



Don Kropp

50, as in 5-0. 50, as in five decades. 50, as in a half century. Don Kropp actually coached 53 years for the Albert Lea Tigers starting back in 1967. Don coached for 25 years in the junior high football program, and 30 years in the junior high track and field program, all the while continuing to help with the varsity track and field team. Over the years, Don coached five individual conference champions, two State place winners, two Section champions, and several school record holders.

Don came to Albert Lea after graduating from Winona State where he was a multi-year letter winner in track, shot put, and discus. Don's freshman coach at Winona State was also his son Michael's freshman coach at Winona State years later.

Don and his wife Judy raised their three sons, Michael, Jeff, and Bill in Albert Lea where they are active as volunteers in several local groups.

Congratulations and Thank You Coach Kropp.