

Jack Cooper graduated from CHS in **1963**, attended Dakota Wesleyan University with a degree in history and education. He continued at Missouri State and received a master's degree in secondary school administration, then later attended Drake to receive his K-12 guidance certificate. He was a ten-letter winner in football, wrestling and track at Dakota Wesleyan and was inducted into their Athletic Hall of Fame in 1996. He was selected as the Outstanding Young Religious Leader by the City of Ankeny in 1968. He was honored as a wrestling coach in 1986. He was a Carlisle Little League coach, flag football coach, helped organize the Tri-Community Coalition in Carlisle which focused on making the town drug-free. He also served as Sunday School teacher and Youth group leader. He also served on the scholarship committee for the CHS Alumni Association and served on the Carlisle Public Library Board. In addition to teaching and coaching, Jack served as a lay pastor for 19 years at the Bethel Chapel Christian Union Church. He was married to Charlene Tyler and had three children, Mark, Chad and Randy.