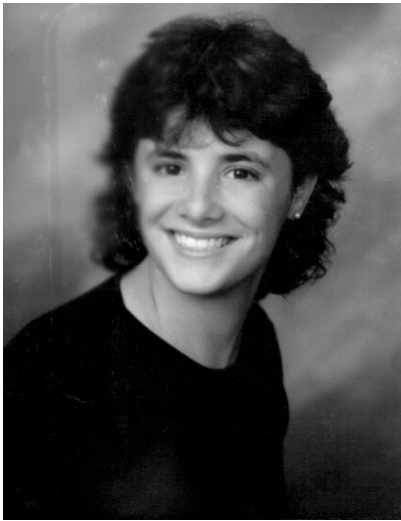




Alyssa Balboni **Class of 1997**

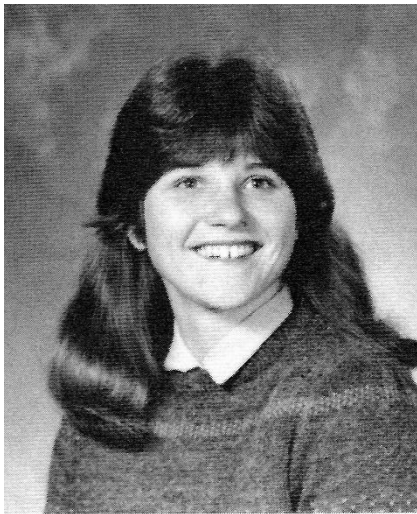
Alyssa Balboni was a multi-talented three sport athlete during her career at Milford High School. A three-year starter on the soccer pitch, she also was a three-year varsity contributor on the basketball court. Alyssa, however, made her mark on the softball diamond where she was a four year standout both in the field and at the plate.

The fledgling soccer program qualified for tournament play for the first time ever during Alyssa's freshman year, and she was a key contributor as both a midfielder and forward during her subsequent three years on the varsity. The team improved its performance each season, advancing as far as the sectional semi-finals during her junior year.

Alyssa used her quickness and defensive prowess to earn time as a sophomore on a very successful 15-5 basketball team that advanced to the sectional semi-finals. She again played a significant role off the bench the following season, helping the team to a 19-5 record, a Mid-Wach League and Central Sectional Championships - the best showing ever for the Girls Basketball team. She was co-captain of the team as a senior.

As her recognition as a four time Mid-Wach League and two time Worcester Telegram All-Star will attest, Alyssa was one of the best softball players to ever graduate from MHS. She was in the middle of the action defensively as a sure-fielding third baseman, and was in the top two on the team in hitting all four years, compiling a career average of over .400. A senior captain, she was also the first MHS player to compile over 100 hits during her career. Alyssa earned both team MVP honors and the Tony Correia Coaches Award as the top female athlete during her senior year.

Alyssa continued her athletic career at Anna Maria College where she was not only the Softball MVP all four years but also served as Class President for three years.



Michele Barys **Class of 1983**

Michele "Micki" Barys was an impact player from the moment she entered Milford High School in the fall of 1979. One of the rare few to earn a starting position as a freshman on the volleyball team, she also played two years of varsity basketball and four years of varsity softball.

As a power forward in basketball, Micki could be counted on to contest every rebound, often leading the team. She was also a reliable scorer under the boards, and her offense helped propel the team to a 14-5 record and a place in the district tournament during her sophomore year.

Micki earned the starting third-baseman's position as a freshman on the softball team. Possessing great range and a strong arm, Barys moved to shortstop as a sophomore, where she anchored the defense for the next three seasons. She was also a strong presence at the plate, where her power in the middle of the line-up was always a threat to opposing pitchers.

Barys gave up basketball after her sophomore year to hone her skills in volleyball, where she became one of the best players in the state. During her four years as key player on the court, MHS compiled a record of 69-10, won four Midland League Championships, captured two Central Mass Championships, and finished 3rd (1979) and 2nd (1980) in the States. The 1981 team finished the season 18-0 and was considered the best team in the state. Due to budget issues, however, the MIAA did not sponsor state championships that year. The two year captain's individual honors included four-time Midland League All Star, two-time team MVP, two-time All-State Tournament Team, 1981 District Tournament MVP, and two-time Globe All-Scholastic. Micki's talents earned her a Division I scholarship to UMass Amherst where she continued to excel on the court.