

Dean and Debbie Smith

1997 Texas Rodeo Cowboy Hall of Fame

Dean Smith was born in Breckenridge, Texas but was raised in Eliasville, Texas. He attended high school

in Graham and was involved in football and track. During his senior year he was captain of the track team

and All State halfback. He was also Look Magazine's selection as All American 100 yard dash (9.5) State

Champion.

Dean went on to college at the University of Texas at Austin, majoring in Education.

During his college days, Dean was a member of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity, a member of the Silver Spurs

Honorary Society and a member of the "T" Association. His sports' accomplishments continued throughout

college where he excelled in sprints, 100 yds., 220 yds., 440 yds. and 880 relay teams with the support of

Coach Clyde Littlefield. Dean has many, many honors two of which are All Southwest Conference Champ

in 1952, 1954 and 1955 with a 100 yd. dash record time of 9.5. He was also honored as All American in the

100 yd. dash in 1952, 1954 and 1955 and ran 9.2-9.3 from 1954-1955.

Dean was also the halfback for the Southwest Conference Champs who defeated the University of Tennessee

in the Cotton Bowl under the direction of Coach Ed Price and Athletic Director Dana X. Bible.

