Jim Clary celebrated his 32nd year of coaching this past season by guiding Troy High School to a 15-6 record and continuing a long tradition of success with the Colts.

His illustrious career began in 1961 at Tuscumbia (Mo.) High School before he moved to Michigan and accepted a position at Clawson Junior High in 1964. Shortly thereafter, he assumed the head coaching role at Clawson High, and with the exception of a one-season stint at Michigan Christian College (1974-75), stayed on from 1965-80.

Clary took over at Troy prior to the 1980-81 campaign and has posted a 198-82 record in 13 seasons. Troy, a consistent factor in the Southeastern Michigan Association title chase, reached the Class A quarterfinals in 1989 and battled powerhouse Detroit Southwestern before losing 68-57.

Overall, Clary owns a 466-244 career mark as a boys varsity head coach and had eclipsed 500 wins over his entire career. He also boasts 15 district, nine league and two regional championships.

Clary, 54, has three children: sons Monty and Marty, and a daughter, Beth. Marty pitched in three different seasons (1987, 1989-90) for the Atlanta Braves, Monty presently teaches at Troy Athens High School, and Beth is a doctor.

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