



GEORGE SCHMITT ***MARPLE NEWTOWN CLASS OF 1979***

George Schmitt's NFL career lasted for one season with the St. Louis Cardinals in 1983. Schmitt played in all 16 games at defensive back and returned kicks. Schmitt was drafted in the sixth round of the 1983 draft, after an outstanding career at the University of Delaware.

Schmitt currently holds Delaware records for interceptions in one season (13 in 1982), career interceptions (22), most passes intercepted in a game (3 vs. Morgan State, 1980), and is second all-time with 269 career interception yards.

Schmitt played in the 1982 Division I-AA Championship Game, and was a member of the 1979 Division II Champion Delaware Blue Hens. Schmitt was named First Team AP All-American and a Kodak Coaches All-American for his efforts during the 1982 season.

Schmitt's high school career was played under the guidance of Tiger's coach Bob Kenig. A player described by Kenig as "the dream of any coach", Schmitt played on the varsity squad as a freshman. He also was an integral part of the 1977 Central League Championship squad, starring at Defensive Back and Halfback. He was named All-Delco and All-Central in his senior season.

Schmitt is a member of the Marple Newtown Athletics Hall of Fame, and currently resides in Malvern. The George Schmitt award is given to the football team's finest defensive player each season.

Award winners include:

2005 – Dan Scarboro

2006 – Dave Hansell