

Jack Woodside is known as one of the finest basketball players in Albert Lea history. He captained his team to an outstanding 14-3 record in his senior year. As an individual he set the career scoring record at 322 career points and averaged 18.5 points per game his senior year. He was named to the 1954 Basketball All Conference Team. Jack also played shortstop for the baseball team.

Jack attended Mankato State and played on the varsity basketball team and intramural baseball. He played baseball for the Albert Lea Packers and in 1955 was offered a professional contract to play baseball. Jack served in the U.S. Navy from 1957 – 59. He was inducted into the Freeborn County Hall of Fame (1988).