

Dallas Willoughby Jersey Retirement #50

Dallas Willoughby was a 2011 graduate of Conner High School. He was a four year letterman for the Conner Baseball program. Dallas was a big part of the success of the baseball program over his career as the manager/statistician from 2008-2011. His spirit, character, dedication and love to the baseball program is unmatched. He loved Conner Baseball and Conner High School more than anything else. He showed up to every practice and game with a smile and enthusiasm that was contagious.

During his four years the Conner baseball team had the most successful four year run in program history. Dallas kept the book for 72 wins. He was a part of 2009, 2010, and 2011 District Runners Up teams, the 2009 and 2010 9th Region semifinalist teams, and the 2011 9th Regions Runners-Up.

After graduation Dallas went on to graduate from the University of Kentucky with a Bachelor's Degree in Business. He was working towards his Master's Degree in Accounting from Northern Kentucky University while working at Fidelity Investments. Through all of this, Dallas was still a presence at Conner. Each year, he stopped by practices and games to check on the program he held so close to his heart. Dallas unexpectedly passed away on March 9th of this year.

Following the 2011 baseball season, the Conner Baseball Spirit Award was renamed in his honor to the Dallas Willoughby Spirit Award and in 2012, the first Dallas Willoughby Spirit Award was given to the Varsity player that best exemplifies Dallas' character, spirit, dedication and love of the Conner Baseball Program. Last year the award was expanded and given out to the most deserving Junior Varsity and freshman player as well.

Dallas touched many lives... more than he probably knew through his time at Conner High School. His spirit and name will always live on at Conner High School. As of today, April 27, 2019, Dallas Willoughby's number 50 is retired and will hang on the outfield fence watching over the Conner Baseball Program.