

Mike Petersen Class of 1987

Mike Petersen graduated from Albert Lea High School in 1987, holding many accomplishments as a member of the Albert Lea Tigers boys' basketball team. His junior season he averaged 20.15 points per game, and 20.27 points per game his senior season with both numbers led the Big Nine Conference. His career total of 970 points was the individual scoring record at the time, without benefiting from the three point shot you see today. His 446 points scored in his senior season is sixth all-time and 403 points his junior year is tenth all-time. Petersen is second alltime in field goals with 399, tied for second in field goals in one game with 15 shots made out of 20 attempts'. His field goal percentage was 61.4 % for his career which ranks first all-time. He ranks first and third in top field goal percentage for a single year, set in his junior and senior seasons. His 74.7% free throw percentage for his career is also the highest for the Tigers. He was a co-captain for the Tigers in 1987 and was First Team All-Conference in his junior and senior seasons. He made the WCCO Radio Prep Parade All-State team and the USA Today All-American Honorable Mention in 1987. He played in the Minnesota State All-Star game where he was the leading scorer and was a top ten finalist for Mr. Basketball in 1987. Mike also lettered in tennis four times for the Tigers.