

## JOE SEWELL MEMORIAL AWARD

*Recognizing Elmore County's Outstanding Christian Athletes and Leaders*

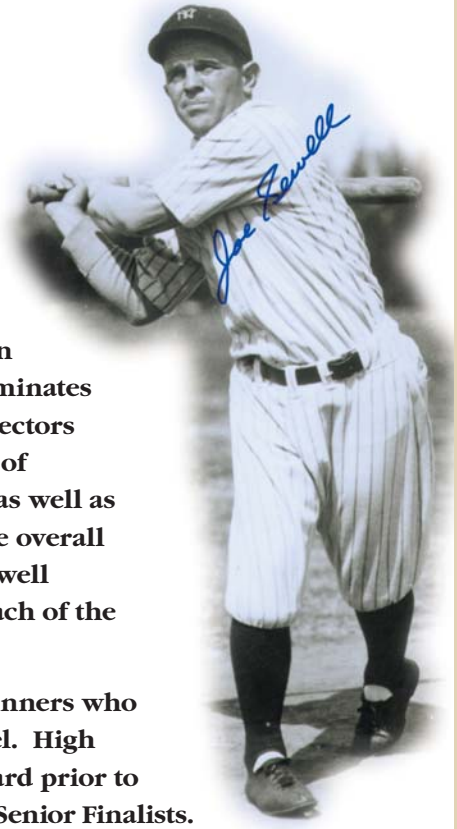
SIXTEENTH ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET JULY 21, 2020

# Purpose of the Joe Sewell Memorial Award

The Joe Sewell Memorial Award is named after one of Elmore County's professional athletes who displayed leadership and Christian character both on the field and in his home community of Titus, Joe Sewell. Sewell still owns two of Major League Baseball's records for the single season fewest strikeouts in both 1930 and 1932 as well as the lifetime record of fewest strikeouts during his 14 year career. While he excelled on the field, Sewell was known as a quiet man of character and conviction who gave back to his community as often as he could.

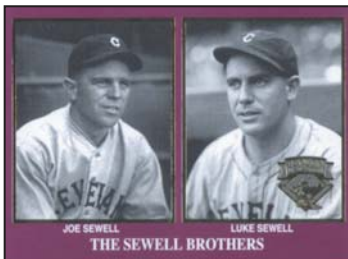
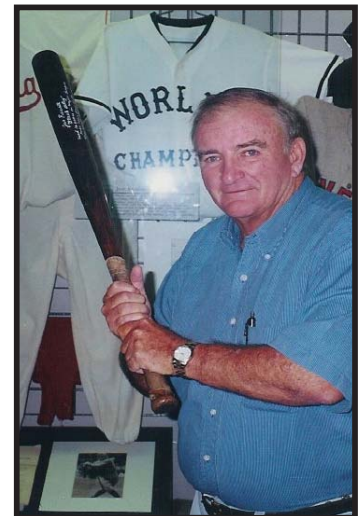
The purpose of the Joe Sewell Memorial Award is to recognize outstanding high school senior athletes who have consistently represented the highest ideals of Christian leadership and emulate the character of Joe Sewell. Each participating high school nominates up to four senior students for this award. The Joe Sewell Memorial Award Board of Directors names Finalists from that list of nominees. Students are then evaluated on the criteria of excellence in athletics, academics, leadership, and church, community, and character, as well as a panel interview conducted by the Board. One male and one female are selected as the overall Joe Sewell Memorial Award recipients. Each of those students receives a \$3,000 John Sewell Scholarship. One male and one female are also selected as the Category Winners for each of the four categories listed above, and each is awarded a \$1,000 scholarship.

The Joe Sewell Memorial Award Board of Directors also names 9th Grade Certificate Winners who exemplify the same criteria as the seniors to encourage these youth to continue to excel. High schools are invited to nominate up to four freshmen who are then evaluated by the board prior to being named a Certificate Winner. Many of our 9th Grade Certificate Winners return as Senior Finalists.



## John Sewell Scholarship

John Sewell was a cousin of Joe Sewell who was dedicated to the game of baseball and making a positive influence on young people. After a successful business career, John spent almost all of his available time working with young people. He admitted his greatest weakness in life by saying, "I just can't say no to a kid that wants to play ball. I'll do anything to help him." In 2000, John went on a mission to find his cousin's famous bat. When it was found in Birmingham, John had the opportunity to hold it and make the connection to his famous cousin from years past. John continued to coach and be a part of youth baseball until his death in 2003. He was a resident of Coosada, and his wife Billie serves with the Board of Directors.



The John Sewell Scholarships presented to students each year are fully funded by donations from local businesses and individuals who want to encourage excellence in Elmore County students and support the furtherance of their education. The scholarships for students would not be possible without these sponsors' participation each year – for their generosity, we are truly grateful.

The Joe Sewell Memorial Award and John Sewell Scholarships are projects under the auspices of the Elmore County Community Foundation (ECCF) which is an affiliate of Central Alabama Community Foundation.

Contributions to the Joe Sewell Fund are tax-deductible. Donors may give online at [cacinfo.org](http://cacinfo.org) or by mail to ECCF/Joe Sewell Fund, P.O. Box 743, Wetumpka, AL 36092



## Joe Sewell still holds the record for The Hardest Player to Strike-Out in Baseball

Joe Sewell was born in Elmore County's Titus community in 1898. Most die-hard baseball fans know of the legendary Joe Sewell. However he stood in the shadows of some of baseball's giants in the game – Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig and many others. He played for the Cleveland Indians and New York Yankees in his career from 1920 to 1933. Sewell was inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1977 and died in Mobile in 1990.

Joe Sewell still owns two of Major League Baseball's records, records which most fans of the game say will never be broken. He holds the lifetime record for fewest strikeouts at bat during his 14 year pro career – 114 in 7,132 games. Sewell holds the single season record for fewest strikeouts at bat of just three strikeouts in 640 games in 1930 and 1932. A left handed hitter who threw right handed, Sewell was a speedy shortstop who led the American League in fielding twice and putouts and led the league four times in assists.

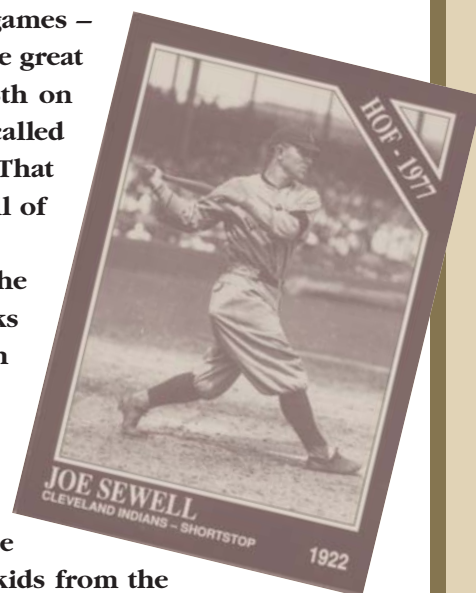
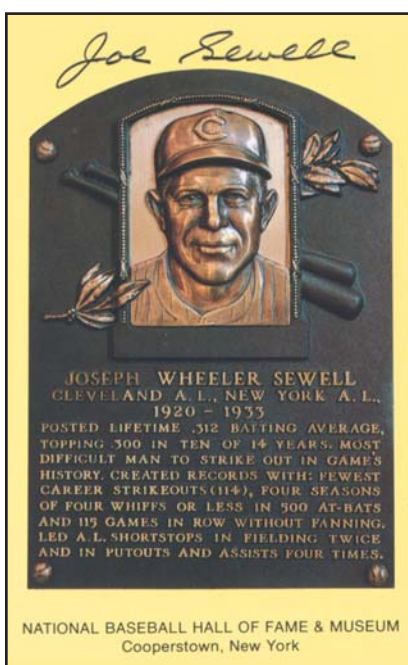
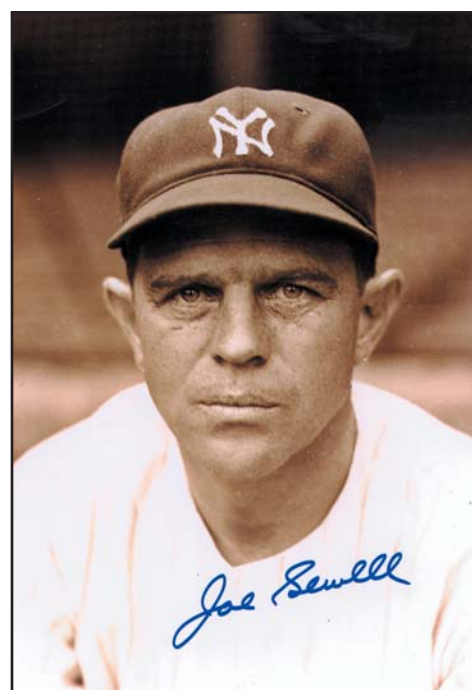
When it came to hitting, no one matched Joe Sewell. Few rookies then and even in today's modern era faced a tougher assignment or more pressure than Sewell did in 1920. While Sewell was playing his first professional season in New Orleans right out of college (Alabama), Cleveland Indians hero Ray Chapman was killed by a Carl Mays' pitch in August. When Chapman's replacement was hurt on Labor Day, the kid from Alabama got the call and was thrust into one of the most heated pennant races ever in the American League. "Little Joe" as he was called (5'7"), proved equal to the task, batting .329 for the rest of the season in helping the Cleveland Indians to their first American League Championship pennant.

From September 13, 1922 to April 30, 1930, he played 1,103 straight games – a major league record at that time, and only surpassed by his teammate, the great Lou Gehrig. He and his younger brother, Luke Sewell, are still ranked 8th on baseball's Most Career Hits list for brothers. Sewell used a 40-ounce bat called

"Black Betsy" during his entire career. That bat rests now in the Alabama Sports Hall of Fame Museum in Birmingham.

But for all of his athletic feats, it is the character of the man that this award seeks to emulate as well. Joe Sewell was known as a quiet man of character and conviction. During the depression, Joe was known on several occasions throughout the years to bring baseballs, gloves and bats to the kids of Elmore County. He loved the game and wanted other poor kids from the South to have a chance to learn the game and the sportsmanship that accompanied it.

After retirement he spent several years coaching for the Yankees. He later was a scout for the Indians. He was head baseball coach at his alma mater, the University of Alabama, for several years leading the Tide to an SEC title in 1968. Alabama's baseball stadium is named for him.



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### JOHN SEWELL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

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***Tonight's Speaker -***  
***Butch Thompson***  
***Auburn University Baseball***  
***Head Coach***



Butch Thompson is the head baseball coach at Auburn University, recently completing his fifth season in March 2020 when sports across the globe were impacted by COVID-19. Auburn was set to enter SEC play with a 13-5 record. Fans credit Coach Thompson with reviving Auburn baseball since his arrival on campus in 2015. Under Coach Thompson's leadership, the Tigers have compiled 154 wins competing in regionals, super regionals, and the College World Series. Throughout his career, Thompson's accolades include Top-10 recruiting classes, 27 All-Americans and over 30 pitchers drafted to Major League Baseball. Before leading Auburn's program, Thompson gained SEC experience assisting at Mississippi State, Georgia, and Auburn. His 28 years of coaching also includes stints at Huntingdon, Jeff State, and Birmingham Southern, where he led his alma mater to the NAIA National Championship in 2001. In addition to playing at Birmingham Southern, Thompson also starred as a pitcher at Itawamba Community College in Mississippi where he was inducted to the ICC Athletic Hall of Fame. More impressive than all the statistics is the way the baseball community holds him as an example of not just a great coach but an even better person. He is described as a man of integrity and character - a very genuine person. Thompson is a native of Amory, Mississippi holding degrees in history and sports administration. He and his wife Robin are parents of three daughters - Anna, Olivia, and Madelyn Gail.

***Tonight's Emcee - DOUG AMOS***

Doug Amos has been a part of the sports media in the River Region for 36 years, having covered the Southeastern Conference for The Montgomery Advertiser for eight years before beginning his radio career. He has hosted a sports radio show in the area since 1993, and is a two-time recipient of the Associated Press Excellence in Broadcasting Award. He currently hosts The MAX Round Table with Charlie Trotman and Darrell Dapprich on ESPN The Ticket, the River Region's ESPN RADIO affiliate. He also works for the Troy Sports Radio Network, serving as the studio host for Trojan football games and as the play-by-play voice for home Trojan basketball games. He has also done work for Troy athletics on ESPN Plus. Doug and his wife, Karla, have a daughter - Reyn, age 12.



# SENIOR FINALISTS



**Taylor Chase Atkinson**

*Elmore County High School*

**Football, Wrestling, Track & Field**

Santuck Baptist Church • Disciple Now, Fall Festival • Volunteer with An Eclectic Christmas Ministry and Eclectic Youth League Football • Boys State • Page for Alabama House of Representatives • Beta Club Executive Board, Mu Alpha Theta, English Honor

Society & Yearbook staff • 9th Grade Joe Sewell Certificate Winner • Multiple scholarships including Mildred Blount, Grady Rowe, University of Alabama Presidential, Troy University Chancellor's Award, and Spirit of Auburn • Son of Greg and Jan Atkinson.



**Laurel Avery Bacon**

*Stanhope Elmore High School*

**Cheerleading**

Millbrook First United Methodist Church • UCA All-American, National Cheerleading Championship Qualifier • Volunteer Nursery and Children's Church, VBS, Community Services Projects, Christ Community Café, Praise and Worship Team • Elmore County

Humane Shelter • Recycling Club, National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta • Jr. Civitan • Baptist Health Exploring President • Show Choir, Drama Cast • Scholarships to Auburn University and Samford University • Daughter of Will and Leigh Bacon.



**Bobby Baker**

*Tallahassee High School*

**Baseball, Football**

East Tallahassee United Methodist Church • Church Volunteer for Vacation Bible School, River's Edge Flea Market, Youth Group, and yard work for the elderly • Baseball: All-Metro and Golden Glove Outfielder • Football: Brandon Burlsworth Character Award

• Scholarship to Auburn University Montgomery • Son of Melanie and Mark Baker.



**Conner Bradford**

*Stanhope Elmore High School*

**Football, Track and Field, Basketball**

Coosada Baptist Church • Volunteer Children's Church, 5th grade Sunday School Teacher, Disciple Now and Missions Projects • Football: Team Captain, All County, Blue Gray All-American & Most Outstanding Wide Receiver • Peer Tutor • Fellowship of Christian

Athletes President, leads weekly Bible Study • Beta Club • National Honor Society • Mu Alpha Theta • Scholarships to Samford, Troy, and Millsaps. He will play college football at Huntingdon College • Son of Brian Bradford and Nicole Hunter.



**Miles Eugene Broom**

*Holtville High School*

**Wrestling, Football, Soccer**

Cain's Chapel United Methodist Church • Youth Worship and Praise Team • Volunteer for Elmore County Food Pantry and Humane Shelter • Eagle Scout • Chaplain for Boy Scouts • Bulldog Ambassador • Treasurer for Senior Class & SGA • FCA • Mu Alpha

Theta • Soccer: All Metro, Team Captain & Wetumpka United Soccer Club • 9th Grade Joe Sewell Certificate Winner • Scholarships Troy, Birmingham Southern, AUM, Jacksonville State & Faulkner • Son of Robby and Jeannie Broom.



**Sydney Elaine Brown**

*Edgewood Academy*

**Volleyball**

Blue Ridge Baptist Church • Volleyball: AISA State Champion, All Star, All State & Team Captain • Volunteer Vacation Bible School Class • Mission Trips • Salvation Army Bell Ringer • Christmas Carols at Montgomery Cancer Center • First Priority • Beta Club

• National Honor Society • Mathlete • Spanish Club • Drama Club • Who's Who: Most Likely to Brighten Your Day • 9th Grade Joe Sewell Certificate Winner • Scholarships from Troy University, University of Alabama, and UAB • Daughter of Amy and David Brown.



**Brendan Michael Carney**

*Holtville High School*

**Football, Baseball**

New Home Missionary Baptist Church • Youth Group • Volunteer at Youth Works, Audubon Acres, Elmore County Food Pantry, and Adullam House • Baseball Academic Award • Senior Honor Court, Spanish Club, Beta Club, and Band • National Retail Fountain •

Scholarships from Troy University, Auburn University Montgomery, and University of Alabama • Son of Dan and Kristy Carney.



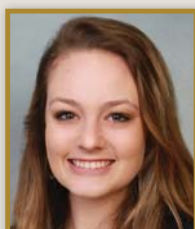
**Christian Chappelle**

*Wetumpka High School*

**Tennis**

First Baptist Church, Wetumpka • Church Youth Group, Church Conferences, Multiple Mission Trips • Volunteer for Paint the Park and We Love Wetumpka • Beta Club, National Honor Society, DECA, First Priority, Fellowship of Christian Athletes • Scholarship

to Auburn University Montgomery • Son of Shannon Chappelle.



**Abigail Chavers**

*New Life Christian Academy*

**Volleyball, Basketball, Softball**

Church at the Highlands, Montgomery Campus • ACAA All State Teams for volleyball, basketball & softball • Volunteer in Children's Church, Camp Hope, Alabama Foster Care Support, and Humane Shelter • Beta Club secretary, Honor Society • 9th Grade Joe

Sewell Certificate Winner • Scholarships to Faulkner University, Huntingdon College, University of Mobile, University of Alabama at Huntsville, University of South Alabama • Daughter of Brian and Sonya Chavers.



**Kayla Grace Clements**

*Elmore County High School*

**Softball**

Church in the Pines • Softball Catcher 5 years • First Priority President • Key Club Chaplain • Beta Club Executive Board • Academic Top 10 Award, Key Club, National English Honor Society • Intern with school Athletic Trainer program • Volunteer

Firefighter with multiple certifications and 4 years active duty • Faulkner University Dean's Scholarship • Auburn University at Montgomery Recognition Scholarship • 9th Grade Joe Sewell Certificate Winner • Daughter of Jennifer and Kent Clements.

# SENIOR FINALISTS



**Ayanna Sinclair Cole**

**Tallassee High School**

**Softball, Basketball**

Oak Grove Baptist Church • Church Secretary, Usher Board, Praise Team and Dancer • Softball: World Series Champion & All Tournament MVP • Basketball Leadership Award • Chamber of Commerce Ambassador • Speaks to ICU • National Honor Society,

Mu Alpha Theta President, 2020 Star Seeds Family of the Year • Jr. MANNERS • Scholarships to Alabama A & M University and Auburn University • Accepted to Auburn University and the University of Alabama • Daughter of Michelle and Kerry Cole



**Natalie Jewel Davis**

**Tallassee High School**

**Softball**

First Baptist Church Tallassee • Volunteer Youth Sunday School Leader, Volunteer for Nursery, Family Fest, & Nursing Home • Peer Mentor, Library Helper, & Elementary School Tutor • Mu Alpha Theta • Potential Magazine Teen Spotlight

• FCA President • Girls State • Tallassee Chamber Ambassador • 9th Grade Joe Sewell Certificate Winner • Accepted to Auburn University, UAB, AUM, University of Alabama, Troy University, and the University of South Alabama • Daughter of Brad and Catherine Davis



**Kathryn Alexis Esco**

**Elmore County High School**

**Volleyball, Track**

Good Hope Baptist Church • Youth group, Praise band, Worship Leader, Mission Trips, and Community Outreach • Senior Class Chaplin • Morning Spiritual Prayer Leader • Football Games Prayer Leader • Art Club, Student Council, First Priority, Yearbook, FCCLA,

Halo Club • Internship with First Community Bank • Enlisting in Alabama Army National Guard • Accepted to Alabama Community College and Auburn University Montgomery • Daughter of Glen Esco, Nicole Boothe, Lacey and Mark Shaner



**Jackson Hand**

**Holtville High School**

**Basketball, Soccer**

Wallsboro United Methodist Church • Volunteer for Tornado Relief, Food Pantry, Humane Shelter, Adullam House, Operation Christmas Child, St. Jude's Children's Hospital • Spanish Club President, DECA, Mu Alpha Theta • Bulldog Ambassador

• Ranked #1 in Assists AHSAA Class 4A and #2 statewide for Basketball • Team Captain for Basketball and Soccer • Elmore County Youth Leadership • Accepted to Auburn University, University of Alabama, and Troy University • Son of Cheryl and Donnie Hand



**Kalynn Elizabeth McElrath**

**Stanhope Elmore High School**

**Cheerleading**

Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church • UCA All-American, National Cheerleading Championship Qualifier • Volunteer Church Hospitality, Choir, Media, and Praise Dance Ministries • Elmore County Food Pantry and Salvation Army Bell Ringer

• Miracle League • Beta Club, National Honor Society • Mu Alpha Theta • Jr. Civitan • Girls State • Girl Scouts • 9th Grade Joe Sewell Certificate Winner • Scholarship to the University of Alabama • Daughter of Temeyra and Frederick McElrath



**Elizabeth Amelia McTier**

**Wetumpka High School**

**Cheerleading, Track & Field**

Greenwood Missionary Baptist Church • Youth Group, Children's Teacher, Church Event Planning & Usher Board • Cheerleader Captain & 3 year UCA All-American • Volunteer with Wetumpka Tornado Relief, Ability Games, Elmore County Food Pantry, St.

Jude Children's Hospital • WHS Tribal Council • Theatre Costume Designer • 1st Runner-up Miss Warrior & Miss Christmas on the Coosa • 9th Grade Joe Sewell Certificate Winner • Scholarship to Tuskegee University • Daughter of James and Cynthia McTier.



**Lindan Emma Winslow Oliver**

**Tallassee High School**

**Basketball, Cross Country, Track & Field**

First Baptist Church Tallassee • Church Youth Group • Volunteer for Nursery, VBS, Mission Camp & Food Pantry • All State Insurance Girls Basketball Player of the Quarter • State Qualifier in Cross Country & Track • Tallassee Elementary After School Program •

Tallassee Chamber Ambassador • National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta • 9th Grade Joe Sewell Certificate Winner • Scholarships to University of Alabama, Auburn University, AUM, Troy & Faulkner • Daughter of Tim and Staci Oliver



**Kaitlyn Michelle Roberts**

**Edgewood Academy**

**Volleyball, Basketball, Cheerleading**

CenterPoint Fellowship Church • Children's Ministries and Vacation Bible School • AISA Volleyball Player of the Year & All Star • UCA All-American Cheerleader & AISA State Cheerleading Champion • Volunteered at Elmore County Food Pantry,

Montgomery Cancer Center, Millbrook Senior Center & Salvation Army • Senior Class President • Rotary Club Speech Competition • 9th Grade Joe Sewell Certificate Winner • University of Alabama Presidential Scholarship • Daughter of Holly Christian and Brian Roberts.



**Lucas Clay Sisson**

**Edgewood Academy**

**Football, Baseball**

Aldersgate United Methodist Church • Mission Trip to Mexico • Baseball: All-County • Volunteered with the Wetumpka Tornado Relief, EAT South Community Garden, and ZOOROO • Member of National Honor Society, Fishing Club, and Chess Club

• 9th Grade Joe Sewell Certificate Winner • Baseball & academic offers from Penn State University, Rust College, Mississippi University for Women & University of South Alabama — Committed to Lurleen B Wallace Community College • Son of Leslie and Gene Sisson.



**Robert Cheston Stewart**

**Edgewood Academy**

**Basketball, Football, Track & Field, Soccer, Cross Country**

Reformation Baptist Church • Mission Trip to Snowbird Wilderness Outfitters • Volunteer for Elmore County Food Pantry, Field of Dreams & Tornado Relief • Math Scholars' Bowl & FCA • YMCA

Volunteer Coach • Team Captain & State Recognition in all sports • 9th Grade Joe Sewell Certificate Winner • Multiple scholarships to University of Mobile, Faulkner University, Spring Hill College, Avenue Maria University, and Central Methodist University • Son of Susan Rae Lambert Melghem and Chet Stewart.

# SENIOR FINALISTS



## Isaac Walter Stubbs

### Wetumpka High School

#### Cross Country, Track & Field

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints • Youth Group, Mission Trips, Early Morning Seminary Program • Cross Country Captain & Record Holder • U.S. Presidential Scholar • Bryant Jordan 6A Scholar Athlete • Volunteer Pianist for Wetumpka Elementary and local churches • Beta Club President • Regional Science Olympiad Medalist • Eagle Scout • Boys State • Youth Legislature, Outstanding Lobbyist Award • Government Club Founder and President • AHSAA State Representative • Awaiting Decisions from Harvard, Princeton Duke, Vanderbilt, & Brigham Young • Son of Troy and Jenny Stubbs.



## Matthew Bryant Thomas

### New Life Christian Academy

#### Football, Golf

New Life Church • Volunteer Toddler Class, Audio Visual Operator, Worship Team, Community Service • Heart of Champion Award • ACAA Golf State Championship Team • Published author in *Poets of Faith and Inspiration* • Chang's Taekwondo 5 years-2nd Degree Black Belt • Auburn University Architectural Camp Scholarship • 9th Grade Joe Sewell Certificate Winner • Scholarship to Mississippi State University, Auburn University • Son of Steve and Linda Thomas



## James Teel

### Wetumpka High School

#### Tennis

First Baptist Church Wetumpka • Church Youth Group, Church Community Service • Beta Club, National Honor Society • Boys State • DECA Club, Government Club, First Priority Vice President, Tribal Council Ambassador, FCA, Student Council • Tennis: 4 year Team Captain, All-Metro, AHSAA All-Star Week South Team Member • 9th Grade Joe Sewell Certificate Winner • Auburn University Spirit of Auburn Founders Scholarship • Son of Bart and Denise Teel.



## Ann Campbell Thornton

### New Life Christian Academy

#### Cheerleading, Softball, Baseball, Volleyball, Golf

Church at the Highlands & New Life Church • Volunteer with Camp Hope Foster Care Support, Haven's Kids and the HUGS Homeless Shelter • Cheer captain • ACAA Golf State Champion • Beta Club President • Alpha and Omega Honor Society • Distinguished Young Women Participant • Scholarships to Huntingdon College, Birmingham Southern College, Samford University, Faulkner University, and University of North Alabama • Daughter of Heather and Steve Thornton.



## Eleanor Watts

### Elmore County High School

#### Volleyball, Softball, Basketball

Catalyst Community Church • Youth Group • Volunteer for the Elmore County Humane Shelter, Elmore County Food Pantry, Family Sunshine Center • Softball All-Metro • Alabama Girls' State • Elmore County Maroon Machine Member • A+ VOICES Advocacy Team • AHSAA Student Leadership Council • Yearbook Editor • 9th Grade Joe Sewell Certificate Winner • Scholarships to Oglethorpe University, Berry College, Springhill College, UAB, University of Montevallo • Daughter of Todd and Catherine Watts.



## Blakley Morgan White

### Holtville High School

#### Soccer

New Home Baptist Church • Children's Church, Praise and Worship Leader • Winner, Elmore County Distinguished Young Women 2020 • Soccer Team Captain and Bulldog Ambassador • Volunteer for Adullam House, Ronald McDonald House, Elmore County Food Pantry • 12 years Classical Ballet and Dance Training • HHS Science Fair Winner • HHS Izell Brown Award • Accepted to Troy University and Central Alabama Community College • Daughter of Robbie and Wendy White.



## Tyler Wilson

### Stanhope Elmore High School

#### Basketball, Football, Soccer

Coosada Baptist Church • Volunteers at Wednesday Night Church, Church Band, Choir, VBS, Discipleship Now and Mission Trips • Football: Team Captain & Scholar Athlete Award • Beta Club & National Honor Society • Future Business Leaders, Spanish Club and FFA • FCA Vice President • Established a Prayer Locker at SEHS • 9th Grade Joe Sewell Certificate Winner • Scholarships to Auburn University in Chemical Engineering • Son of Mark and Michele Wilson.



## Joe Sewell Memorial Award

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## NINTH GRADE CERTIFICATE WINNERS

### Edgewood Academy

Bryson Boone  
Bradley Brown  
Austin Champion  
Katelyn Mercer

### Stanhope Elmore High School

Bella Barfoot  
Brodie Cockrell  
Devin Gipson  
Alli Ryan Lightsey

### Elmore County High School

Allye Justiss  
Cooper Rogers  
Courtney Sides  
Payton Stephenson

### Tallassee High School

Micah Cole  
Abbie Davis  
Harper Davis  
Marlee Stewart

### Holtville High School

Tyler Michael Langley  
Colton Wayne Wheeler  
Katelyn Alexis Whitehurst  
Karley Kate Wilson

### Wetumpka High School

Gavan Baxley  
Taylor Gunn  
Marlie Fuller  
Elsa Stubbs

### New Life Christian Academy

Madison Bailey  
Emma Chavers  
Anna Gates  
Charlie Irwin



*“Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.”*

*- Proverbs 22:6 KJV*

# PREVIOUS OVERALL AWARD WINNERS



## 2019 BOY'S AWARD



**James Allen Singleton, Jr.**

*Elmore County High School*  
Baseball, Basketball, Football

## 2019 GIRL'S AWARD



**Emma Grace Coyle**

*Tallassee High School*  
Cheerleading

### 2018 BOY'S AWARD



**Benjamin Todd  
Buck, Jr.**  
*Holtville High School*

Football, Soccer,  
Baseball, Basketball, Wrestling

### 2018 GIRL'S AWARD



**Sarah Staton**  
*Holtville  
High School*

Soccer, Cross Country,  
Bowling

### 2017 BOY'S AWARD



**Robert Broom**  
*Holtville  
High School*

Cross Country, Soccer

### 2017 GIRL'S AWARD



**Hannah Traylor**  
*Elmore County  
High School*

Basketball, Powerlifting,  
Track & Field, Volleyball

### 2016 BOY'S AWARD



**Ty Naquin**  
*Stanhope Elmore  
High School*

Baseball, Wrestling

### 2016 GIRL'S AWARD



**Elissa Brown**  
*Elmore County  
High School*

Softball, Basketball,  
Track & Field

**2015  
BOY'S AWARD**



**Kirkland McWhorter**  
*Tallassee High School*  
Cross Country, Soccer,  
Track & Field

**2015  
GIRL'S AWARD**



**Madison Roberts**  
*Wetumpka High School*  
Cheerleading

**2014  
BOY'S AWARD**



**Aaron Smith**  
*Elmore County High School*  
Football, Powerlifting, Track

**2014  
GIRL'S AWARD**



**Patty Holley**  
*Elmore County High School*  
Volleyball

**2013  
BOY'S AWARD**



**Colton LaDon Campbell**  
*Holtville High School*  
Baseball, Basketball, Football

**2013  
GIRL'S AWARD**



**Carter Singleton**  
*Elmore County High School*  
Basketball, Powerlifting,  
Soccer, Track

**2012  
BOY'S AWARD**



**Evan Miles Venable**  
*Elmore County High School*  
Football, Powerlifting,  
Basketball, Golf

**2012  
GIRL'S AWARD**



**Hannah Elizabeth Weldon**  
*Edgewood Academy*  
Volleyball, Basketball,  
Softball, Track, Cheerleading

**2011  
BOY'S AWARD**



**Cody Arant**  
*Wetumpka High School*  
Football, Baseball

**2011  
GIRL'S AWARD**



**Kelsey Baker**  
*Tallassee High School*  
Cheerleading

**2010  
BOY'S AWARD**



**Thatcher Pinkston**  
*Wetumpka High School*  
Football, Tennis,  
Wrestling

**2010  
GIRL'S AWARD**



**Taylor Veazey**  
*Holtville High School*  
Basketball, Tennis,  
Cross Country

**2009  
BOY'S AWARD**



**Jordan Nickols**  
*Holtville High School*  
Football, Baseball

**2009  
GIRL'S AWARD**



**Ashley Colquitt**  
*Wetumpka High School*  
Cheerleading, Soccer

**2008  
BOY'S AWARD**



**Thomas Luke Rowe**  
*Elmore County High School*  
Football, Basketball, Track

**2008  
GIRL'S AWARD**



**Rachel Virginia Powell**  
*Tallassee High School*  
Volleyball

**2007  
BOY'S AWARD**



**Chris Glover**  
*Holtville High School*  
Football, Baseball

**2007  
GIRL'S AWARD**



**Kelly McWhorter**  
*Elmore County High School*  
Cheerleading

**2006  
BOY'S AWARD**



**Chas Worthy**  
*Elmore County High School*  
Football, Basketball, Baseball

**2006  
GIRL'S AWARD**



**Ashley Hicks**  
*Stanhope Elmore High School*  
Cheerleading

**2005  
BOY'S AWARD**



**Josh Cain**  
*Edgewood Academy*  
Football, Basketball, Track

**2005  
GIRL'S AWARD**



**Heather Finklea**  
*Elmore County High School*  
Softball, Basketball



*Sixteenth Annual*  
**Joe Sewell Memorial Award Program**

Wetumpka Civic Center

July 21, 2020

**Welcome ~**

**Invocation ~**

**Sponsor Recognition ~**

**Introduction of Emcee ~** Garner Electric, Inc.

**Special Recognitions ~** Doug Amos

Board Members

Past Award Winners

Senior Finalists who were 9th Grade Certificate Winners

**Recognition of 9th Grade Certificate Winners ~** Doug Amos

**Introduction of Senior Joe Sewell Award Finalists ~** Doug Amos

~ Elmore County Commission

**Introduction of Speaker ~** Neptune Technology Group

**Keynote Speaker ~** Butch Thompson, Auburn University Baseball

**Honoree Selection Process ~**

**Senior Category Award Winners ~** Doug Amos

Girls Leadership Award . . . . . First Community Bank

Boys Leadership Award . . . . . Wetumpka Lions Club

Girls Academic Award . . . . . Millbrook Men's Club

Boys Academic Award . . . . . Adams Drugs

Girls Church, Community & Character Award . . . . . Tallassee Rehab

Boys Church, Community & Character Award . . . . . Riverside Chevrolet

Girls Athletic Award. . . . . Weldon Family

Boys Athletic Award. . . . . Ingram Family

**Girls Overall Joe Sewell Award and John Sewell Scholarship Winner ~** Sewell Family

**Boys Overall Joe Sewell Award and John Sewell Scholarship Winner ~** Lee's Auto Repair

**Adjourning Remarks ~**