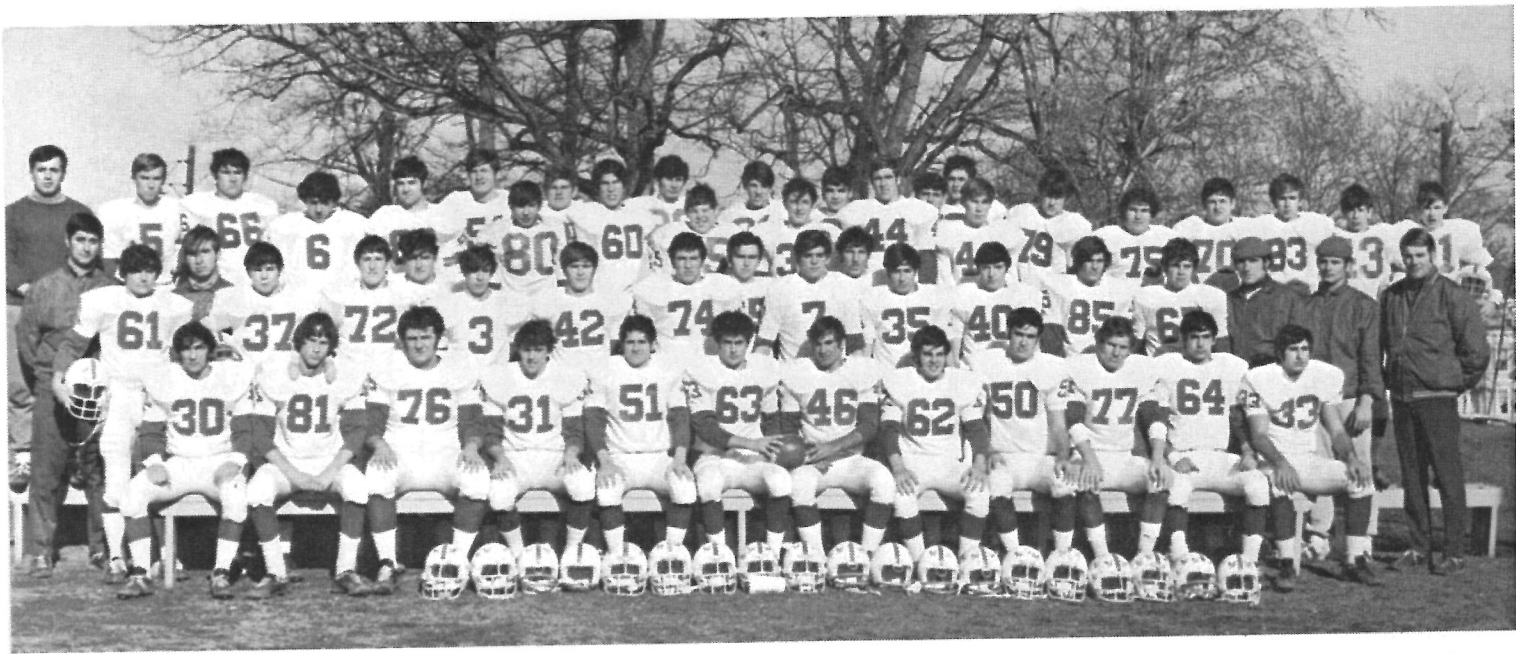




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1970 Football Team Midland League Champions (9-0)

It was a team effort, a well planned and executed play that took three years to perfect. That, in brief, is the story of the 1970 Scarlet Hawks football team that streaked to its first Midland League title in 35 years and its first undefeated season in more than 40 years. Led by Massachusetts Football Coaches Assoc. and Milford High Hall of Fame Coach Dick Corbin, and assisted by Leo Biron, Jim Wittorff, Mike Brita and Chuck Calagione, this season was the culmination of a rebuilding program that returned Milford football to the prominence it had once enjoyed in Central Massachusetts.

The Scarlet Hawks possessed a balanced and explosive offense that averaged over 27 points per game. Fullback Joe Tamagni was the key to the "Power I" formation, a formidable blocker and hard-nosed runner. Tailback Dean Miller was the perfect complement, using his outside speed to average well over 100 yards rushing per game. The passing combination of quarterback Tom Delfanti and his speedy, sure-handed split end, Co-Captain Carl DeIeso, gave the team the ability to score from anywhere on the field. Place kicker Jose Violante, who set and still holds the school record with a 50 yard field goal, led the all-important special teams.

As good as the offense was, the defense was even better. Led by Co-Captain Mike Celeste and Dave Durian at linebackers, the unit throttled opposing offenses. The team recorded three shut-outs, held four other teams to only one score, and let up only two touchdowns each to its remaining two opponents. The total of 52 points given up over the course of the season is believed to be an MHS record. "Hawk of the Year", defensive end Bruce Rideout, led a swarming "44 Hawk" defense that raised havoc with opponents.

The sacrifice, work-ethic and teamwork of the 1970 football squad set the standard for future teams to strive for.