

Hello,

I am David Hernandez and a 1970 graduate of Santa Clara High School. After graduating I attended Kansas State University on a football scholarship. I graduated with a bachelor's degree in Social Science's. As a football player, I received all Big 8 honors from the UPI Coach's poll my senior year and played in the Blue Gray Game for seniors. I went on to play football in Canada with the Toronto Argonauts until sustaining a career ending injury to my foot. I had a life-long career as a high school coach primarily for football as well as for other sports, basketball, baseball, track and field, etc. In addition to coaching, I became a first responder as a Firefighter and Emergency Medical Technician/Ambulance Attendant and served in that position for over 20 years. I formed and served as President for the Local Firefighter/Emergency Medical Services union. During that time, I provided emergency medical services training throughout our county and I worked to enhance medical services for the community by negotiating with the local city officials to establish paramedic positions which enhanced the services provided to our community. It was a very rewarding career. I am presently retired and enjoying life residing in Milford, Kansas near Milford Lake. I have been married for 48 years, have two sons and a daughter and eight grandchildren who bring great joy to my life.

Congratulations to the 2020 Santa Clara High School graduates and I wish you much success in whatever education and career you pursue. Go Saints.

