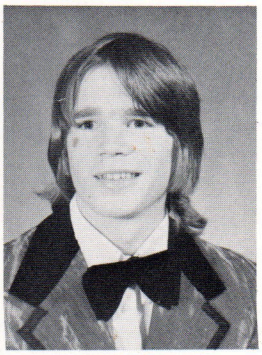

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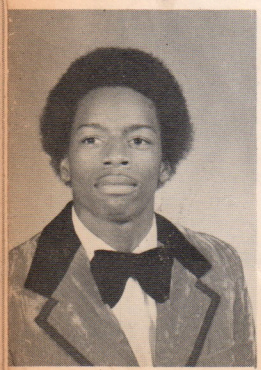


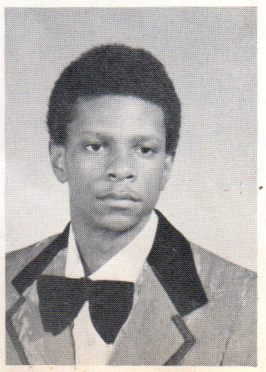

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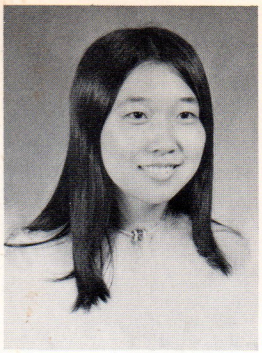

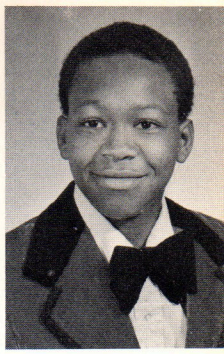

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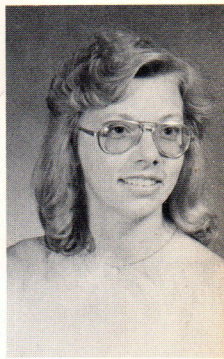

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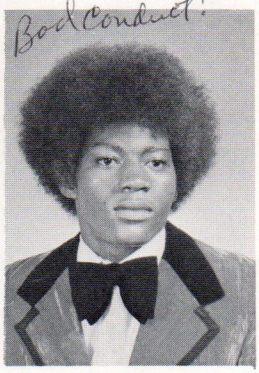
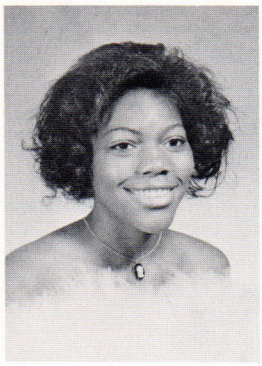
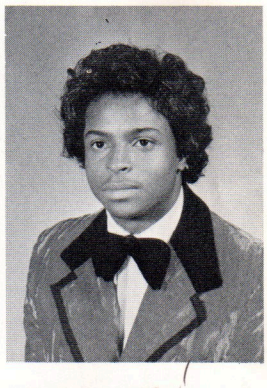




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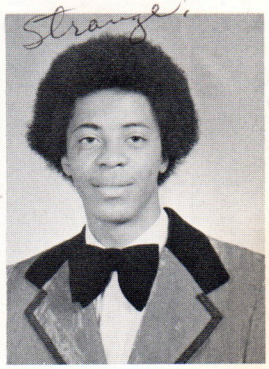
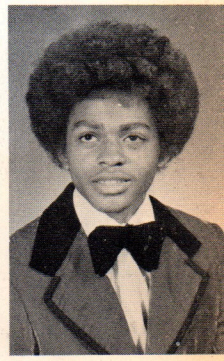

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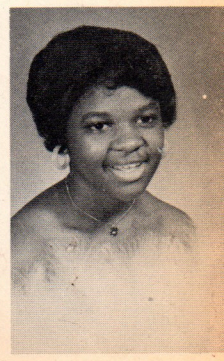

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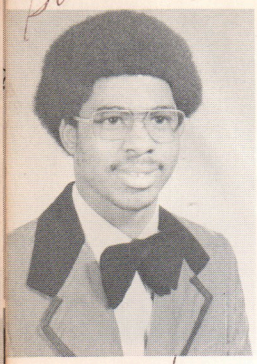

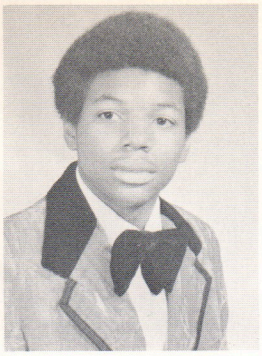





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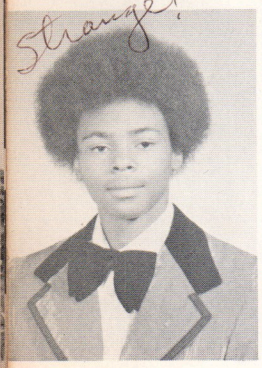

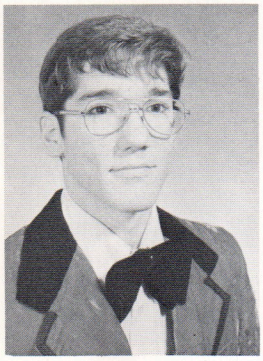



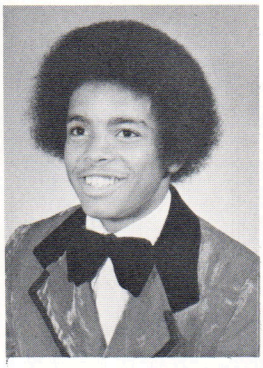

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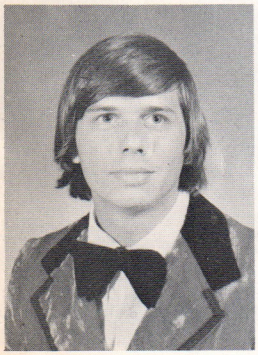

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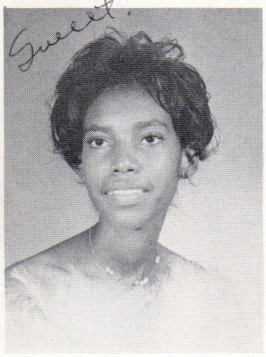

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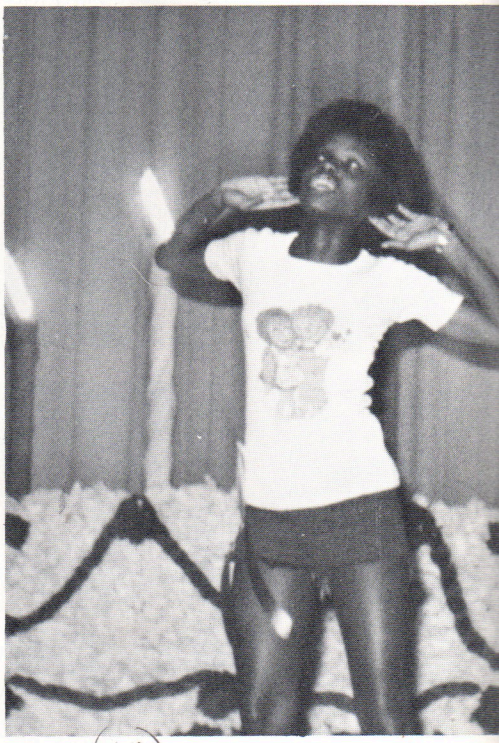

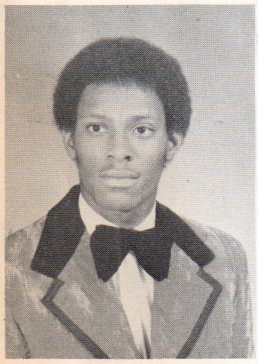



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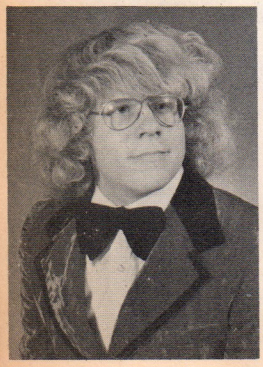

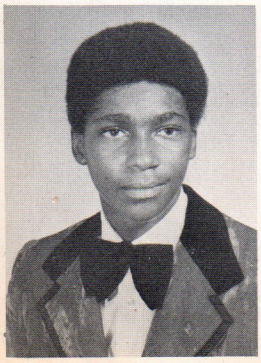



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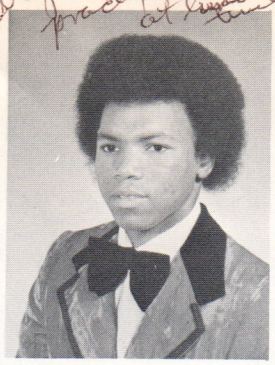



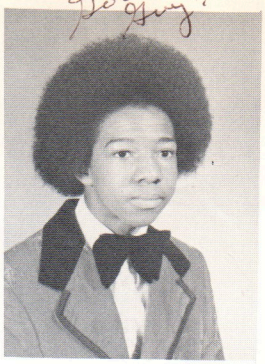





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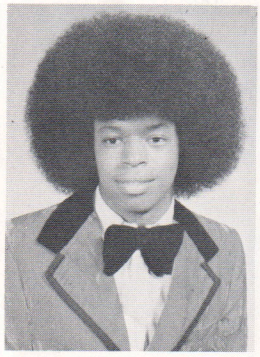

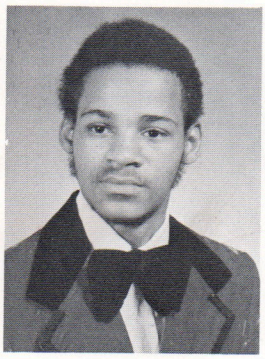





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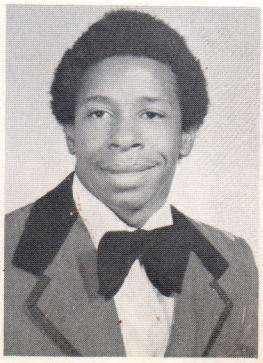



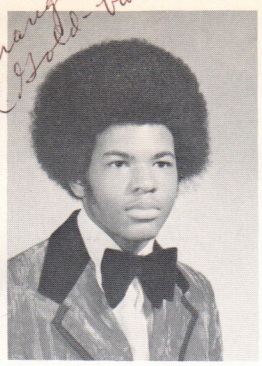

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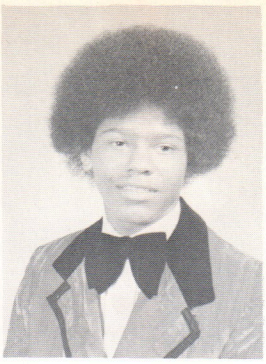





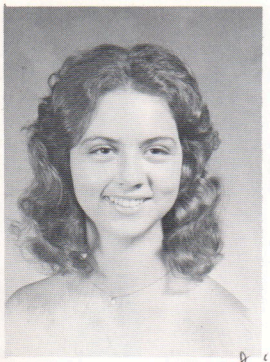

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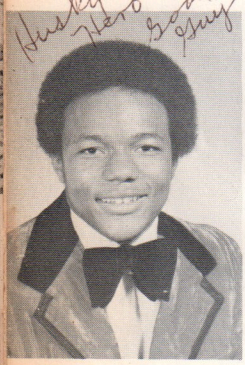





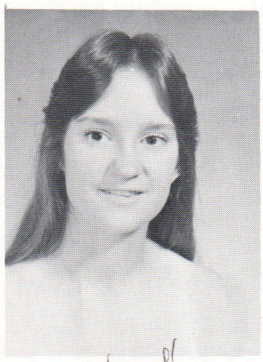

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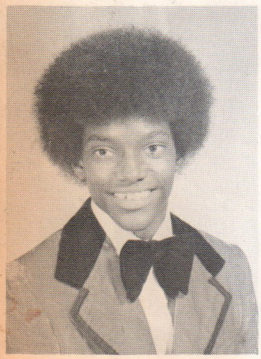

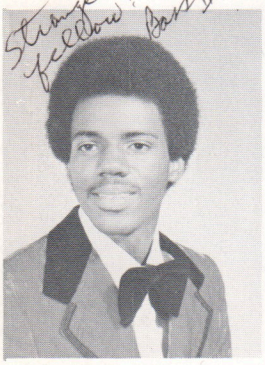

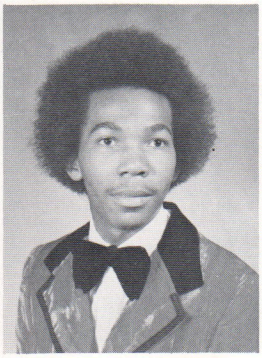



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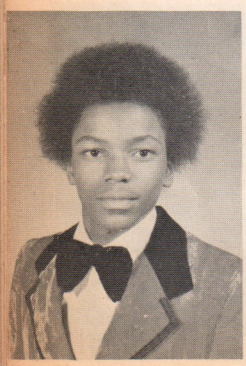





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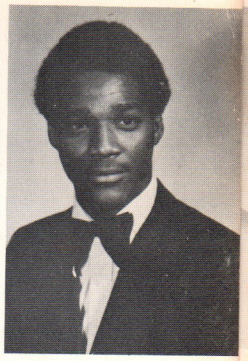

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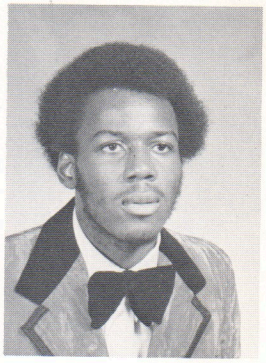



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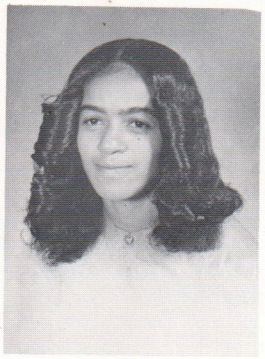





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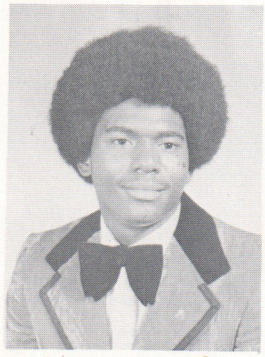

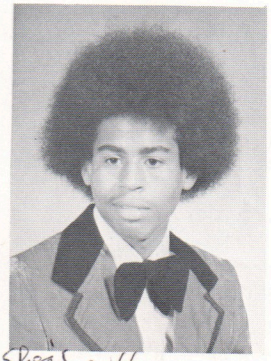

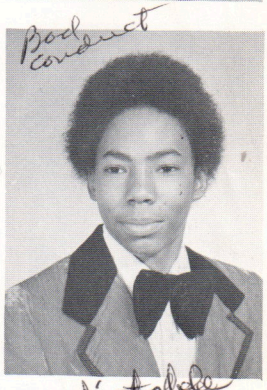



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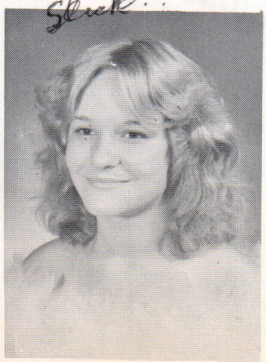



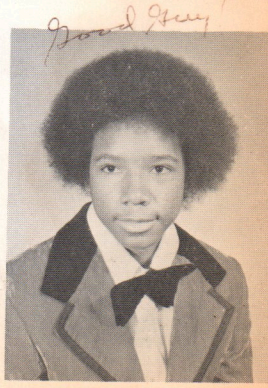









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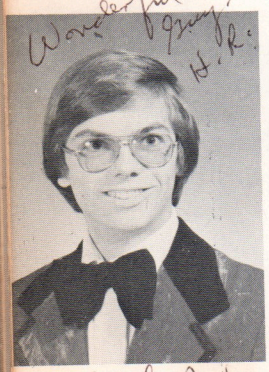

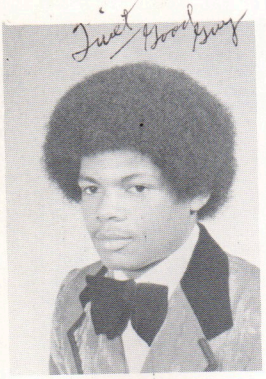

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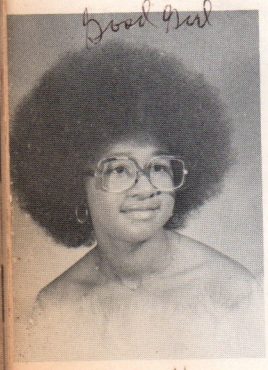

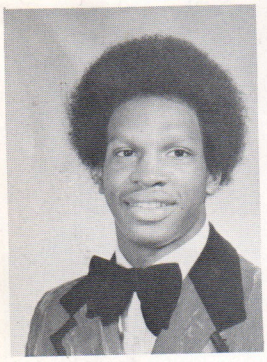

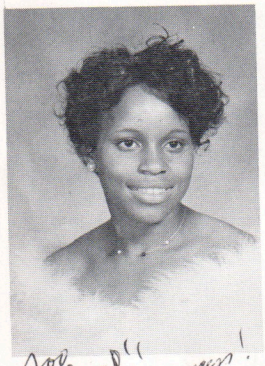



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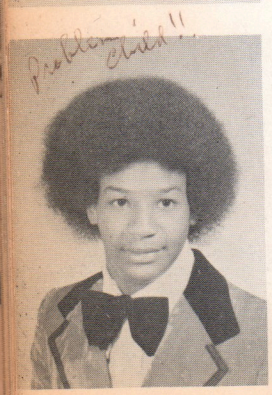



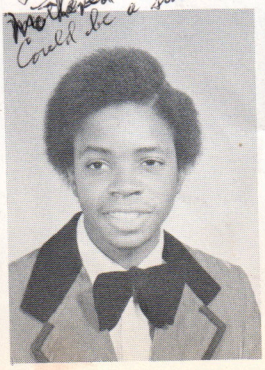



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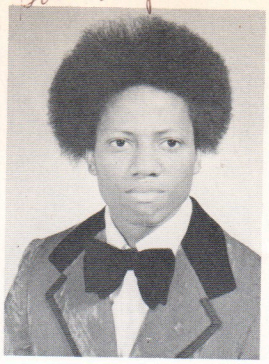




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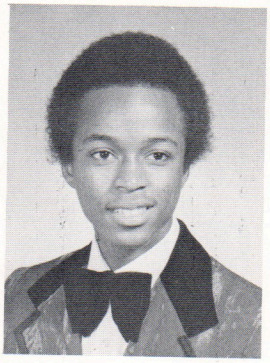




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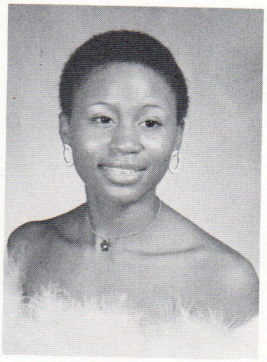

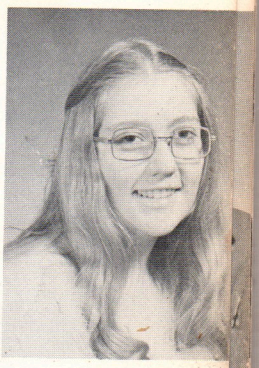



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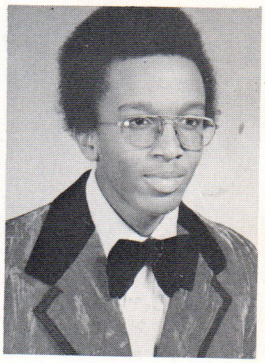
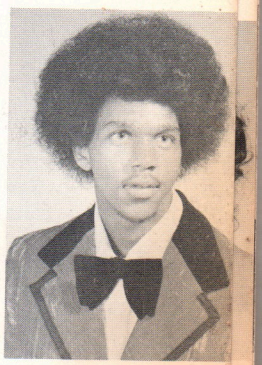

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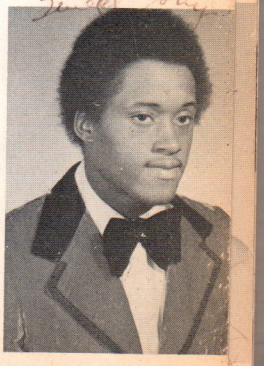

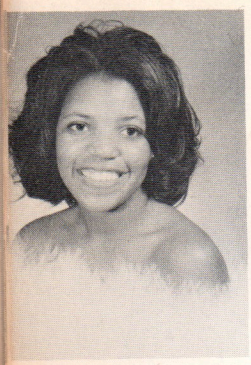





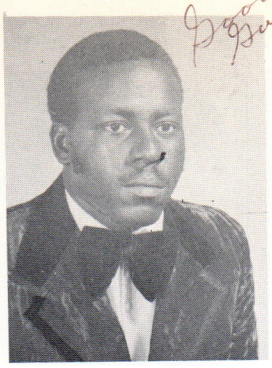

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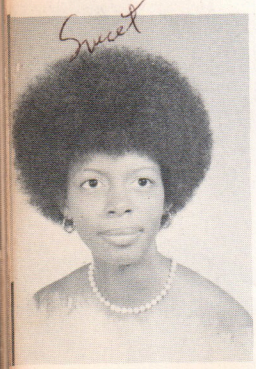

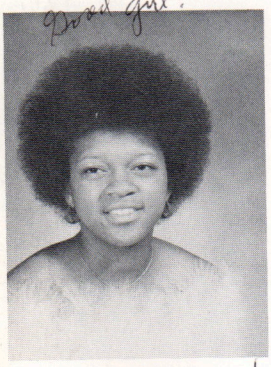

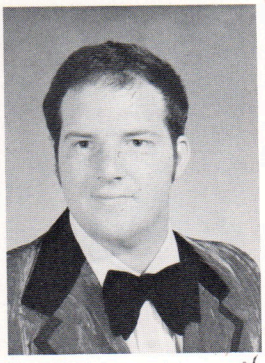



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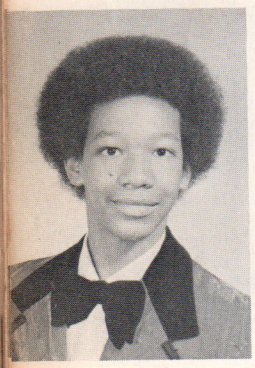

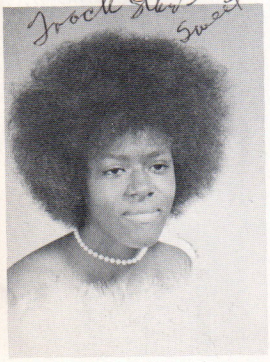

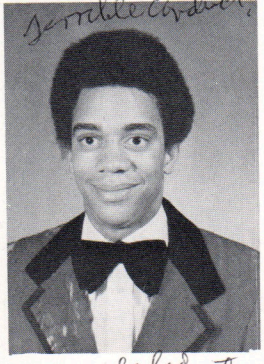

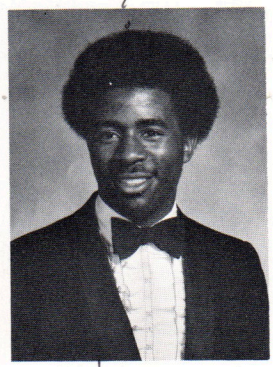

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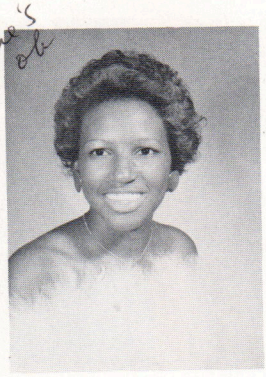



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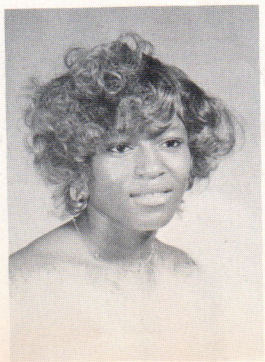

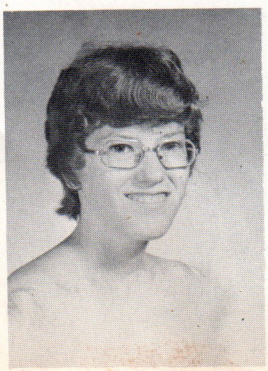

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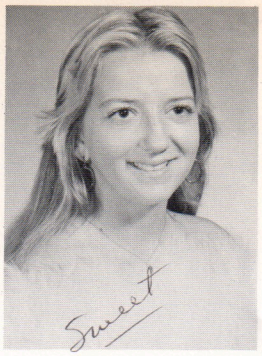

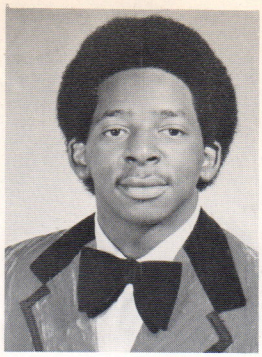

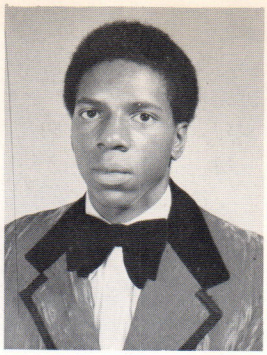



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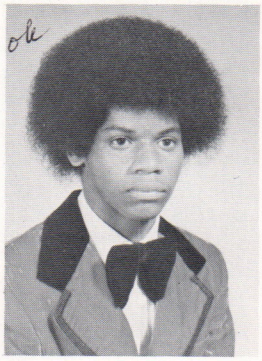

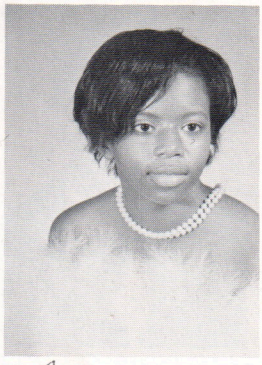

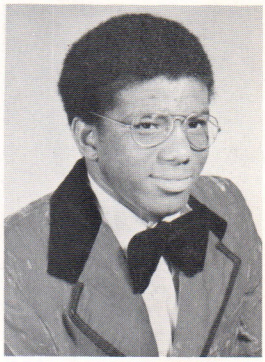

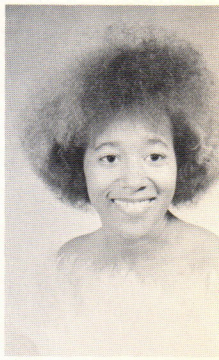

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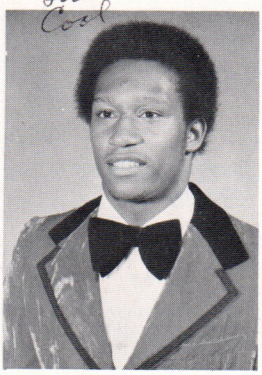

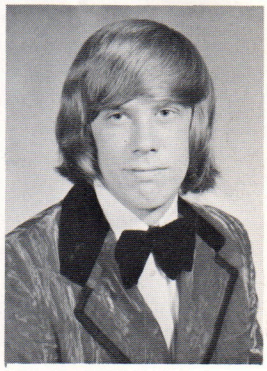

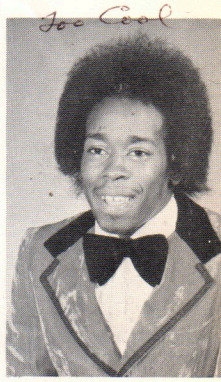

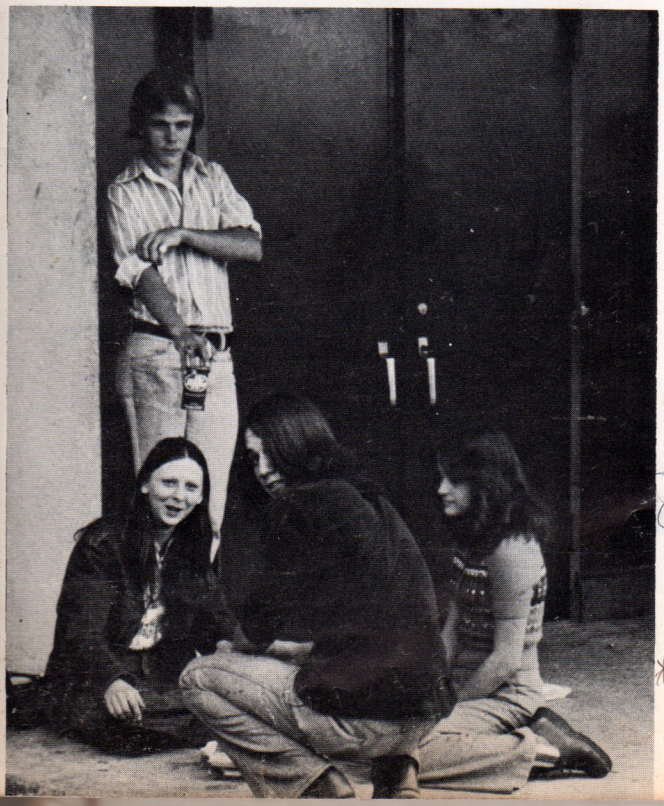

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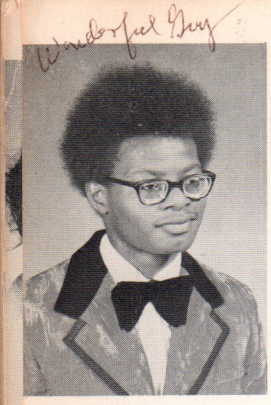



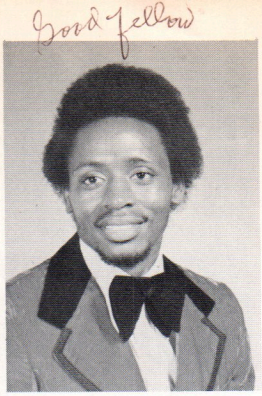



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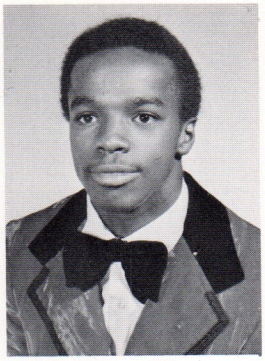

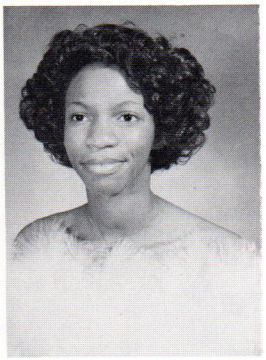

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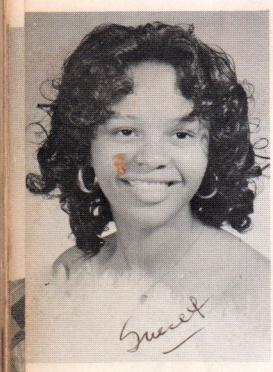

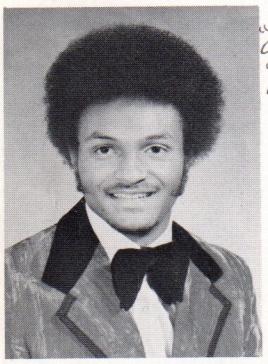

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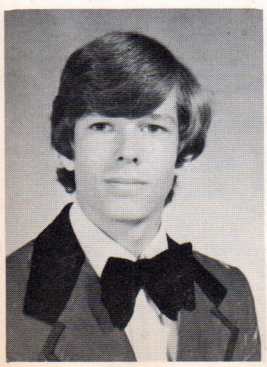



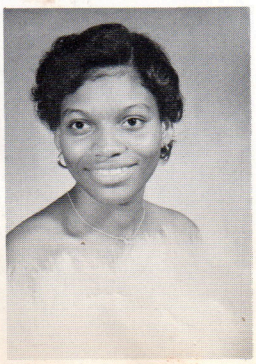

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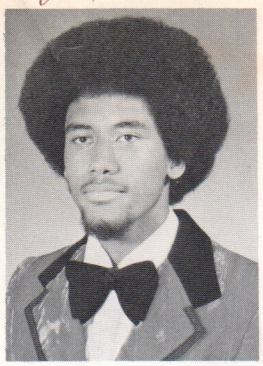
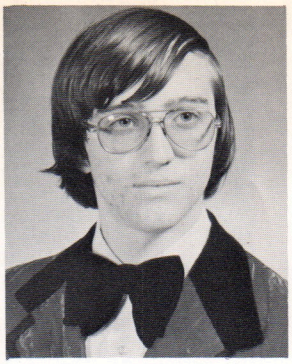
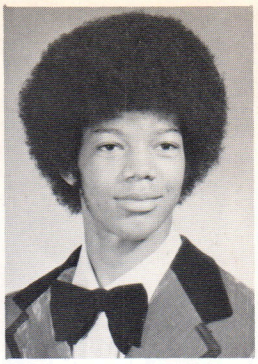


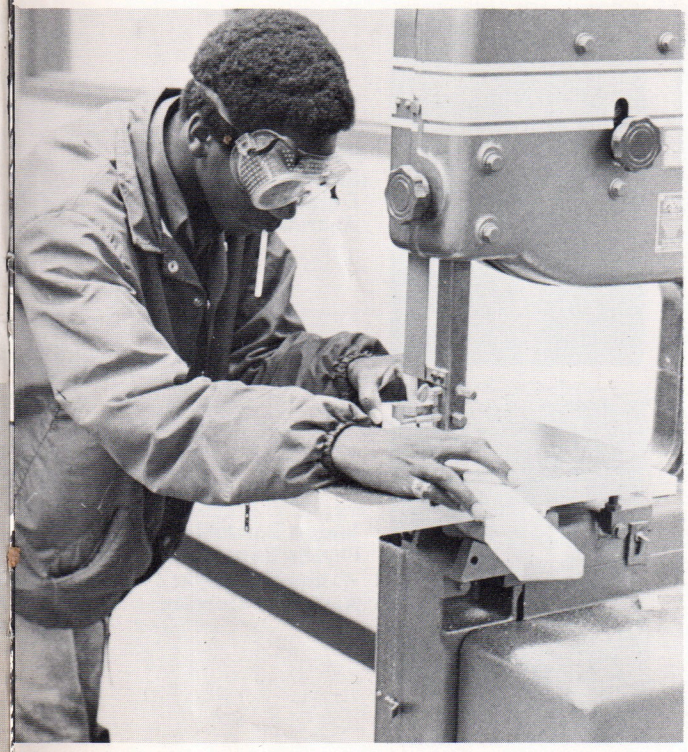

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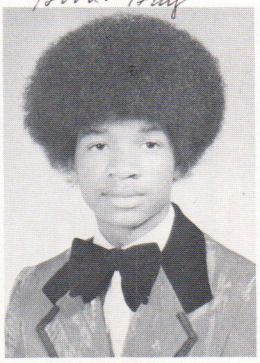

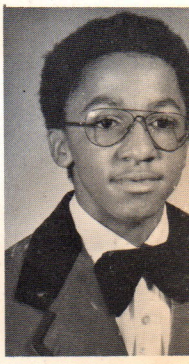

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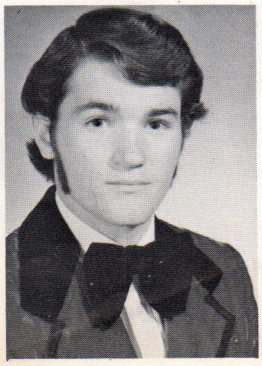









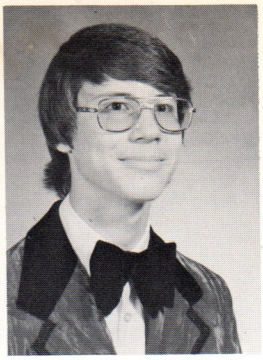

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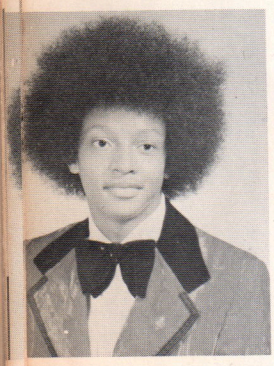

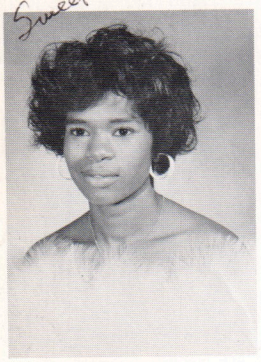

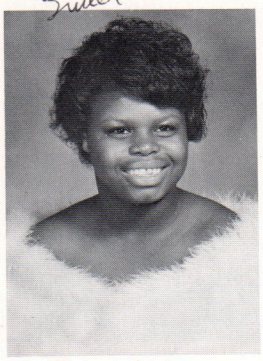

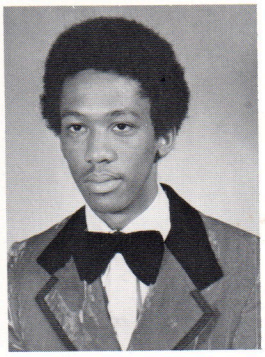

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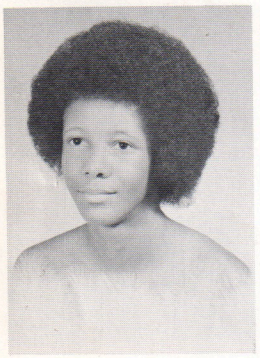
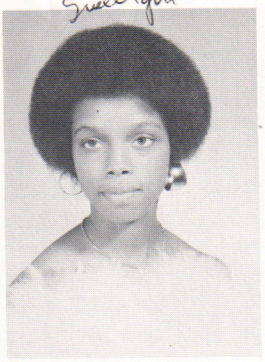
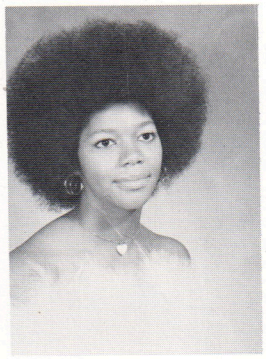
Andrew Tunstall









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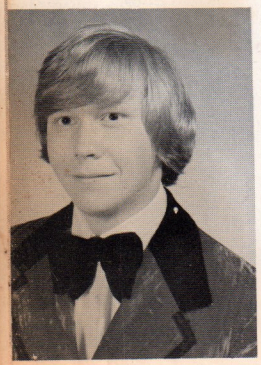



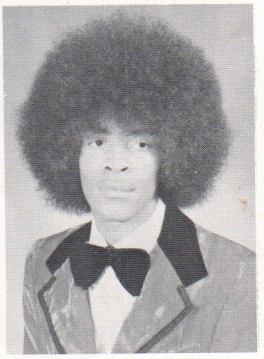

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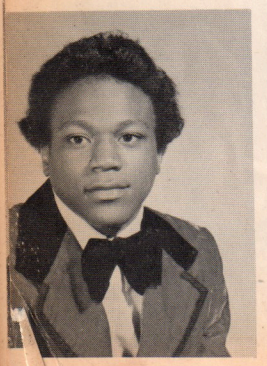

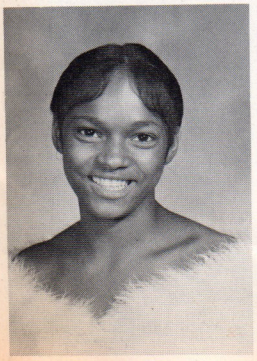



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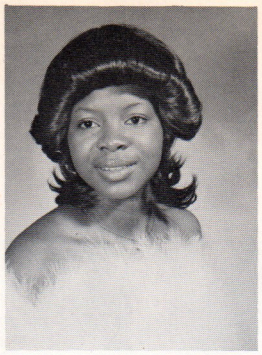
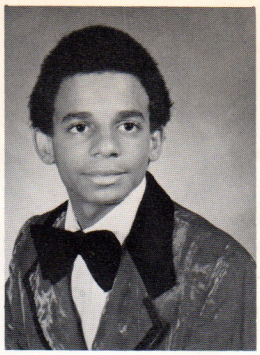
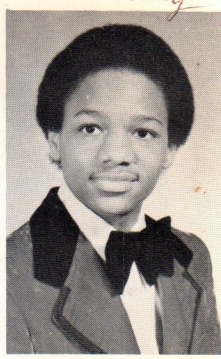
Belinda Ward
Joyce Washington



Carolyn Watkins
Debra Watkins
Tony West
Kirk Whalum



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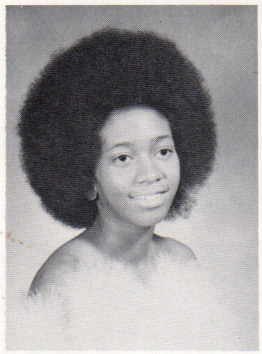
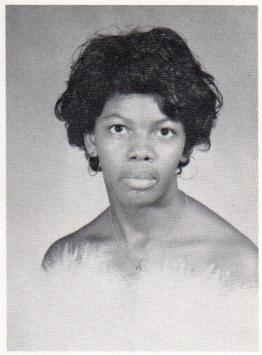
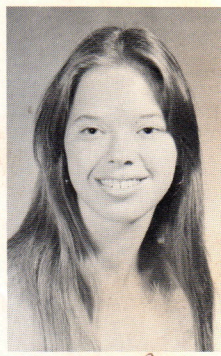
Jeanette Williams
Mary Williams



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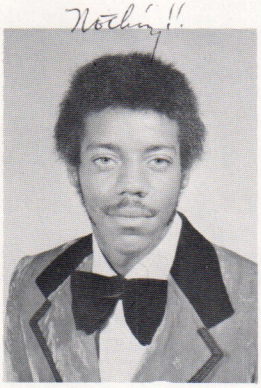
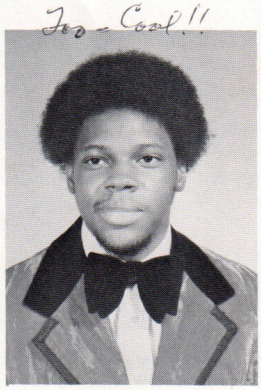
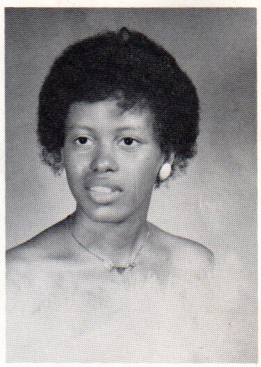
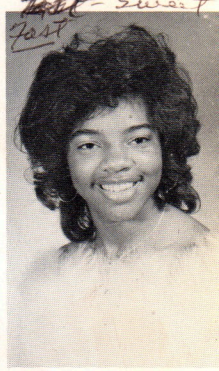
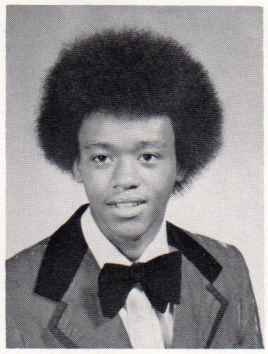


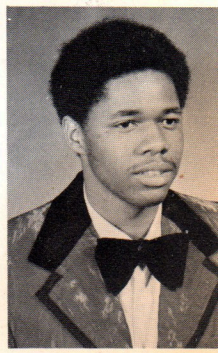




Danny Woods
Evelyn Woods
Glenn Woods



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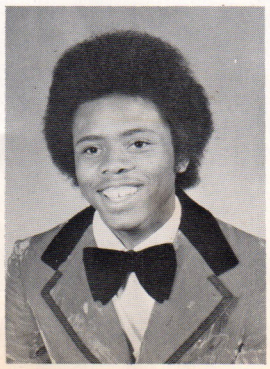
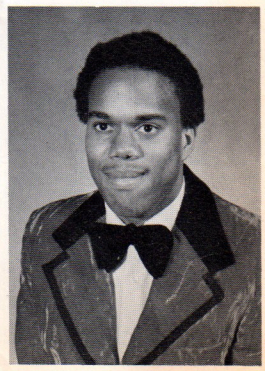
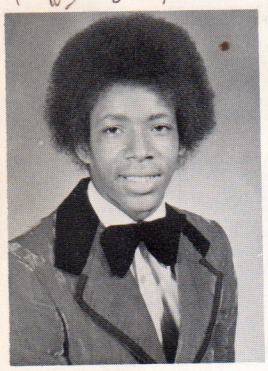
Anthony Wright
Dale Wright

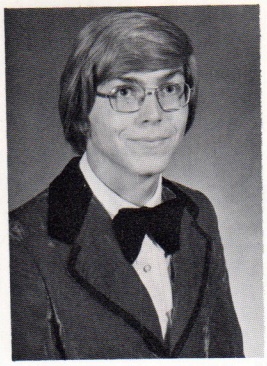




Good boy!
He was willing - but couldn't sing!!

Sweet

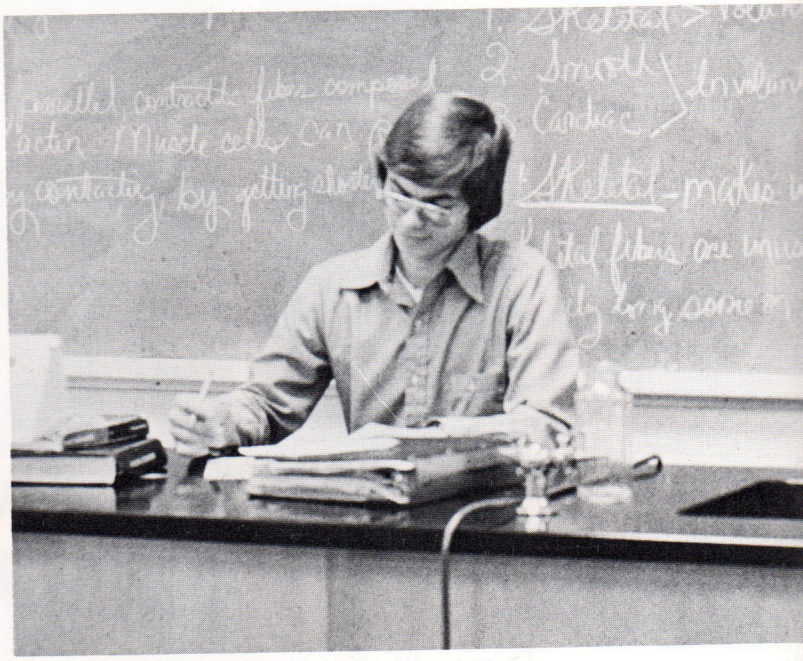




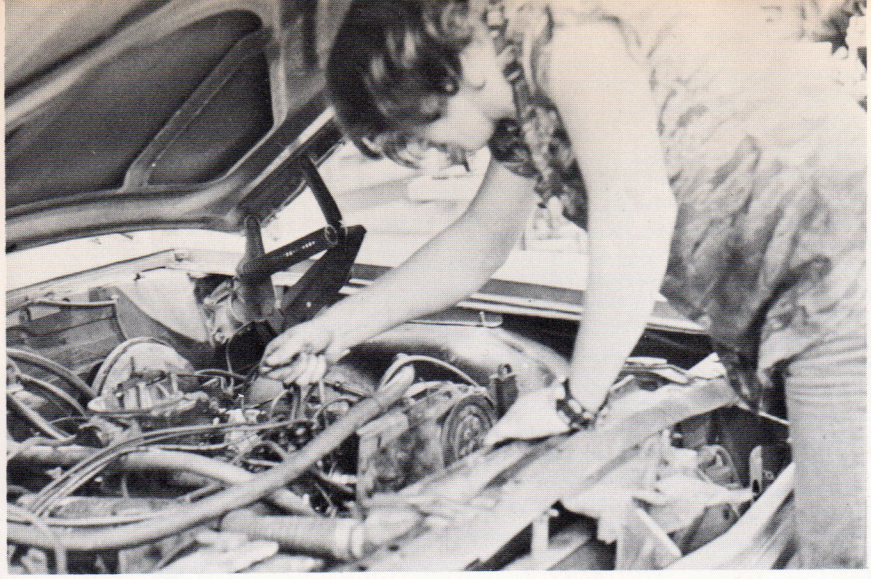


Olsybe Wright
Kiva Yarbrough
Clint Younts

















SEVENTY-SIX GRADS OF MELROSE HIGH

I'm speaking of '76 Grads: I hope you'll
all know,
They started out as babes, a long, long,
time ago.
Their school years have been exciting,
from the beginning to the end,
But, now it's over Seniors; a new life
must now begin.

The first year was full of fun,
Teachers were sweet as honey,
But once you got the swing of it,
They yelled, "Don't do that Sonny!"

Third grade was considered easy,
When you knew how to read and write,
But, tell me, what became of you,
After those noonday fights?

Learning was harder now,
The fourth year was going fast,
You asked yourself the question,
How in the world am I going to last?

As you passed on to the fifth,
Small Stars were gleaming in your eye,
These were signs from Cupid,
To wake up and look towards the sky.

The sixth grade was even better,
You knew what you were doing then,
As you remembered the first year,
The days of way back when.

In the seventh, you had passed halfway,
But, still counting the years to come,
When you'd be sitting in a classroom,
Yawning, saying, ho, hum, hum.

In the ninth grade you looked forward
to the day,
When you'd be in Senior High,
All your former teachers,
Would be sending you gladly with a sigh.

As a sophomore you were getting closer,
To the year you wanted to see,
The year when you'd be a boaster,
While leaving the prison with glee.

You almost had it made,
Your Junior year in school,
When you had leisure time,
To fiddle, faddle, and fool.

Now you have come to your Senior year,
The year of dances and proms,
But the day of most importance to you,
Is the day that your graduation comes.

Well, now you know how your lives began,
How you've ventured, from the beginning
to the end,
So there you have it ladies and lads,
The Melrose High School '76 Grads.

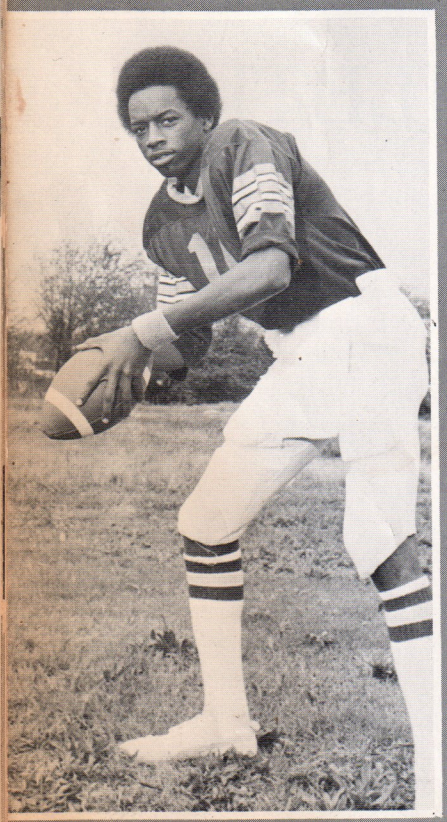
Lorian Ann Hood



ATHLETICS



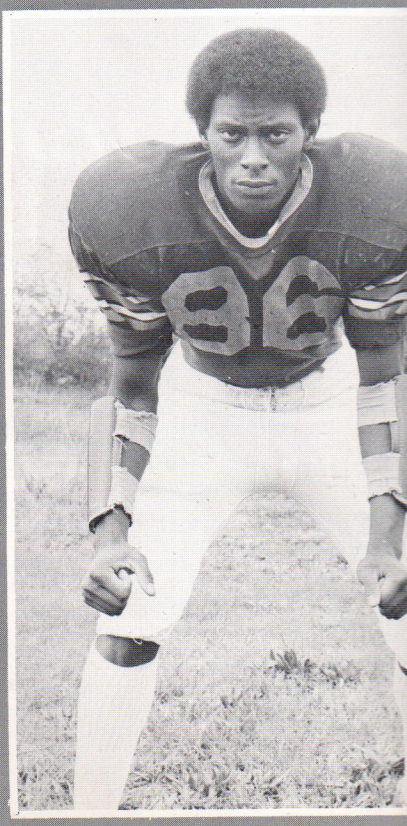
Now, tell me, what does Melrose think about the Wildcats?? . . . . . .



Leslie Carruthers
QUARTERBACK



Walter Cathey
Tackle



Terry Edwards
End



FOOTBALL

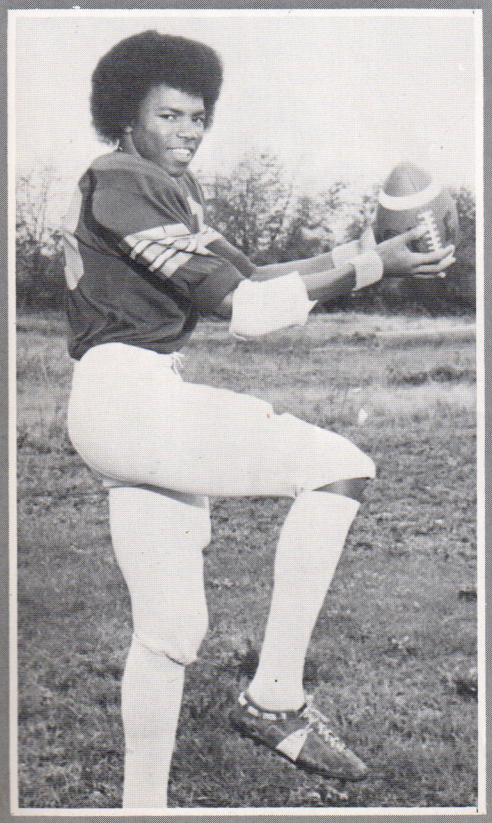
Head Coach
Ralph Patterson

Assistant Coaches
Robert Crawford
Everett Garrett



MISS FOOTBALL
REGINA GARLAND





Jesse Gardner
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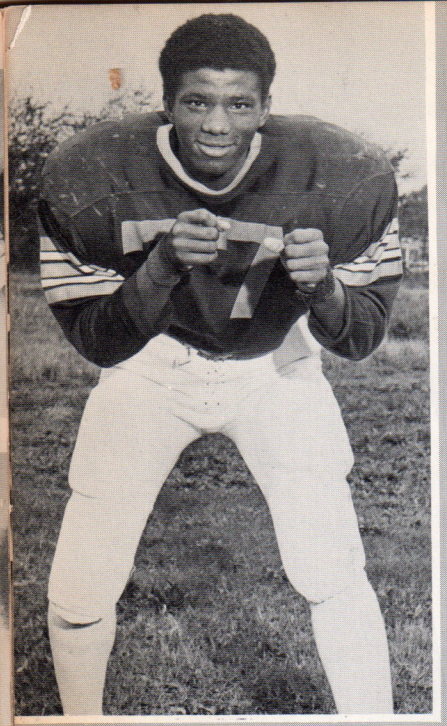
Thomas McCaster
Defensive Halfback



Willis Nesbitt
End



Clyde Rapier
Linebacker



James Rice
Tackle



Melvin Richmond
Guard-Tackle

Max Sims
Defensive Halfback

Kenneth Stanback
Running Back

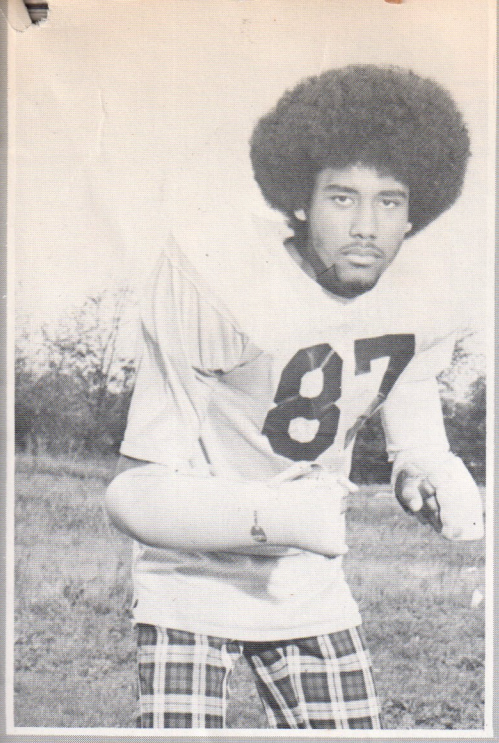
James Stewart
Fullback







Glee Club



Micheal Stewart
Tackle



Roy Sullivan
Linebacker

Reel neon!
Glee Club



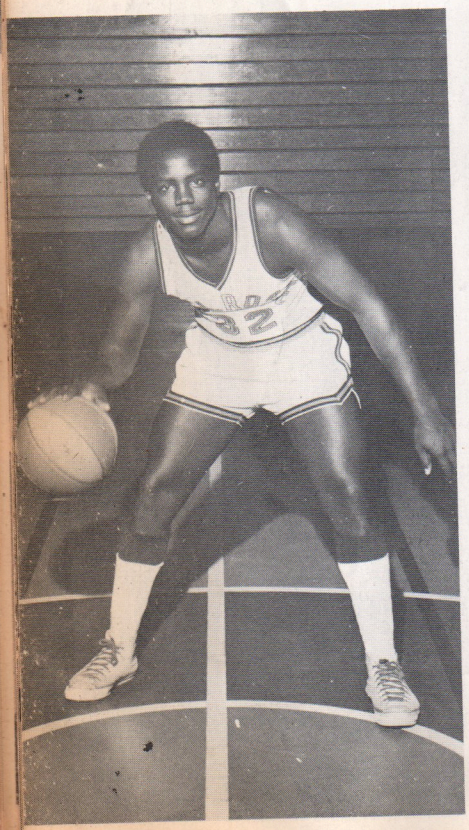
Richard Tatum
Running Back

. . . . . WE THINK THEY'RE ALL RIGHT!!!

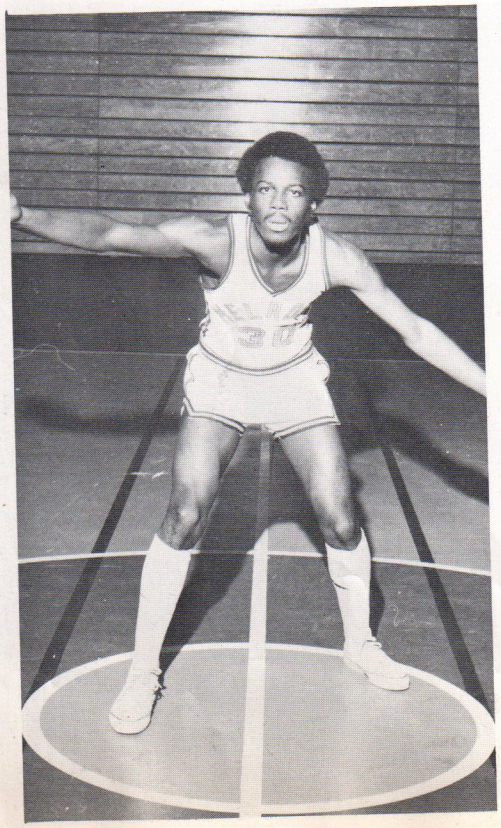


Set it up; put it in . . . . . Set it up; put it in . . . . . .

Issac Benson
Guard-Forward

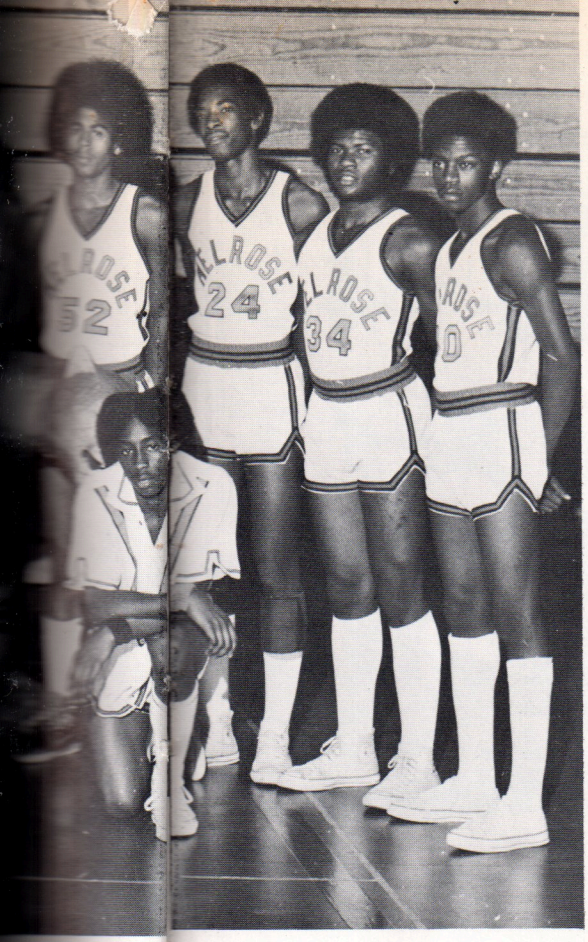


Kenneth Farmer Jones
Center



Clifford Gunn
Guard





BASKETBALL

HEAD COACH

Dorsey Sims

ASSISTANT COACH

MacArthur Roberts



MISS BASKETBALL
Sharon Batts

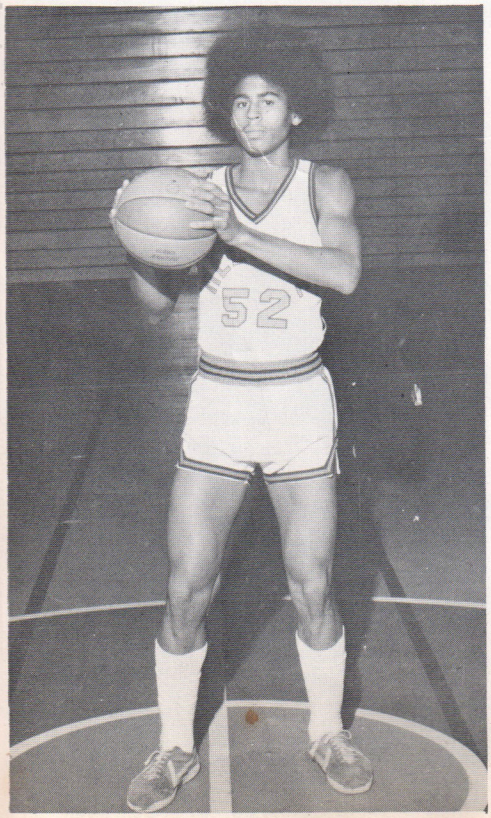
LET'S WIN!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

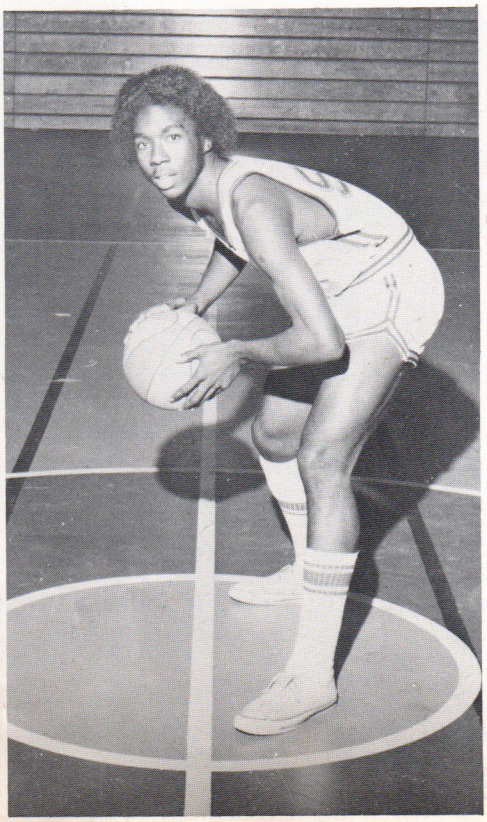
William Jones
Forward

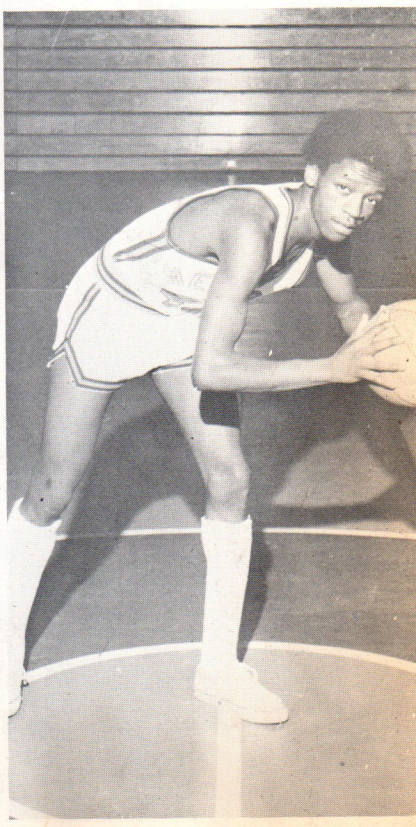
James Monroe
Forward Center

Larry Simpson Guard











MISS BASEBALL
Kahler Williams



Clyde Rapier
Catcher





BASEBALL

Head Coach

Everett Garrett





Batter up, Mighty
Wildcats . . . . . .
BAT 'ER UP!!!!!!!!!!!

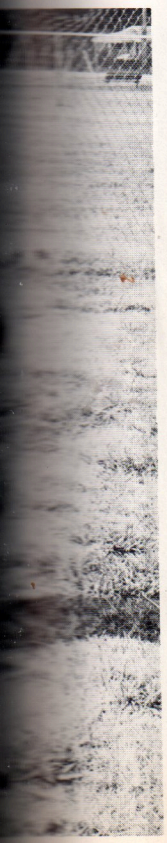
Johnny Little
Second Baseman

Ernest Murry
Pitcher

Max Sims
First Baseman

Kevin Crutcher
Catcher

Ricky Shaw
Right Fielder











Michael Curry
880, 440 Mile, 2 Mile Relay



MISS TRACK
Joyce Washington

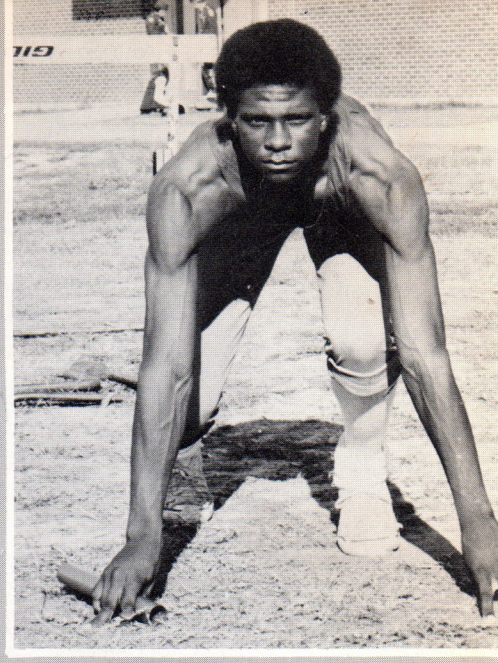




TRACK

Head Coach
Robert Crawford

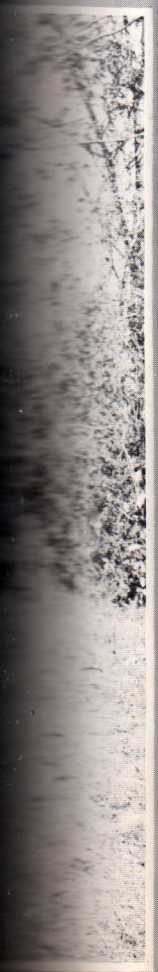
Assistant Coach
Bruce Johnson

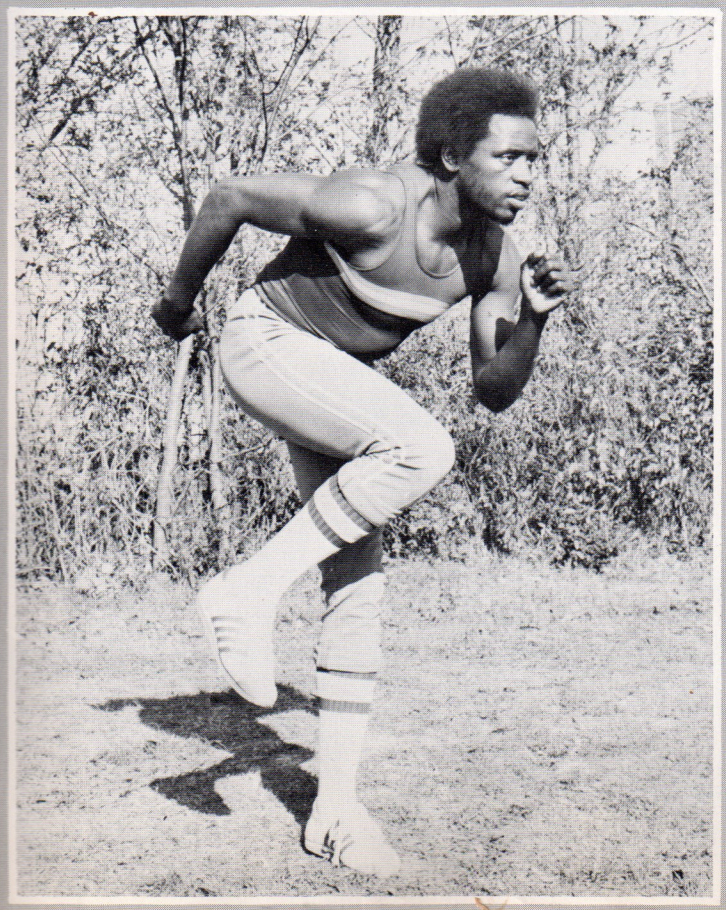


Walter Cathey
440, 880

You gotta go to fight; you gotta
fight to win--GO! FIGHT! WIN!!!!!!!!!

James Stewart
100, 220, 440, Miler, Long Jump





Willis Nesbitt
H. Hurdles, L. Hurdles, 100,440,880 Relay





Samuel Rudd
440, Mike Relay



Mark Hancock
Mile, 880, 2 Mile Relay

. . . . . GO!!!!!!!! FIGHT!!!!!!!! WIN!!!!!!!!!!!! . . . . . .

Melvin Thomas
Mile, 2 Mile



Leslie Carruthers
High Jump, 2 Mile Relay, 880, 440, 220



1975-76 GOLDEN WILDCAT CHEERLEADERS







BASKETBALL & TRACK



C. Scales, Utility



K. Williams, Guard



C. Thomas, 440 Long Jump







Patricia Simpson
High Jump, 880



Joyce Washington
440, 880 Relay



Lorraine Patterson
440, 880, 100





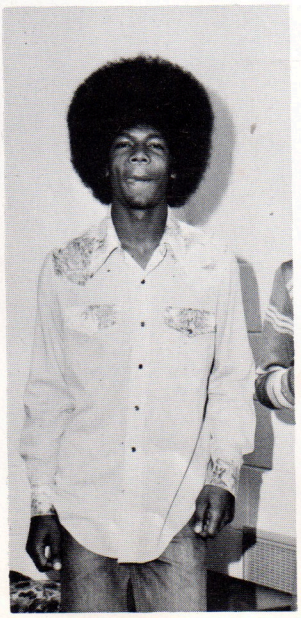


Melrose Golden Kittens



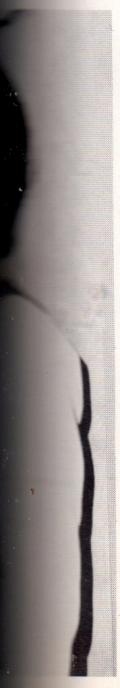


. . . They were caught in the act of being themselves!!!!









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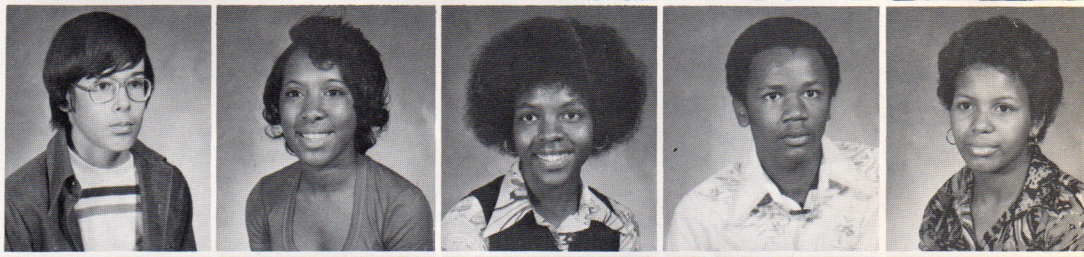

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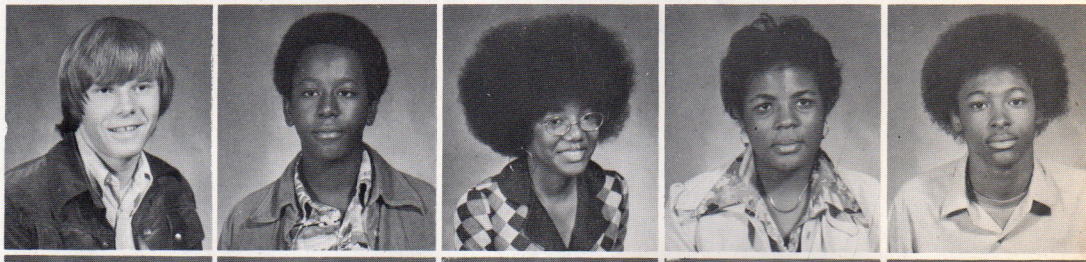

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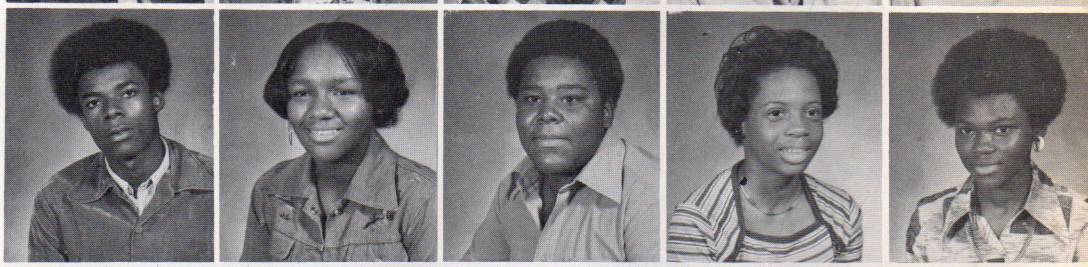

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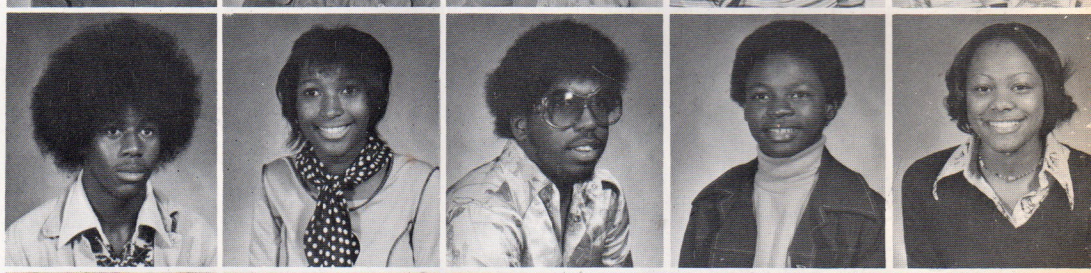

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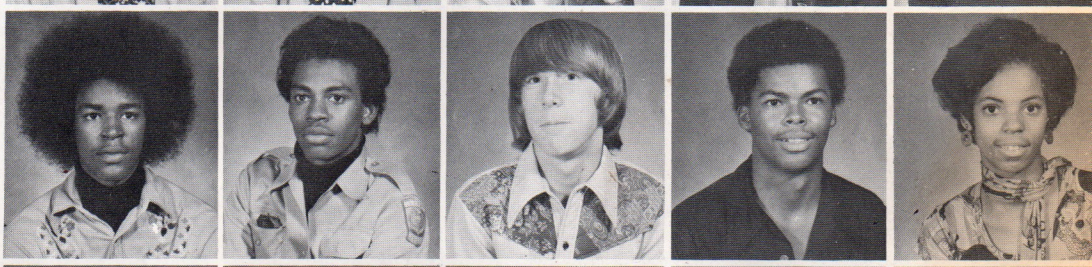

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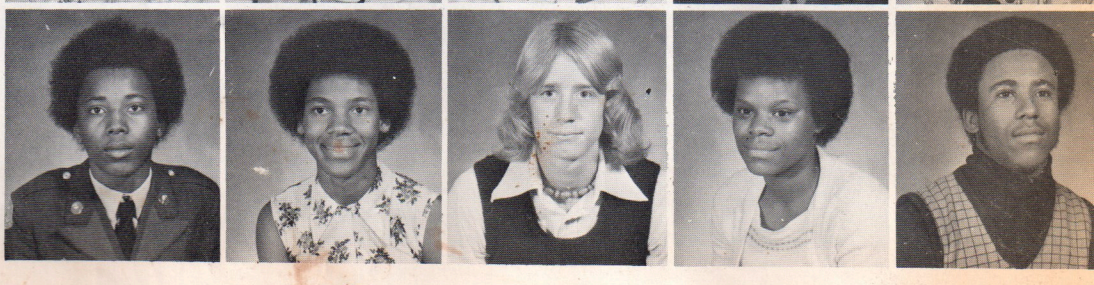

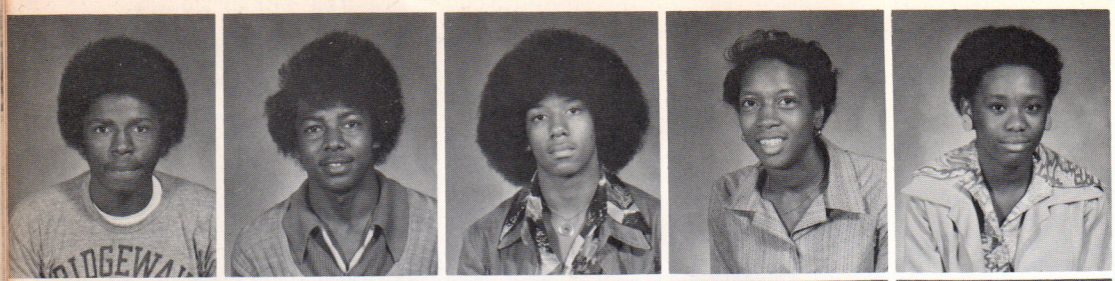

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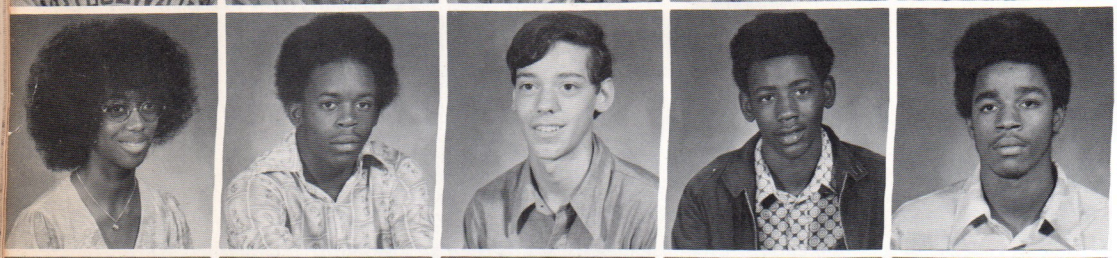

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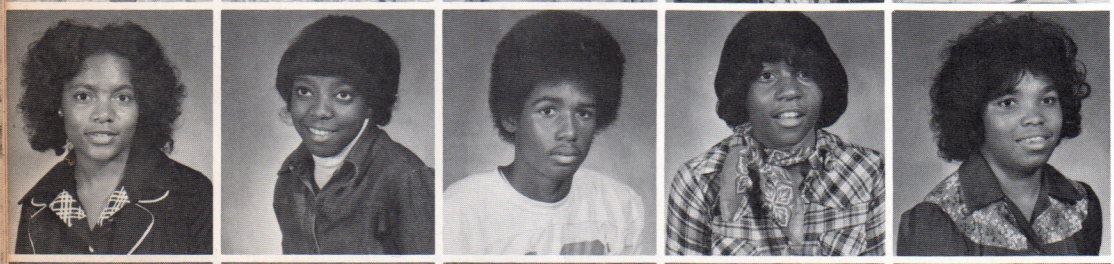

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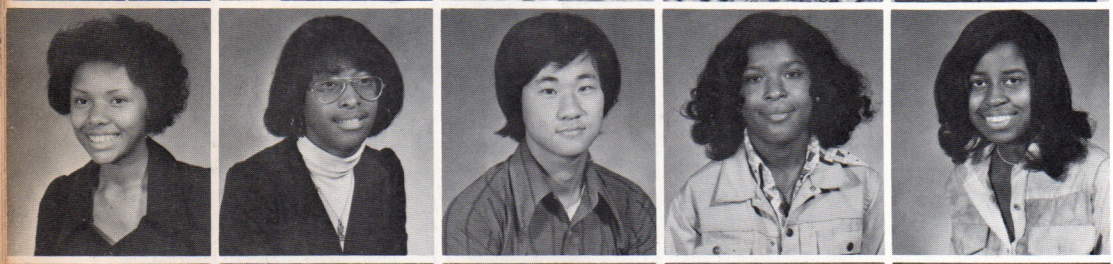

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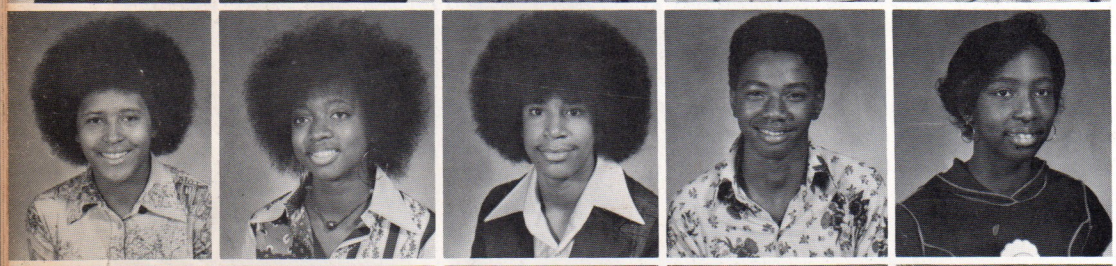

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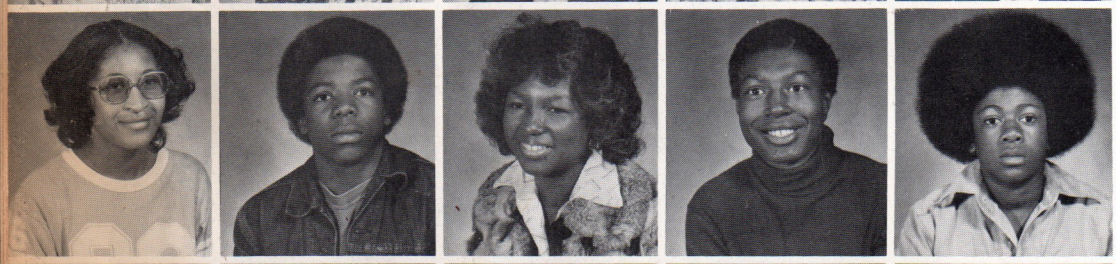

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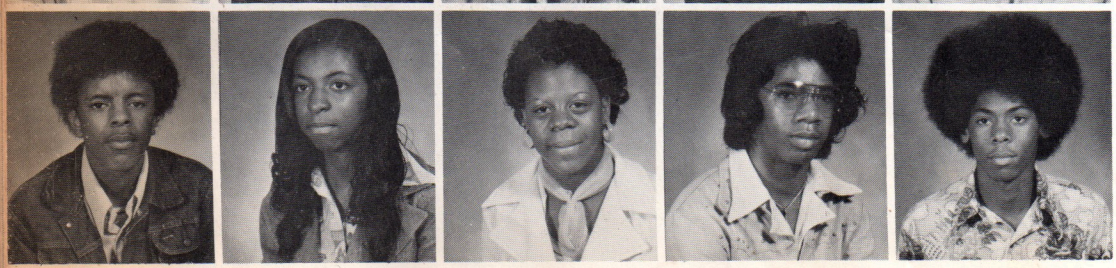

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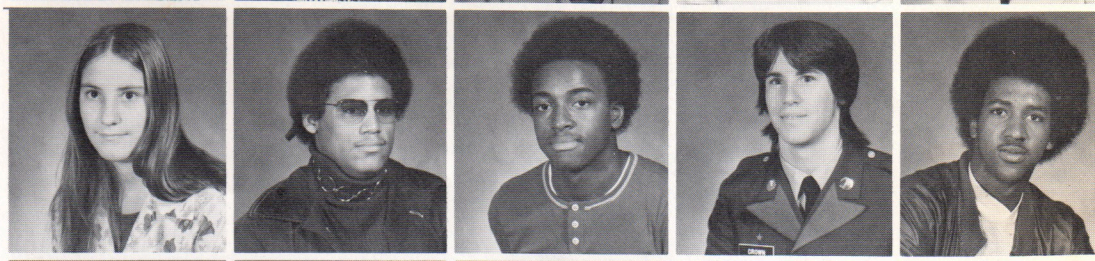

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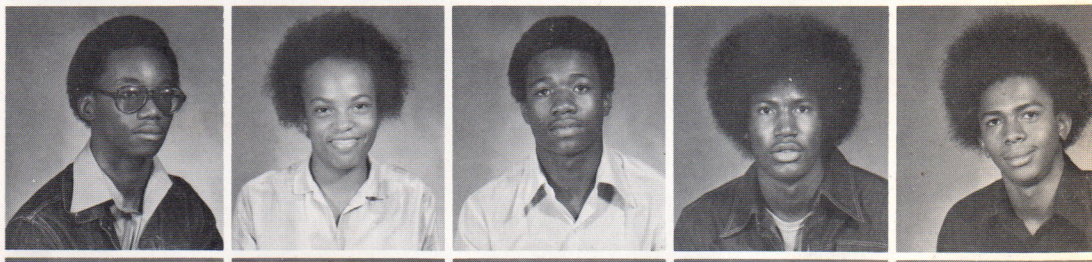

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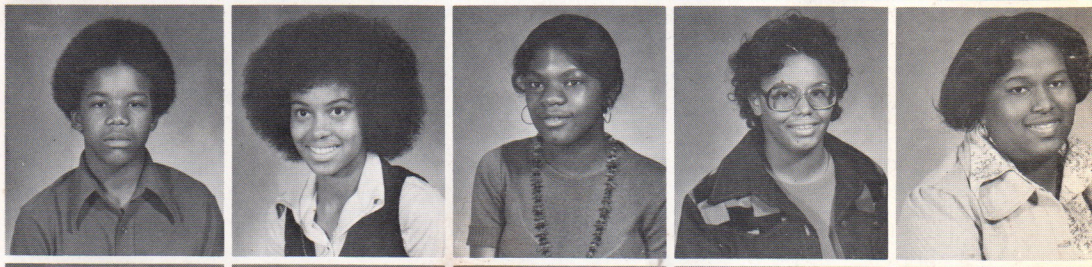

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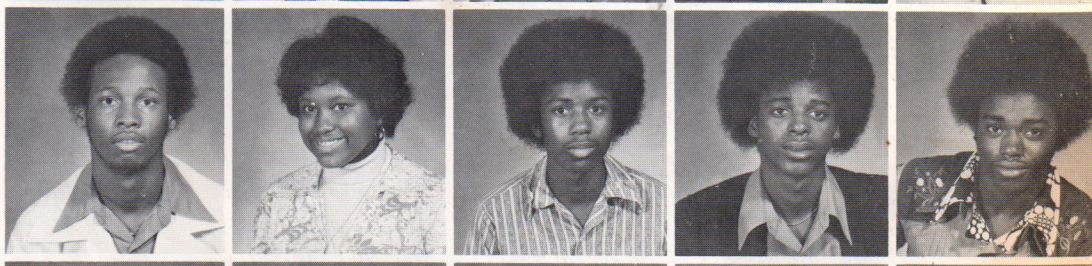

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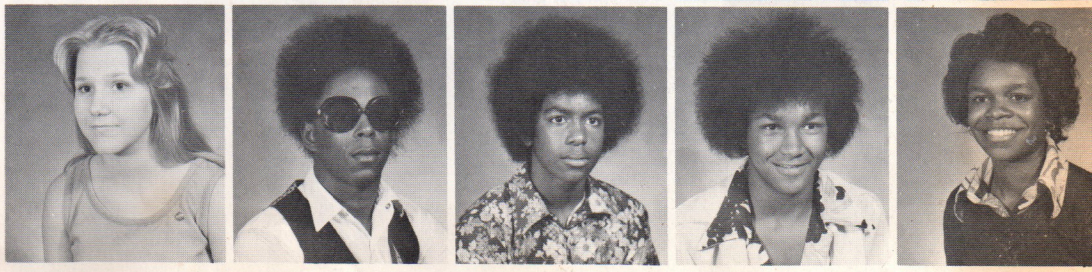



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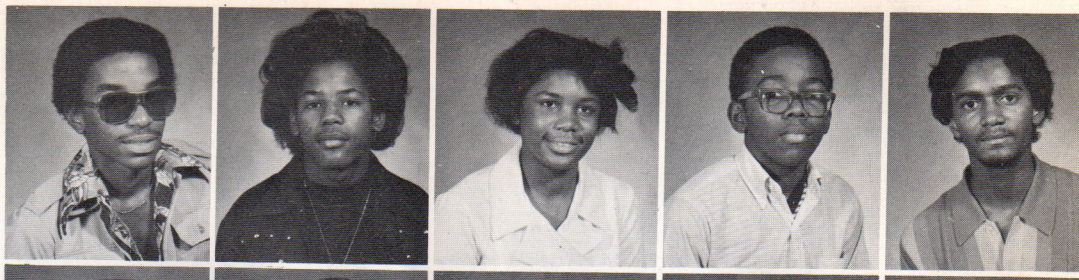

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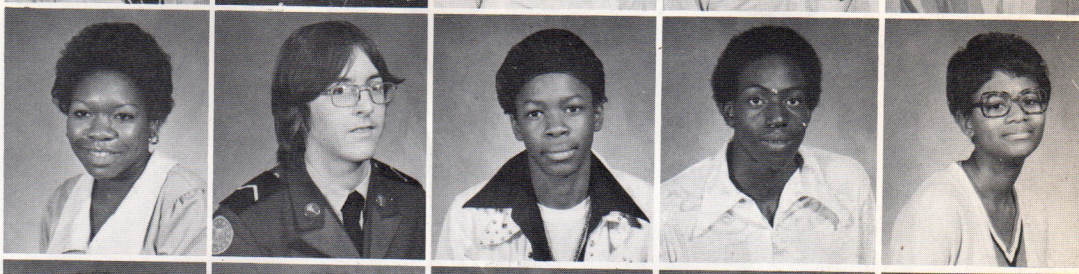

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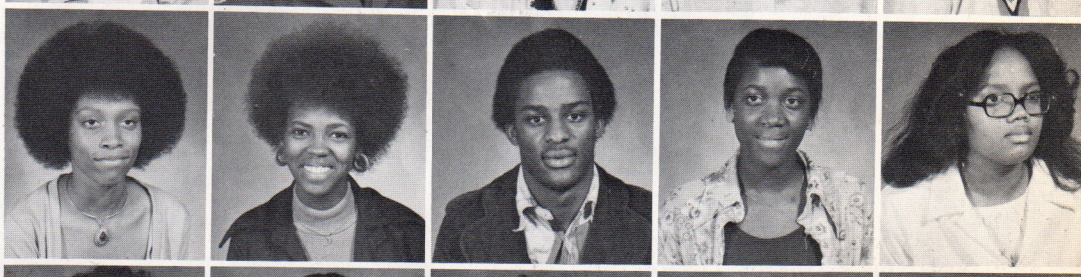

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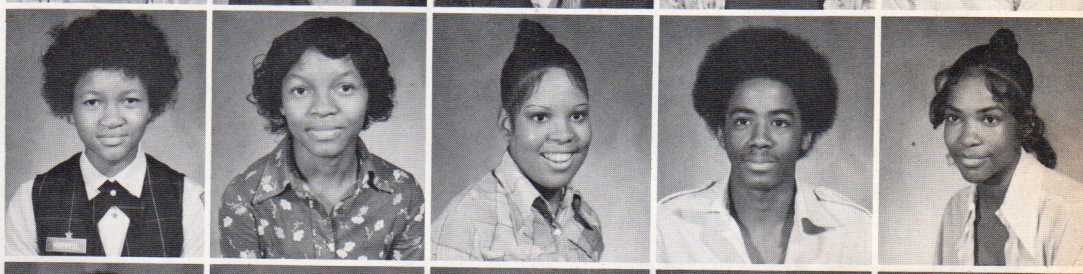

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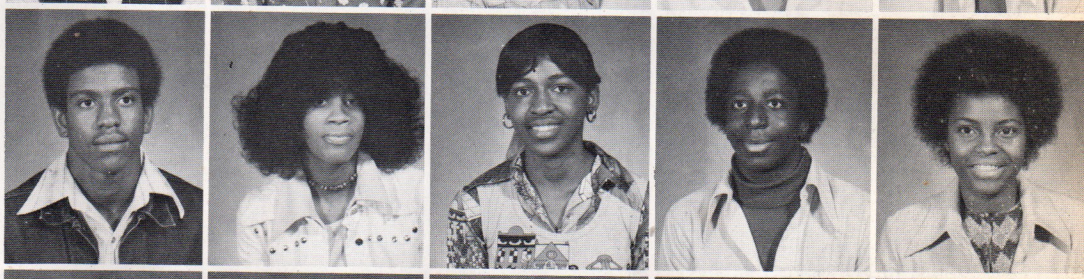

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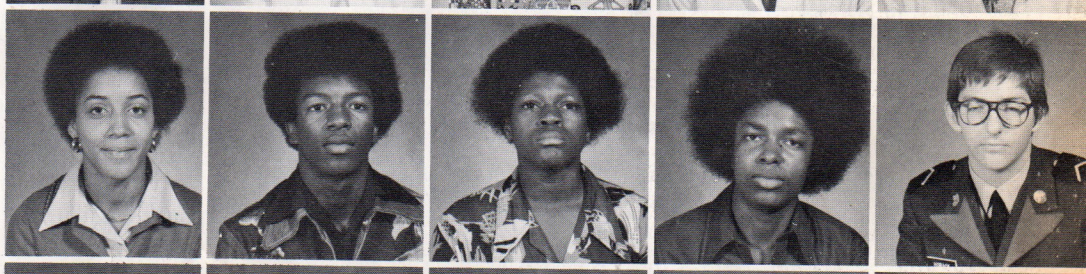

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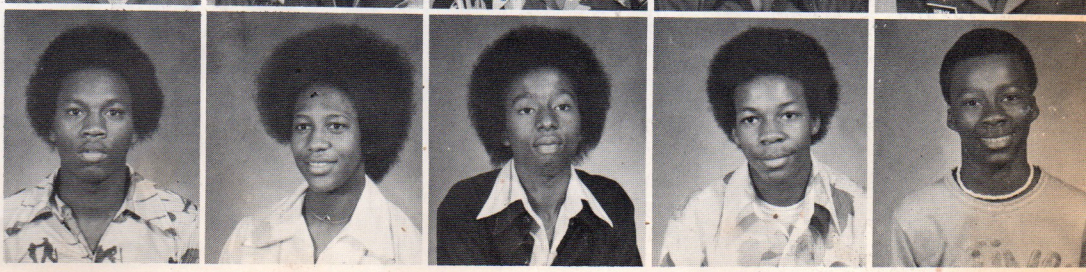

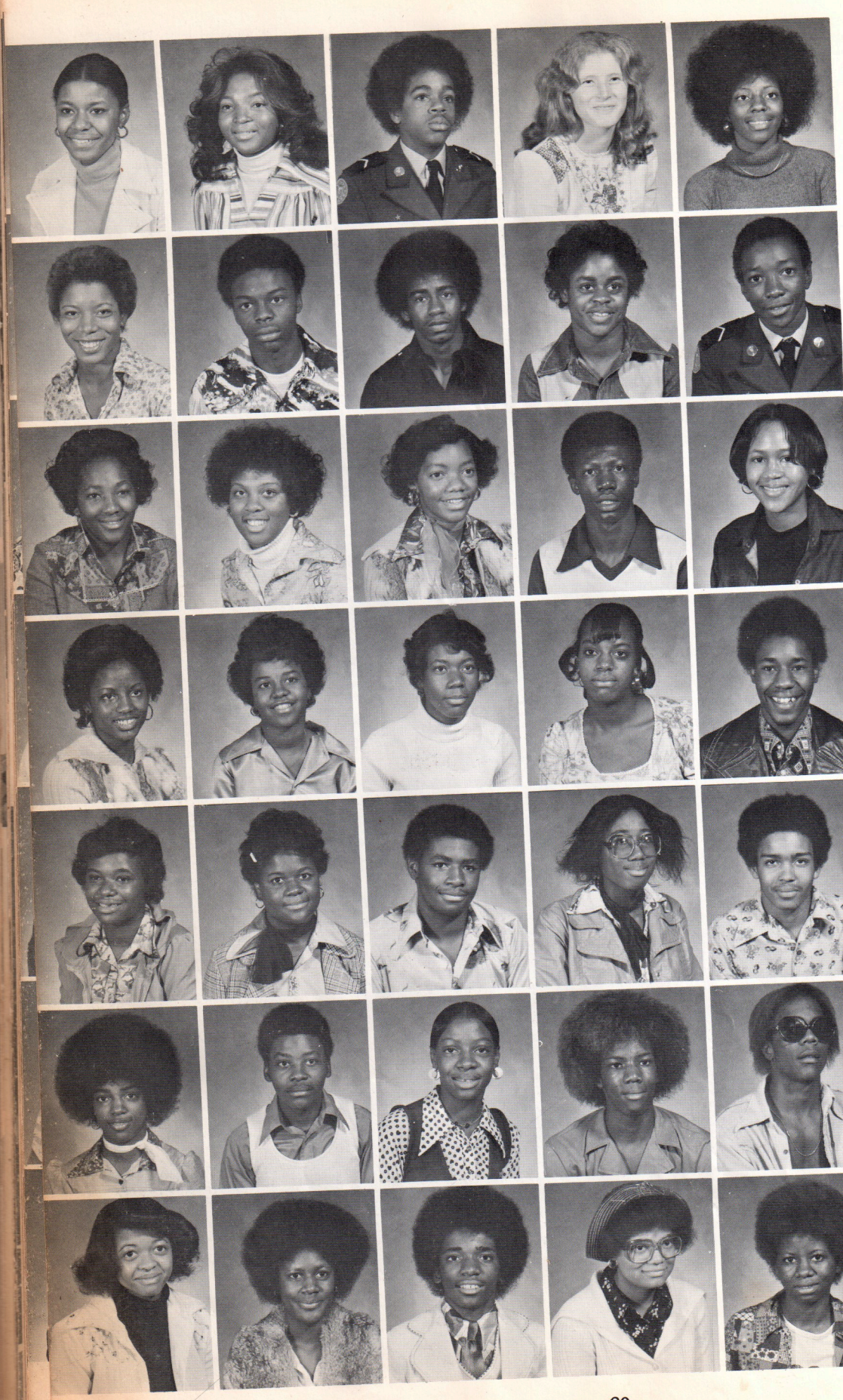

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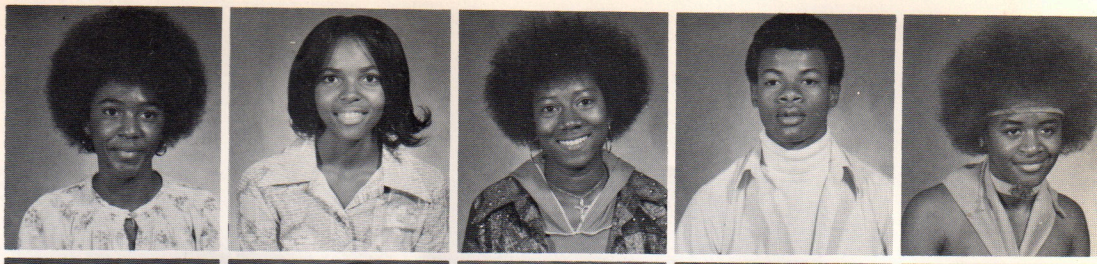

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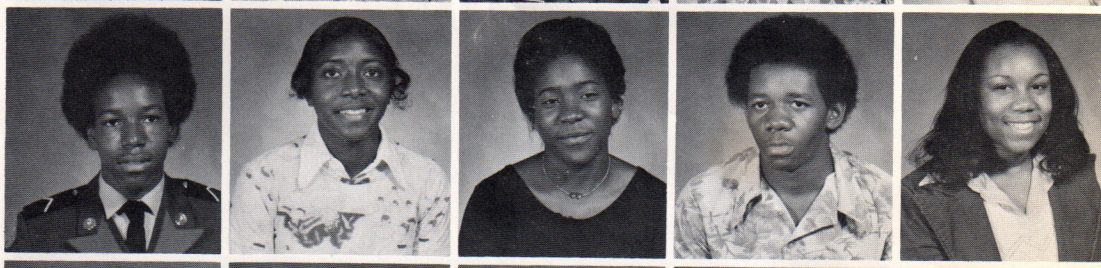

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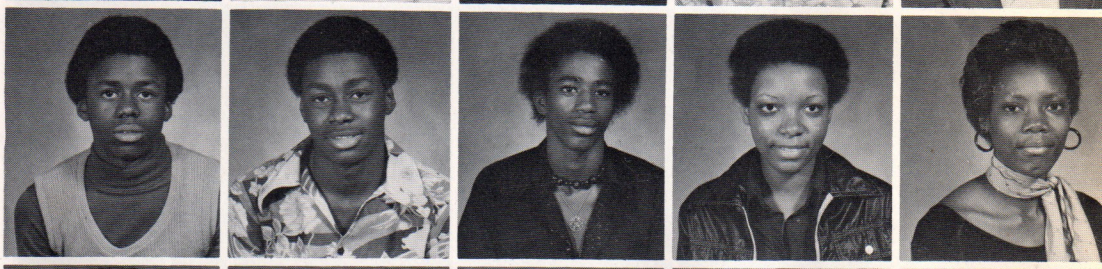

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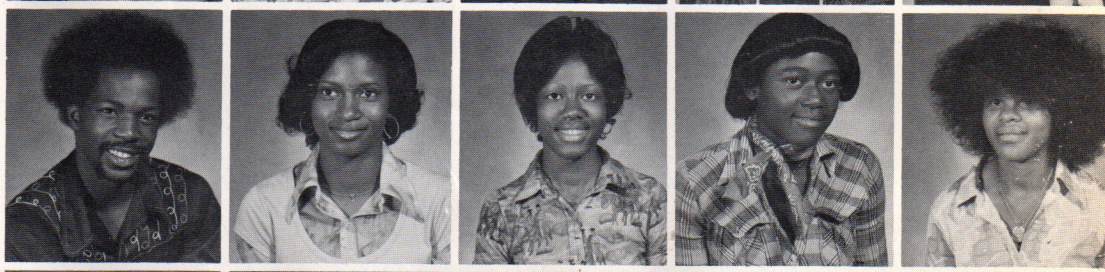

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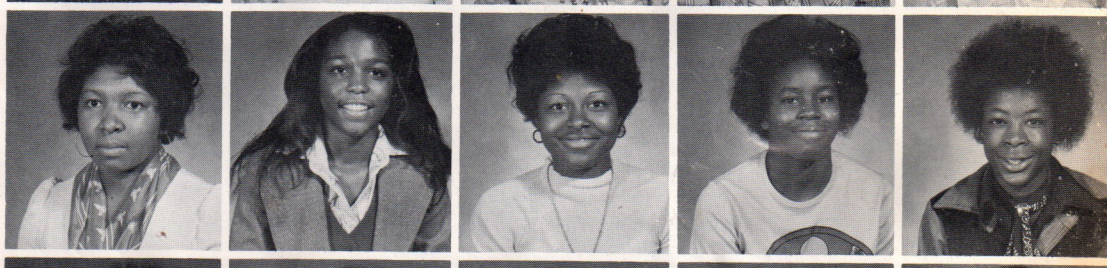

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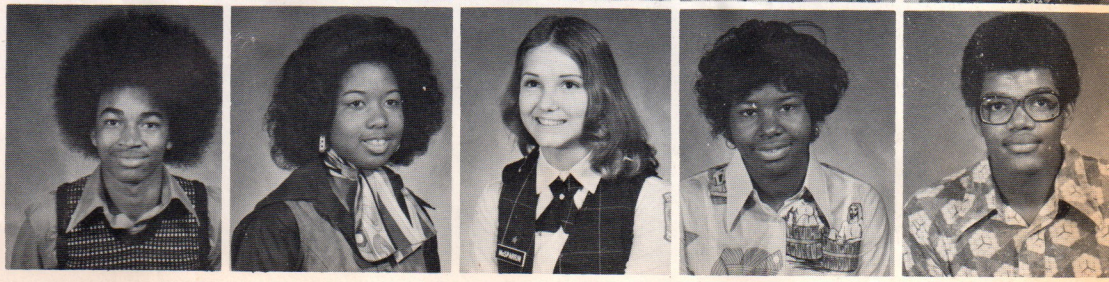



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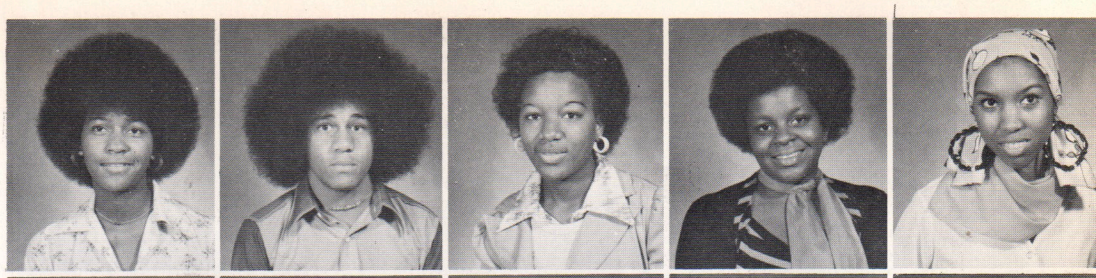

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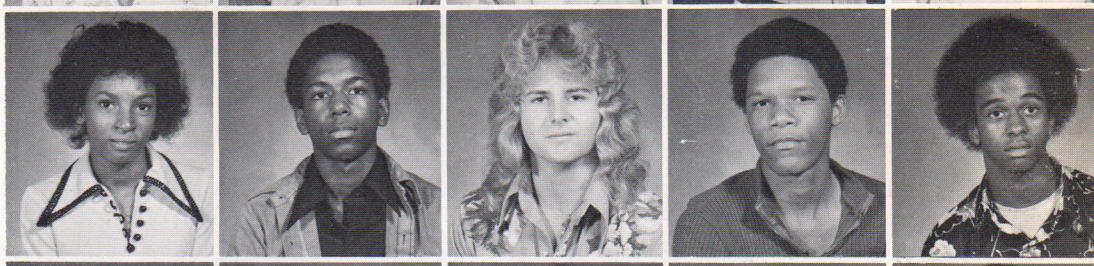

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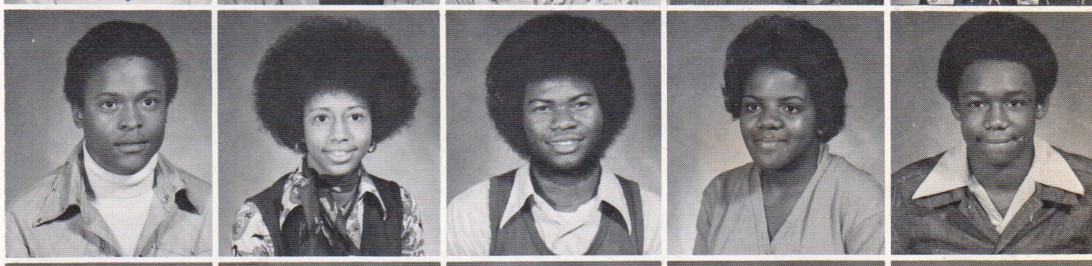

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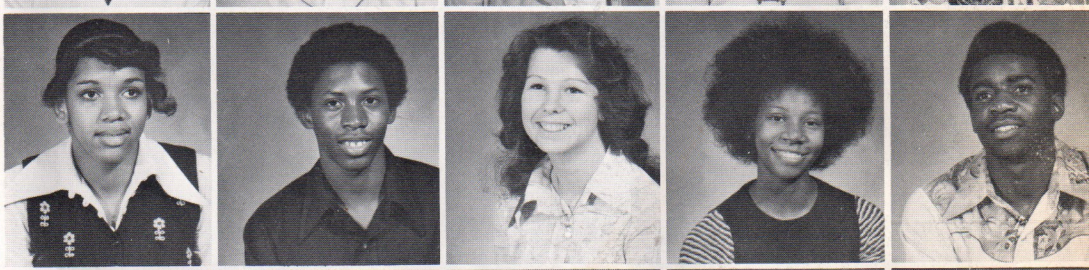

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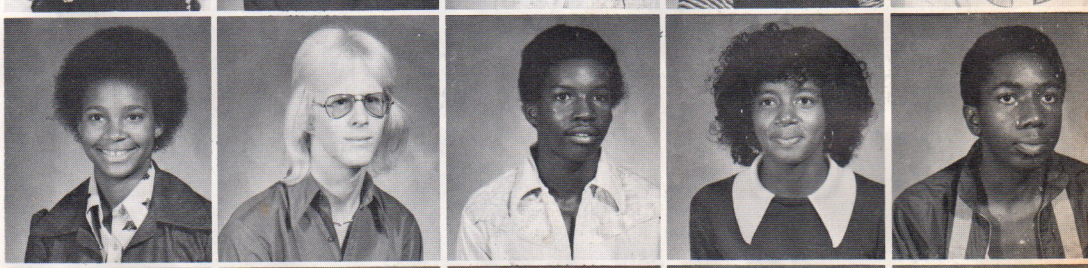

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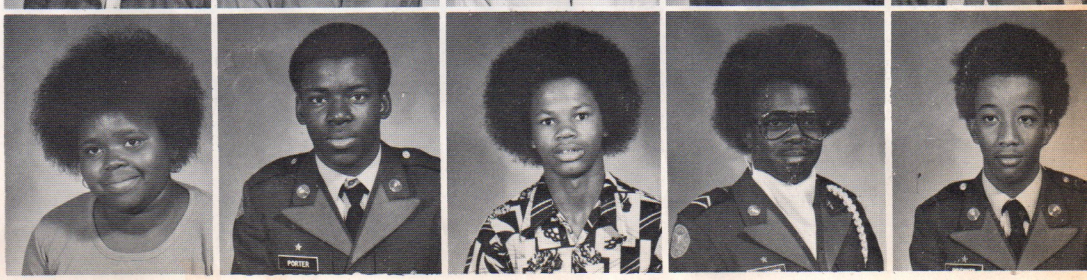

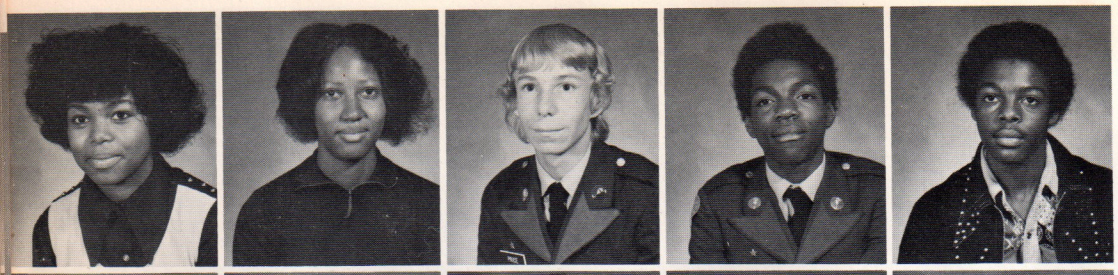

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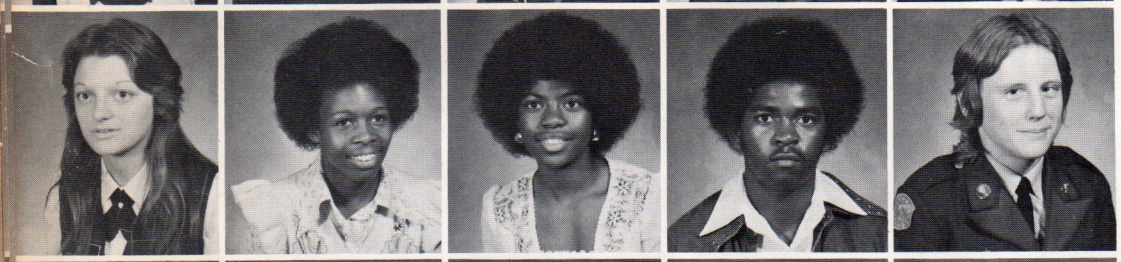

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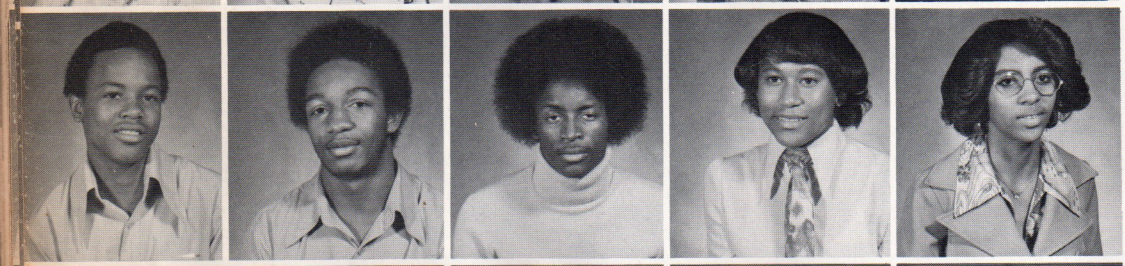

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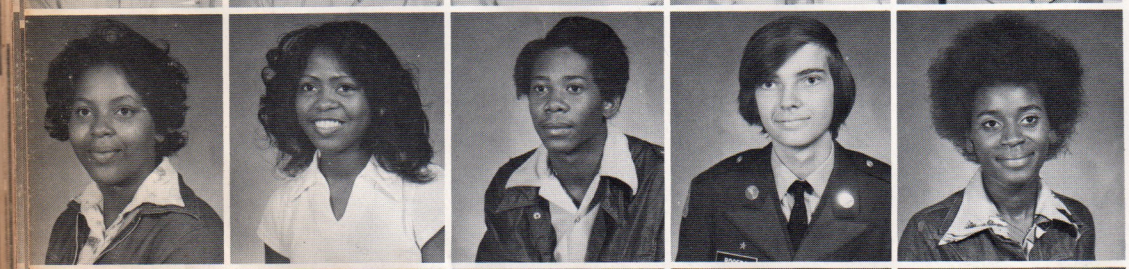

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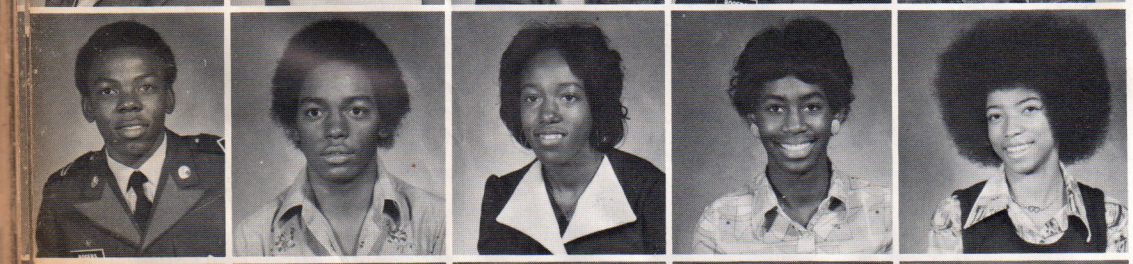

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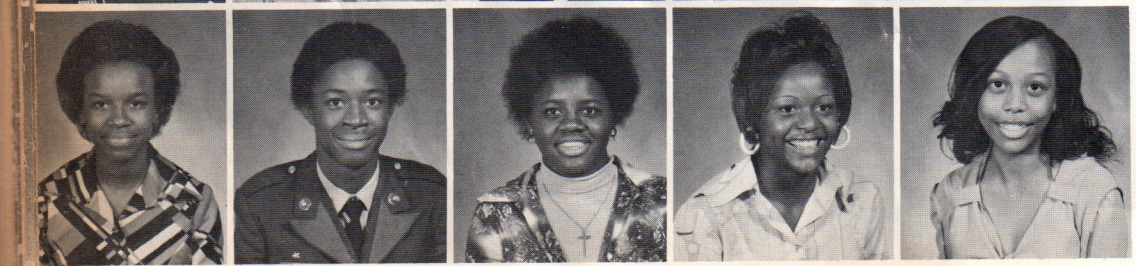

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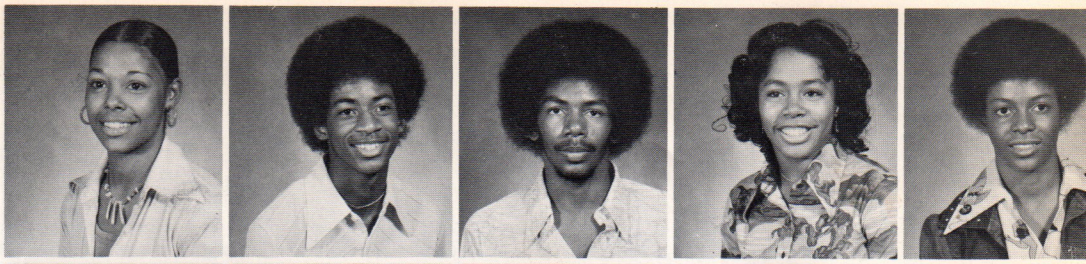

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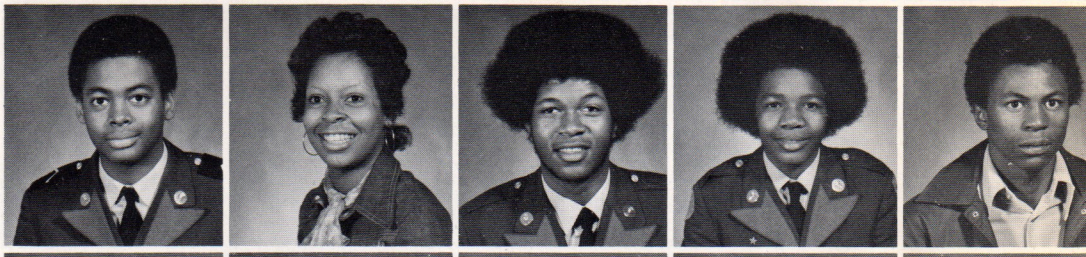

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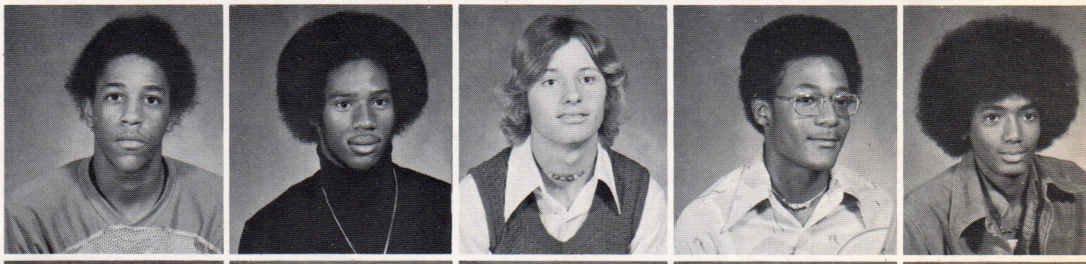

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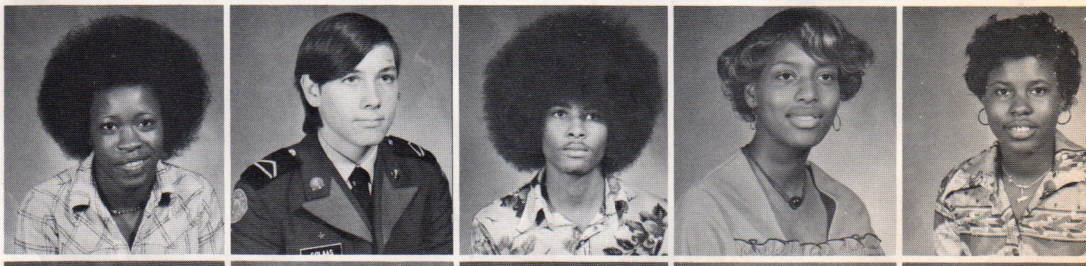

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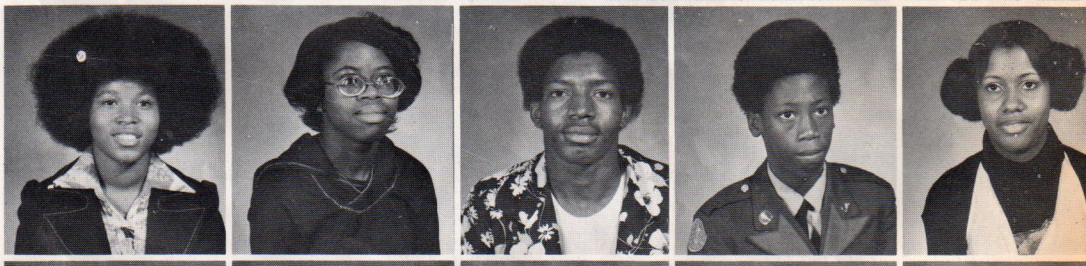

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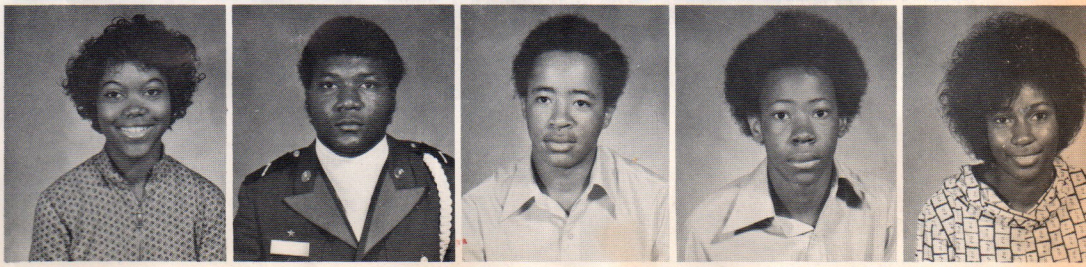

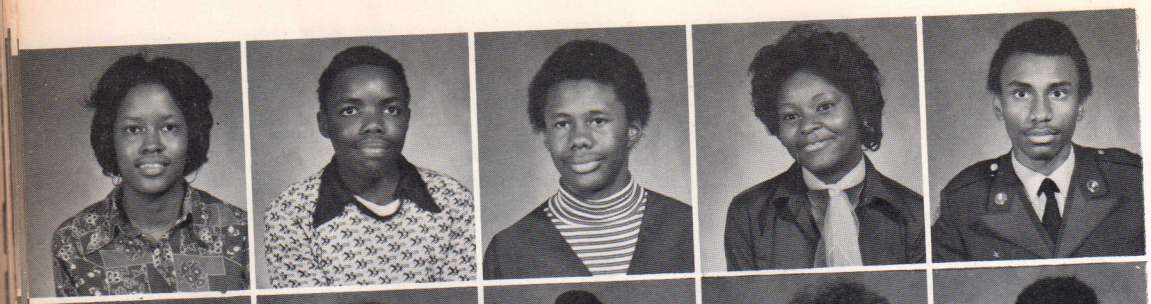

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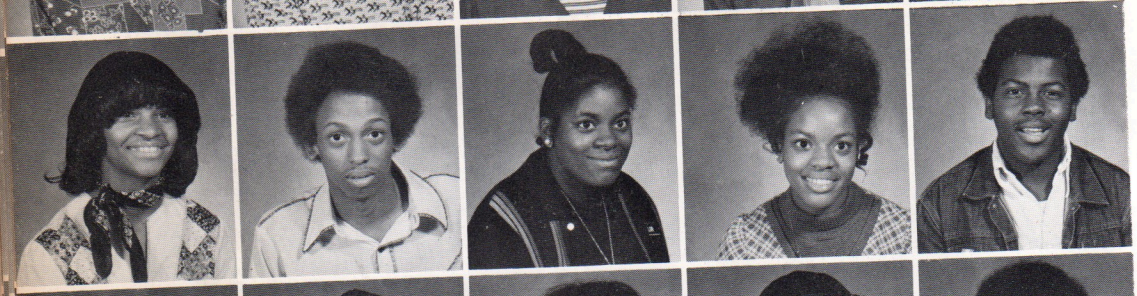

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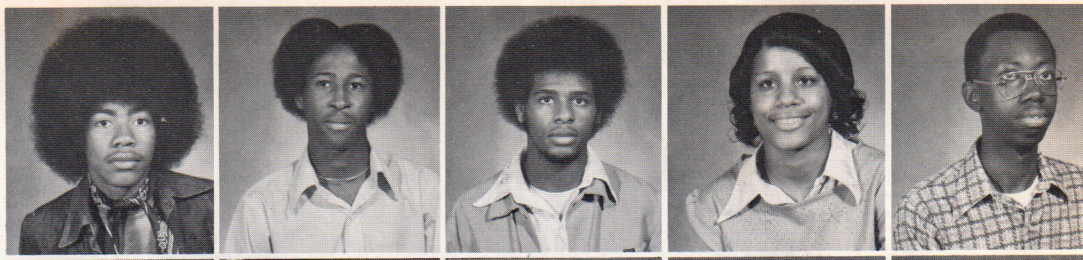

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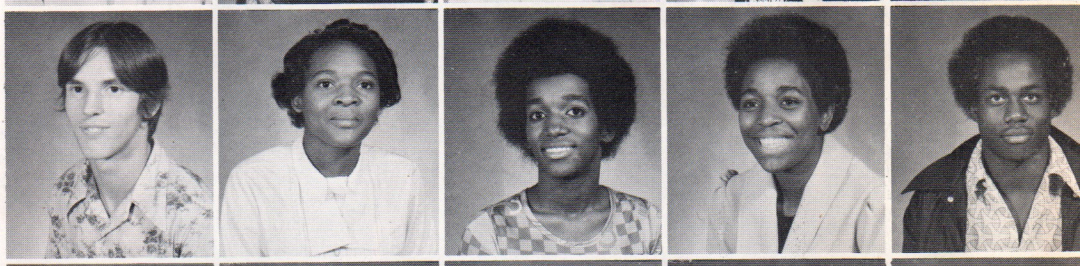

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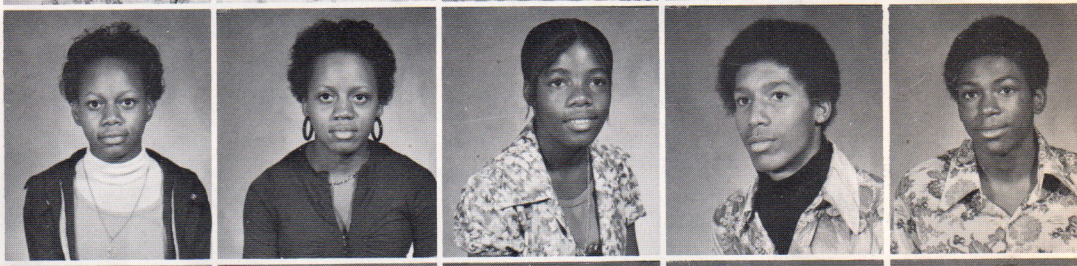

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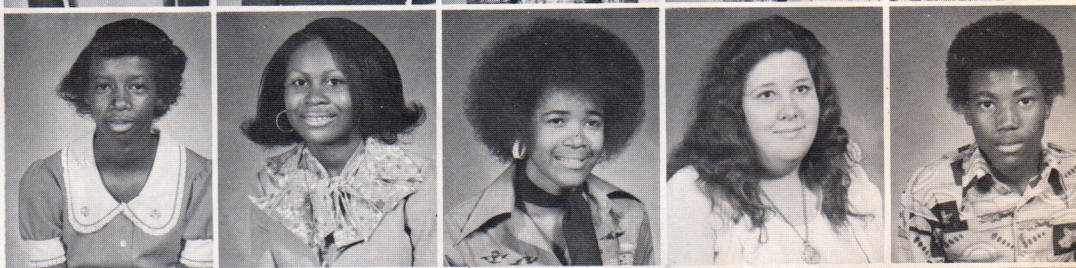

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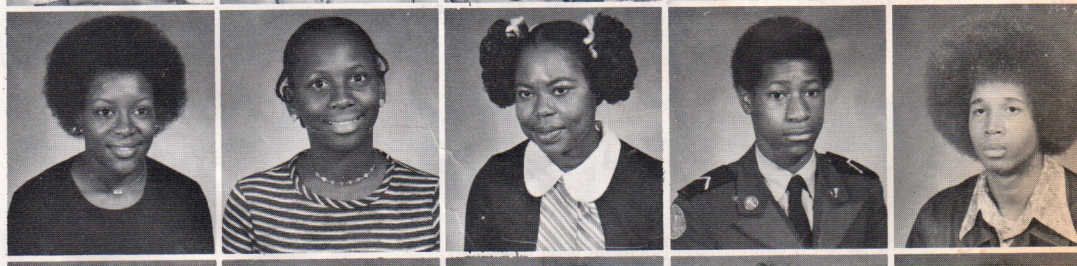

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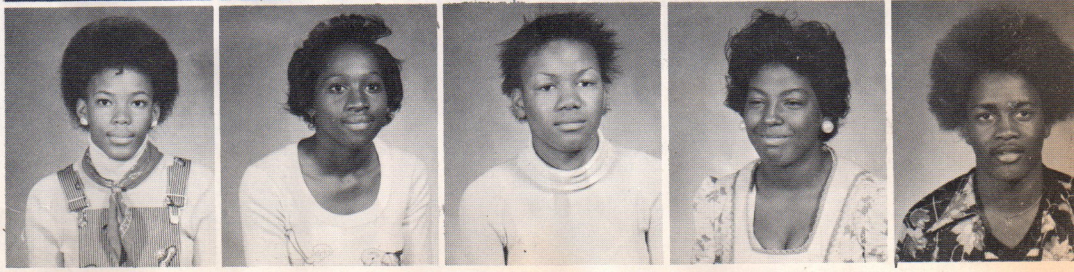

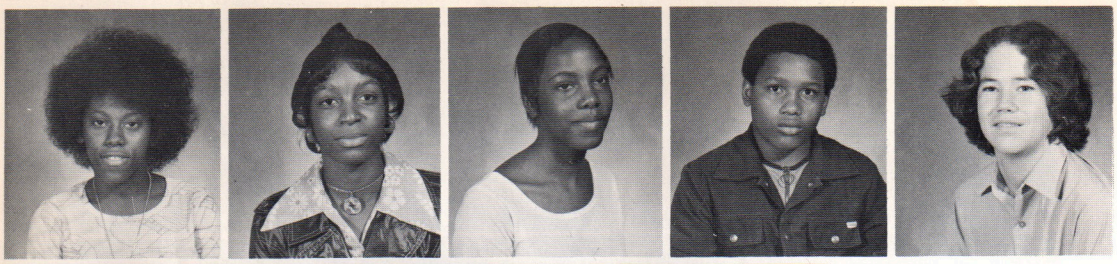

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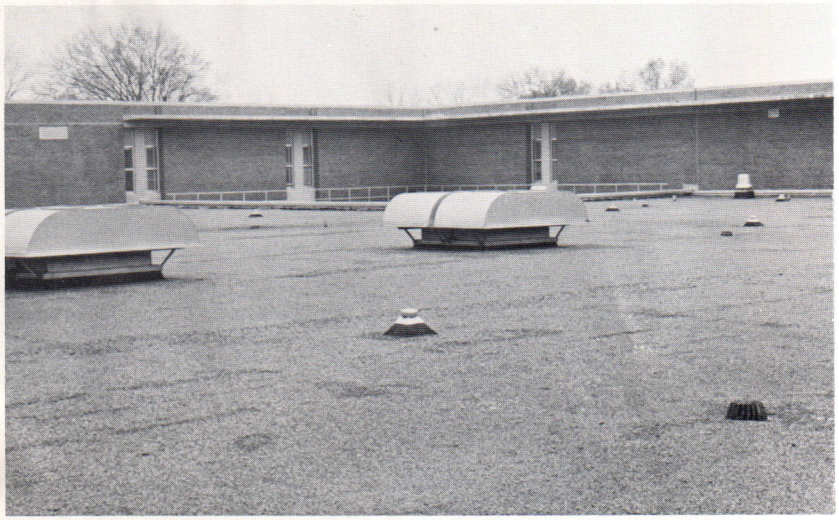



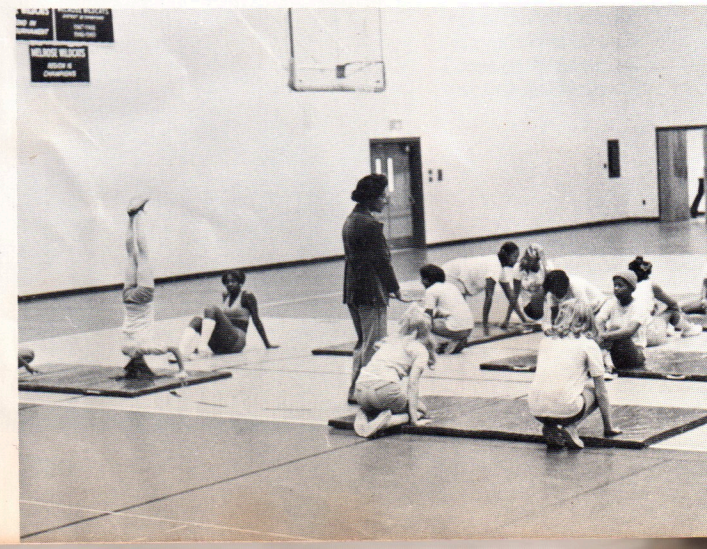

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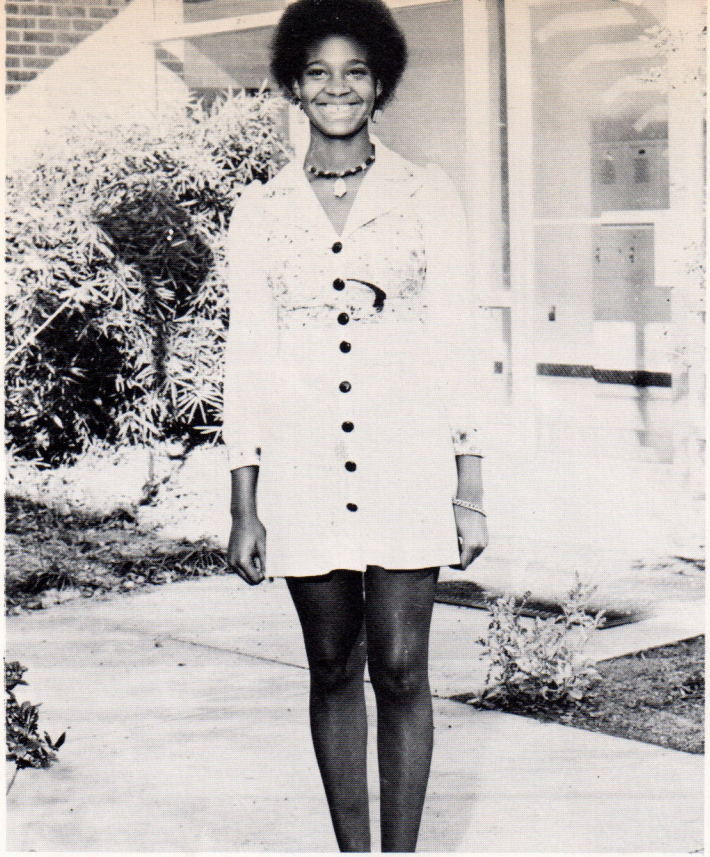

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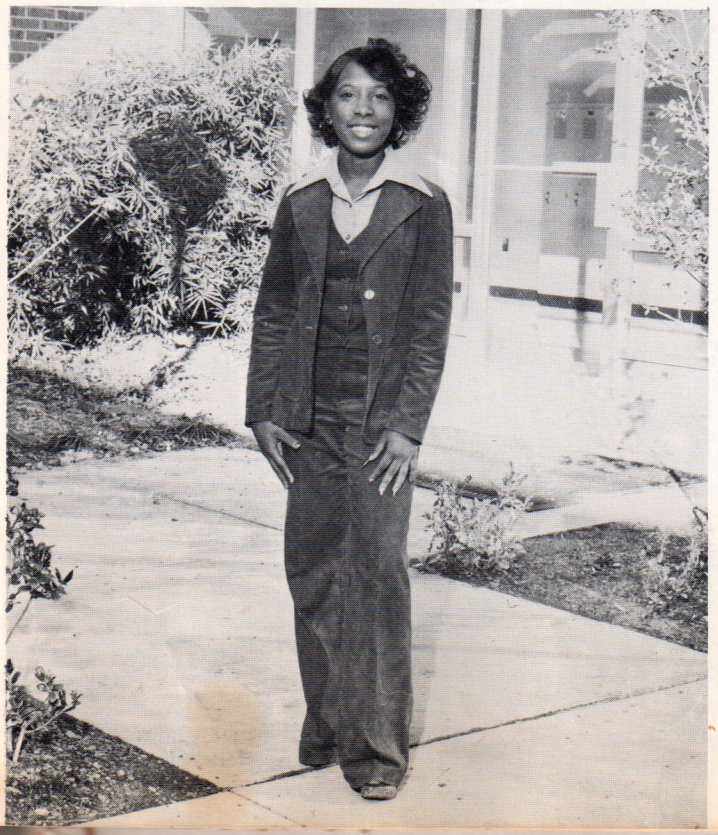

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All West Tenn./State Band
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Science Fair
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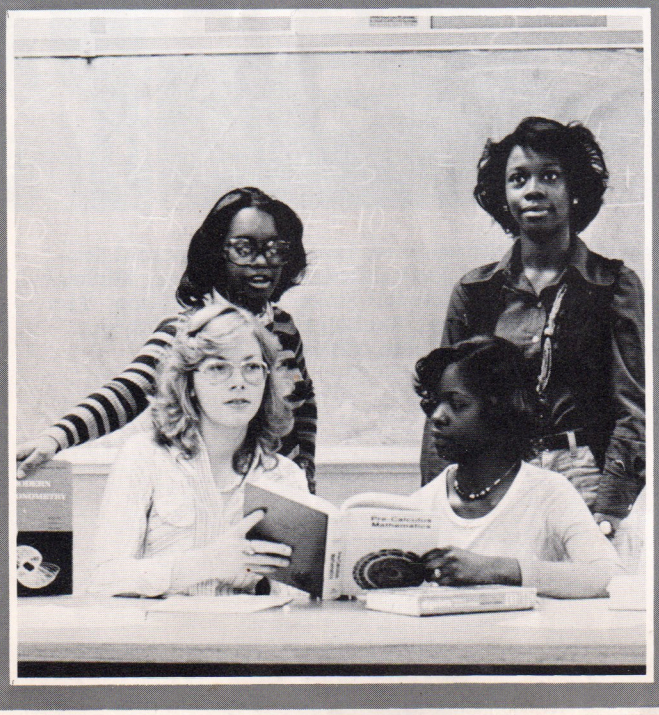
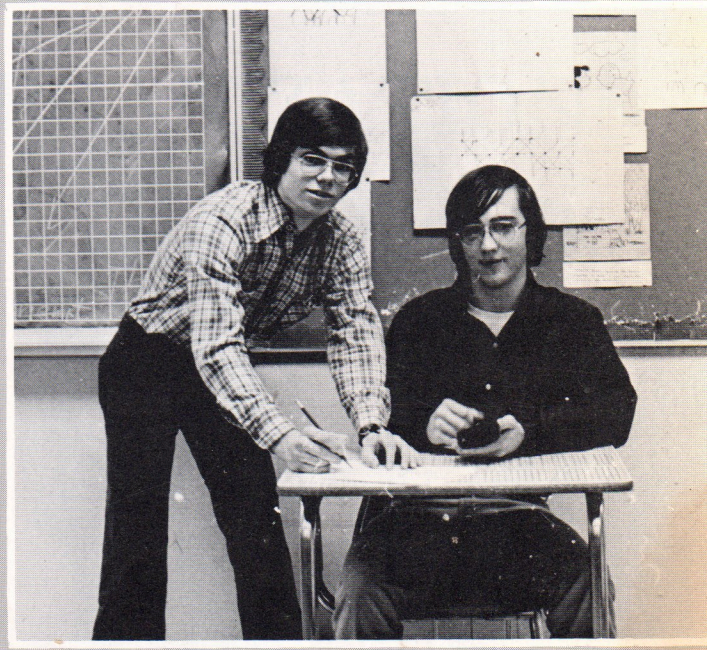
Prep School Participants
Lorian Hood, Gladys Nickleberry, Marlys Colson, Jewel Sykes





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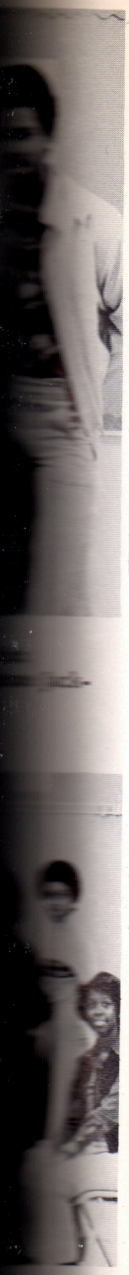

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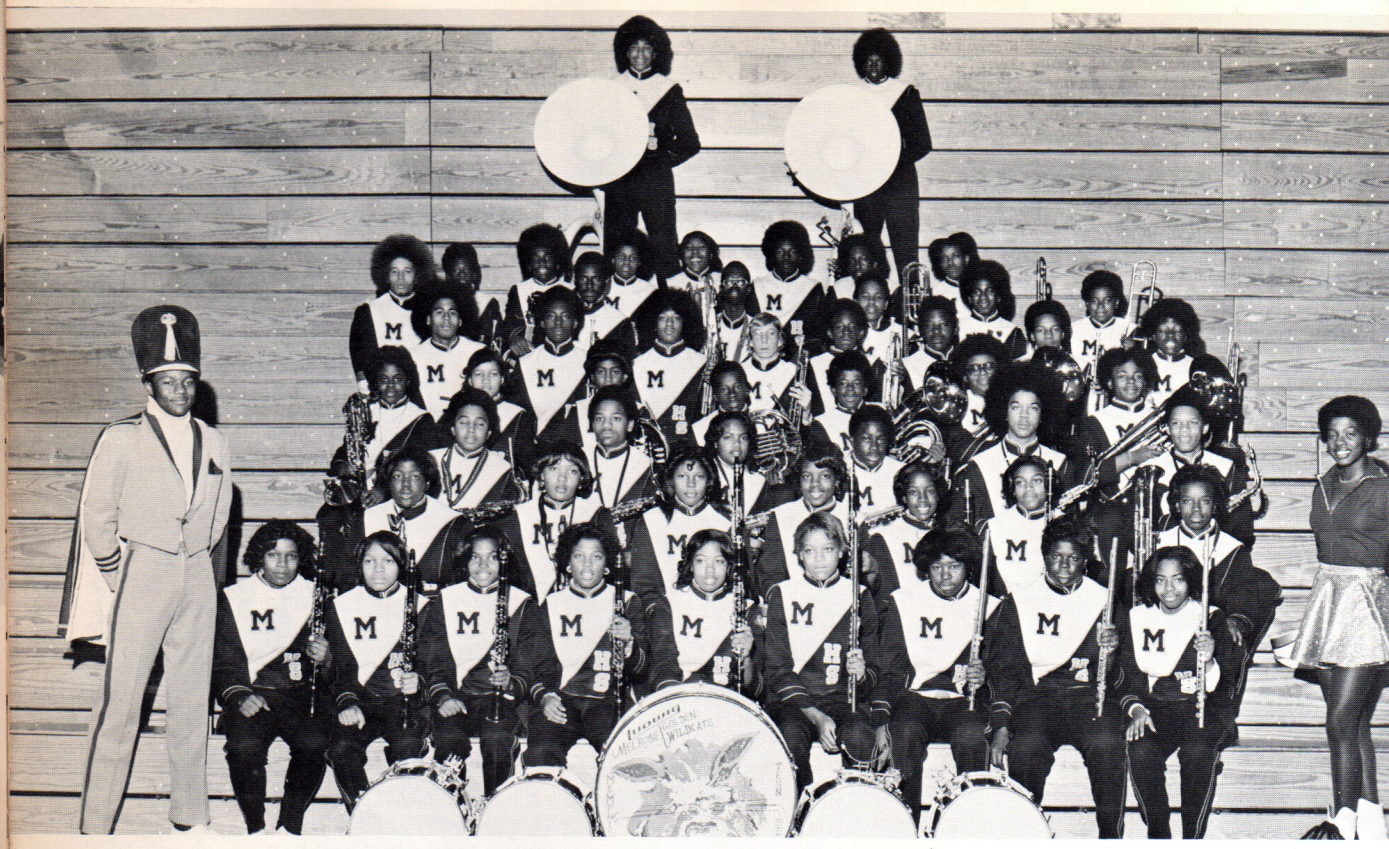

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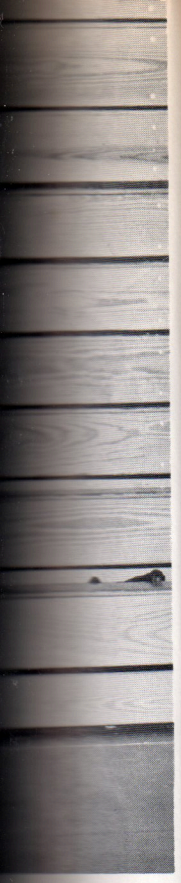



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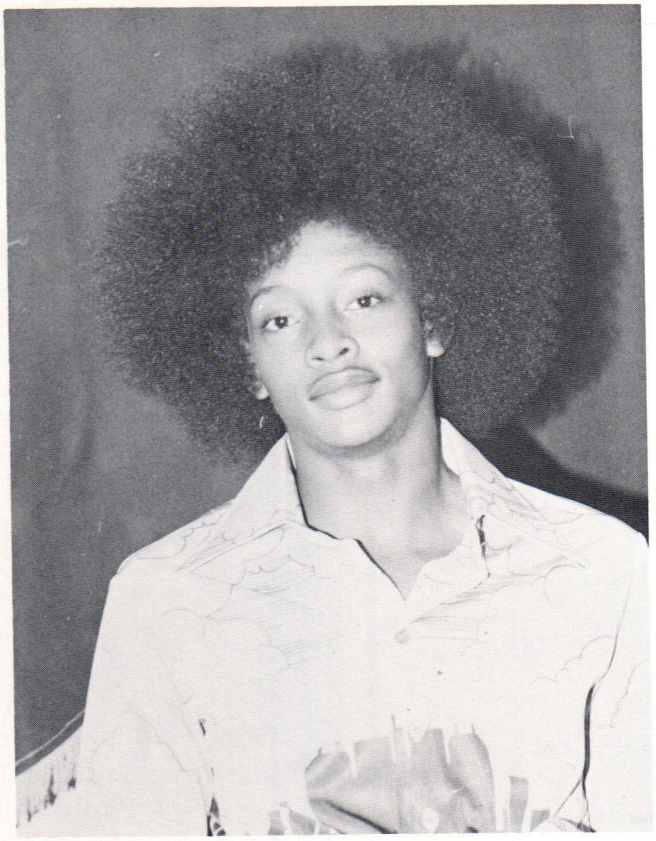

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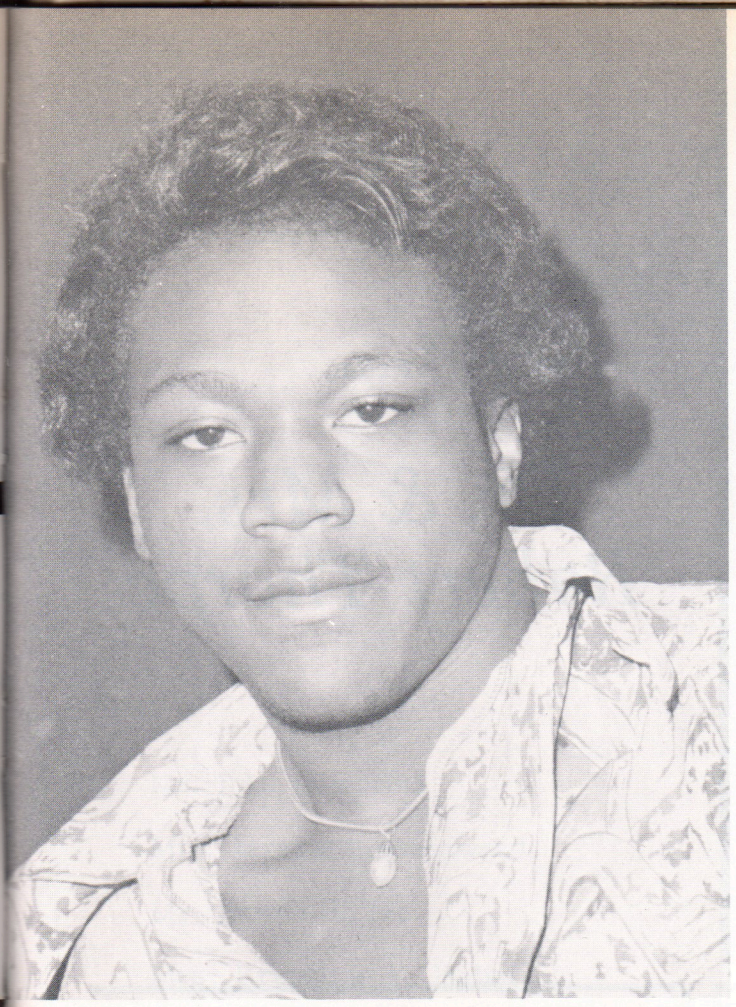

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Best wishes to you for your continued success and achievement in future endeavors.

Melvin K. Cooley

Principal

Dear Members of the Class of 1976,

To develop outstanding liberally educated young men and women is the FIRST purpose of Melrose High School--in fact, its reason for being. I therefore have only great expectations for you as citizens, as successful men and women in your chosen fields.

In looking over the list of the members of this class, I was grateful to discover that I know many of you personally--something of your talents, and something of what you've meant to Melrose. Those of you who sang in the choir, played on the athletic teams, or who served on one of the student government committees will be sorely missed.

I am, of course, immensely proud of those who received awards or scholarships. Each of you, by your performances can open doors for future students.

Through the years, I will pray for each of you. May your accomplishments in the years ahead be equal to your wonderful opportunities.

LaVaughn Bridges

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To the Senior Class:

In a short while you will be taking your place in society. Some of you will become successful and influential and others will not be as fortunate. This is life and has always been that way. Regardless of where you end up, remember you and only you are the masters of your own destiny.

I think Edgar A. Guest, in "It Couldn't Be Done", describes success very well:

Somebody said that it couldn't be done,
But he with a chuckle replied,
That "maybe it couldn't," but he would be the one
Who wouldn't say so till he'd tried.

So he buckled right in with the trace of a grin
On his face. If he worried he hid it.
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done, and he did it.

Seniors, I hope each and everyone of you has a meaningful life ahead of you. I have enjoyed being with you and am looking forward to seeing you again.

Donald D. Tillilie

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Graduates:

The opportunity for a high school education remains one of the greatest challenges, youth will ever face. To accept honestly this challenge, and face the basic problems inherent in it, is the way to establish a foundation upon which good living is achieved.

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To The Senior Class Of 1976:

Since I came to Melrose, three years ago, I have been engaged in many projects. These projects have shown me how to work with other people and more importantly how to work as a team.

One of the most demanding projects has been that of Editor-in-Chief of this annual. Although the staff has been small, I feel that they are dedicated. Many times when the job seemed to be too big, it was the energy of the staff that kept us going. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for all that they have done.

To Lorian Hood, Rhonda Scales, Randy Stoker and Sheeree Wirt; thank you all for the times we have had together and the tremendous work you have done. I hope that as we leave Melrose the bonds we have made will not be broken by the time or distance. I hope that the lessons we have learned about working with others will truely help us serve with pride and humility.

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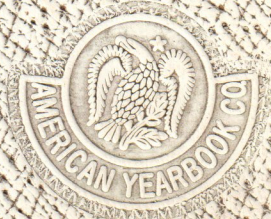
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WORLD EVENTS

1. **7/4/75 BILLIE JEAN KING BOWS OUT** — After winning her 6th straight Wimbledon Singles title she emphasized that this was her last major Singles competition.
2. **"JAWS" BIG MONEY-MAKER IN '75** — Here Roy Scheider and Robert Shaw battle mechanical shark during filming of movie.
3. **11/11/75 ANGOLA** — Soldiers of the Soviet-backed MPLA, the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola, fire weapons in the air in Luanda, welcoming Angolan independence from Portugal.



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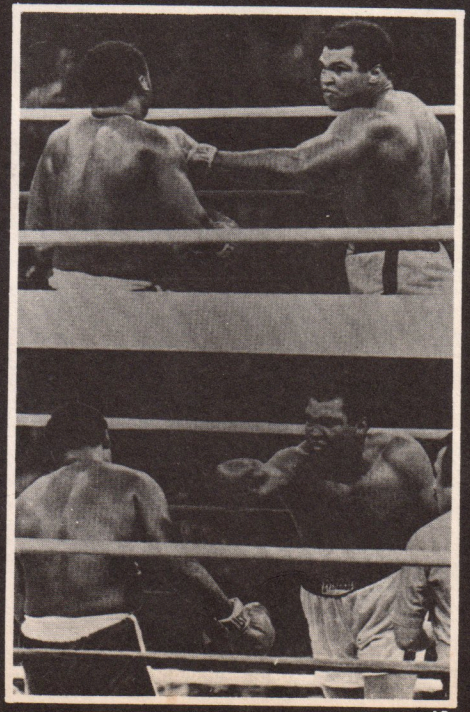
4. **7/6/75 HOFFA MISSING** — James P. Hoffa and Barbara Grancer, children of missing ex-Teamster boss James R. Hoffa, announced the posting of a reward for information revealing the whereabouts of their father. Hoffa vanished July 30.
5. **12/11/75 PATTY HEARST ARRESTED** — Patricia Hearst is shown on her way to San Francisco and an appearance in federal court concerning charges of federal bank robbery.
6. **12/2/75 PEKING TOURISTS** — President and Mrs. Ford, escorted by Vice Premier Li Hsien-nien, left, visit the Temple of Heaven Grounds during the second day of their China tour.
7. **11/29/75 NEW SUPREME COURT JUSTICE** — U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals Judge John Paul Stevens is shown with his wife, Elizabeth, after being nominated by President Ford to fill the vacancy on the Supreme Court of the United States.
8. **6/12/75 CONVICTED** — In June Prime Minister Indira Gandhi of India was convicted of winning her 1971 election to Parliament illegally. However, in November the Supreme Court erased the conviction.
9. **1/9/76 CHOU-EN-LAI DIES** — All Tokyo afternoon papers display portrait of Chou-En-lai in reporting the death of the Chinese Premier.
10. **10/1/75 THRILLA' FROM MANILA** — Muhammed Ali delivers left and right to head of Joe Frazier in the 14th round of their title fight in Manila. Moments later Ali was declared winner.
11. **10/8/75 VISITING EMPEROR** — Emperor Hirohito of Japan signs guest book at Disneyland during first visit to United States. Empress Nagako and Mickey Mouse look on.
12. **6/30/75 NEW U.N. AMBASSADOR** — Daniel Moynihan became the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations. He is shown casting a negative vote in the U.N. General Assembly, November 10, on a resolution to label Zionism "a form of racism and racial discrimination."



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