

BAXTER SEMINARY CLASS OF 1952
CELEBRATES 60 YEAR REUNION

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COOKEVILLE – THE Baxter Seminary Class of 1952 had its 60th reunion dinner at Nick's Restaurant in Cookeville on May 19. the class had 60 members, but due to the death of 16 members, ill health of many, missing addresses of several, and a great deal of scattering of the class to many states, Cuba, and San Paulo, only seven of them were able to attend the dinner: Betty Wheaton Maxwell, Bob Dale Maxwell, Frank Bain, Helen Stout Palmer, Ernest Dyer, Louise Dyer Flatt, and Bill Flatt. Three from other classes were also present: Dan Maxwell, Onelia Maxwell, and George Palmer, who came with his wife, Helen, from Dearborn, MI.

The program consisted of good food, shared memories from Bill Flatt and the groups, and visiting the display table that include yearbooks, football sweaters and jerseys and a program from the 1950 homecoming game against Gordonsville. Ernest Dyer read words from two songs we used to sing in chapel at the Seminary.

Four men were present from Baxter's two undefeated football teams in 1950 and 1951: Frank Bain, co-captain, Bob Dale Maxwell, Ernest Dyer, and Bill Flatt. Our senior year in the fall of 1951, we held six of the teams we played scoreless, while the other four teams scored one touchdown each. All total, we scored 353 points, the opposition, 26. Harry Maxwell, unable to be present, scored 127 points, only five points behind the state leader, Johnny Majors, who went on to become an all-American and a successful coach at the University of Tennessee. Pat Fields and Robert Pippin were also excellent runners for us. Bob Dale Maxwell was our excellent quarterback and leading scorer on the basketball team which won the district during the regular season.

The night ended with prolonged visiting and many well wishes.

As we left, we carried with us the words of our school motto: Truth, honor, loyalty, and service – words that are street names on the campus of Upperman High School in Baxter and were quoted by Upperman's principal, Herbert Leftwich, during their graduation exercise on May 18.

*Read more about Baxter Seminary, Baxter, Putnam Co., TN at: <http://www.ajlambert.com>



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Class of 1952 members who attended the recent reunion, from left, are Bob Dale Maxwell, Betty Wheaton Maxwell, Frank Bain, Bill Flatt, Louise Dyer Flatt, Ernest Dyer, and Helen Stout Palmer.



BETTY WHEATON MAXWELL

'She is the rival of knowledge'

Livingston Academy 2; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; President 4; Annual Staff 4;
Editor: Quill & Scroll 4; International Club 3, 4; Secretary 4; Attendant
to Football Queen 3, 4; Glee Club 4; Class Honor Student 3; Bausch and
Lomb Science Award 4.



LOUISE DYER FLATT

'Always a smile even when there's rain'

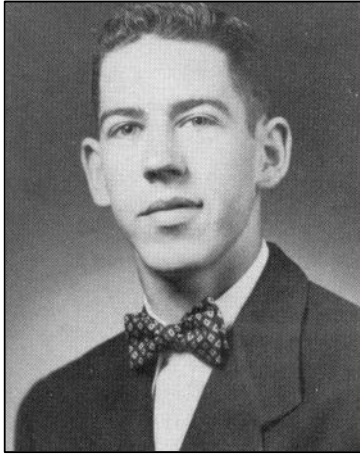
Science Club 4; Business Club 4; Beta Club
4; Annual Staff 4.



HELEN STOUT PALMER

'Affable and Studious'

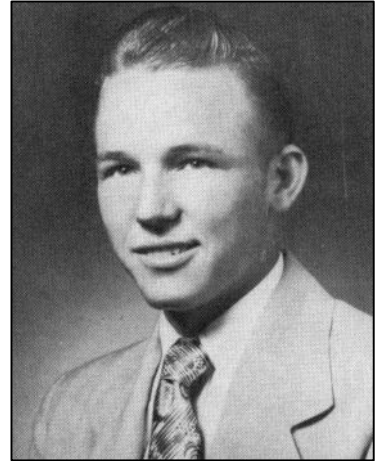
Y.M.C.A. 1, 2, 3,4; Allied Youth 2, 3, 4;
Business Club 4.



BOB DALE MAXWELL

'Thank goodness he has no twin'

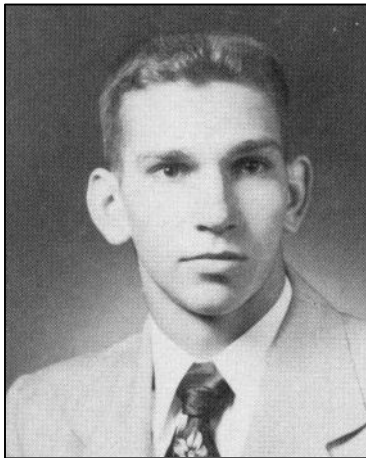
Football 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; B-Letter Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Beta Club, 2, 3, 4; Treasurer 4; International Club 2, 3; Who's Who 2, 3.



BILL FLATT

'I cannot love one girl, I love them all'

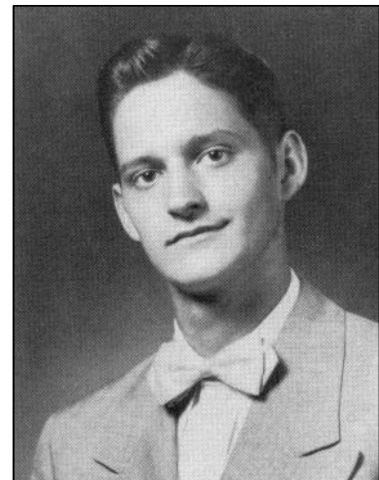
Class Vice President 4; Football 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4; Who's Who 4; B-Letter Club 3, 4; FFA 3, 4; Vice President 4; Treasurer 3; Allied Youth 3, 4; President 4.



FRANK BAIN

'The first sign of love is the last of wisdom'

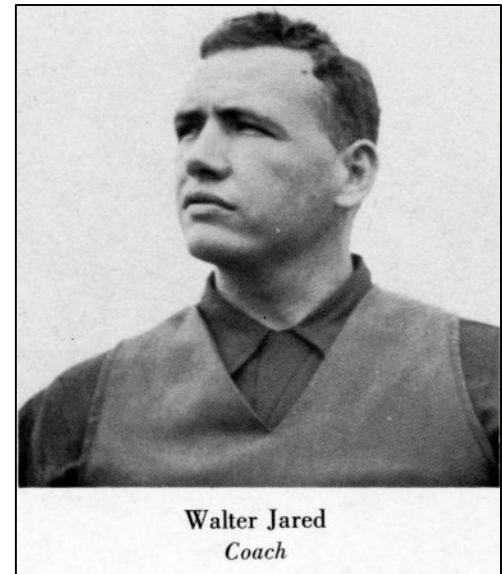
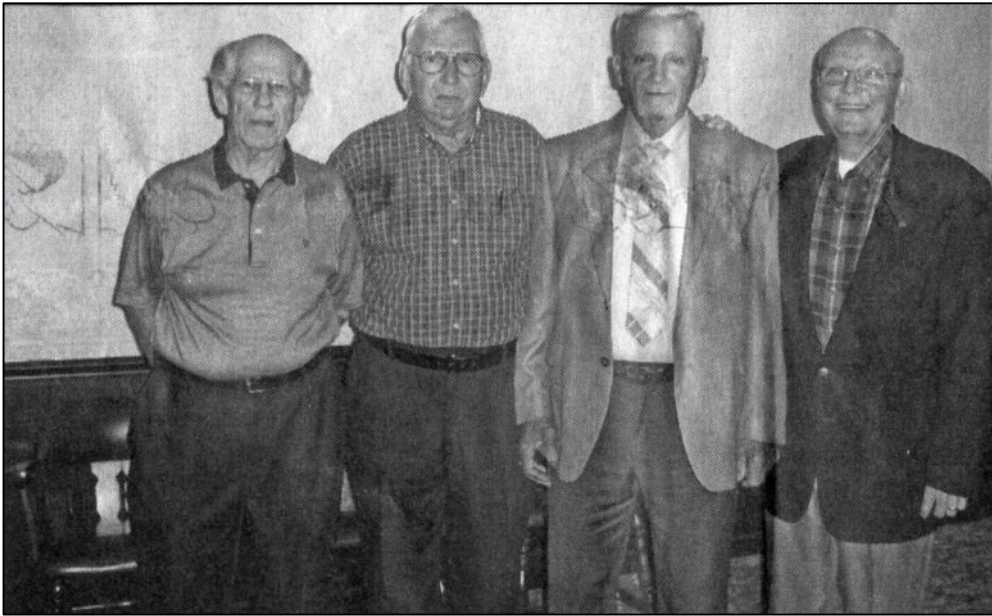
Class President 3; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Co-Captain 4; Basketball 3; B-Letter Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Beta Club 3, 4; Science Club 1, 2, 3, 4; President 4; Vice President 3; Business Club 3, 4; Who's Who 4.



ERNEST DYER

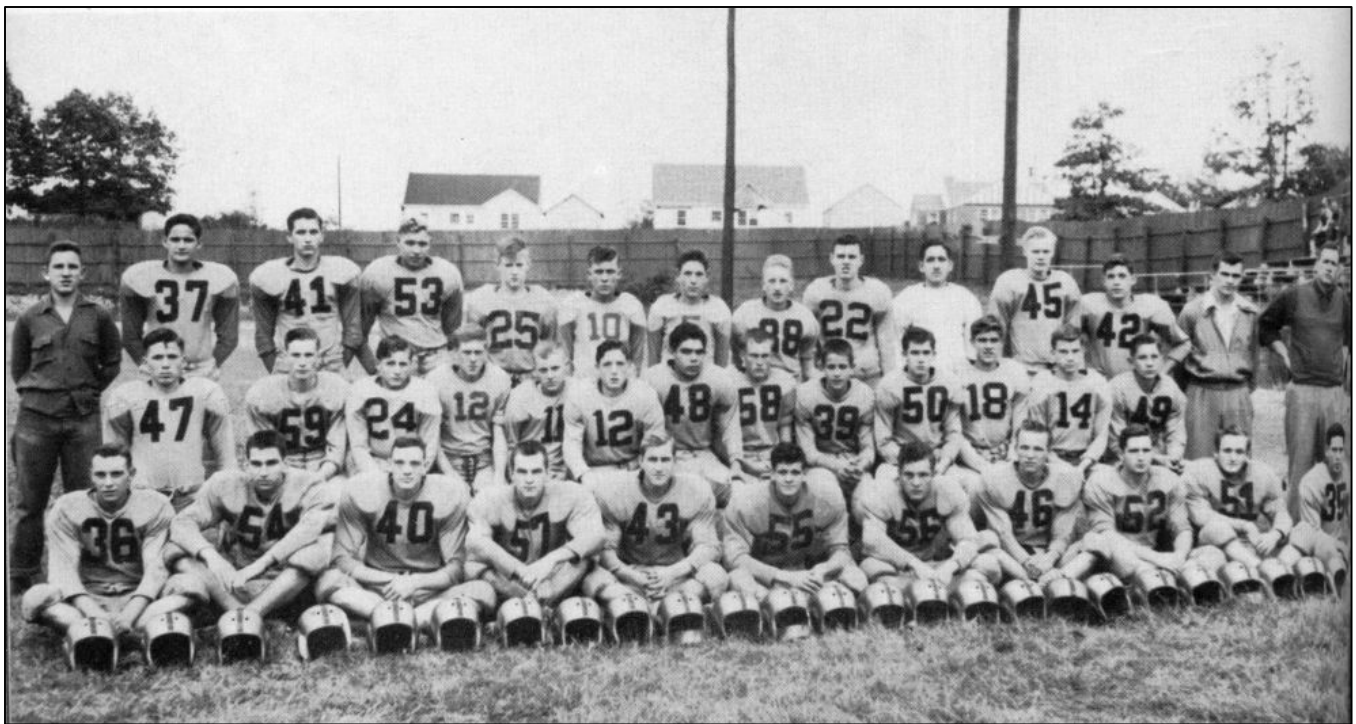
'For friendliness he can't be beat'

T&I Club 2, 3, 4; Treasurer 3, 4; FFA Basketball; Business Club 4; B-Letter Club; Football 4; Glee Club 4; Allied Youth 4; Who's Who 4.



Walter Jared
Coach

Football team members, from left, are Bob Dale Maxwell, Frank Bain, Ernest Dyer and Bill Flatt.



BAXTER SEMINARY'S 1952 UNDEFEATED FOOTBALL TEAM

Front row, left to right: Harry Maxwell, Frank Bain, Bud Wheaton, Doyle Starnes, Johnny Ray Phillips, Jimmie Garrison, Larry Brown, Bill Flatt, Pat Fields, Robert Pippin, Bob Dale Maxwell.

Second row: Albert Stewart, Herman Keith, Glen Goggins, Bobby Lewis, Earl Flynn, Owen D. Carr, Edmundo Santiesteban, Dee Fisher, Bobby Campbell, Tommy Hall, Bud Alcorn, Bill Cunningham, Ervin Herd.

Third row: Mgr. Fred Anderson, Ernest Dyer, Layton Way, Charles Spears, Joe Nichols, Lehman Brown, Horace Maxwell, Clarence Huddleston, Harold Fike, Hansel Lopez, Howard Rose, Frank Moore, Mgr. Harold Massa, Coach Walter Jared.