

Gloria Jean McAllister Wood
Inducted June 24, 2011

Athlete – Class of 1986

Gloria McAllister played four years of varsity basketball, three years of track and field and one year of softball. She was a team captain in basketball and softball.

Gloria was twice selected as an IAC First Team All-Star in basketball and was named the team MVP in her senior year. She was selected as an IAC First Team All-Star in softball even though she only played a single season. In track, she continues to hold the MCS school record in the long jump twenty-five years after her graduation.

Gloria especially excelled in basketball. She was the first Marathon female to score 1,000 points. Her career total of 1,055 stood as the school record until it was broken by her daughter, Casie, in 2006. Not just a scorer, she was an unusually talented floor general who had the ability to dominate play as evidenced by her career totals of 266 rebounds, 208 assists and 106 steals. Gloria led the IAC in scoring in her senior season with an average of 14.7 points-per-game. Her performance led her team to Marathon's first appearance in an IAC girls basketball title game.

Gloria remains a Marathon resident where she maintains her love of basketball by coaching girls teams in summer leagues.