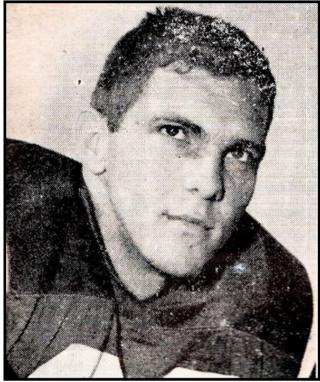
2024 Forsyth-Monroe County Sports Hall of Fame CHESTER GRANT



Chester Grant was a Mary Persons football and track standout at Mary Persons from 1958–61 and was among the top players on legendary MP coach Dan Pitts' first three squads. Grant played both fullback and linebacker during a time when MP only had 19 total players. During his senior year in 1961, he served as team co-captain, averaging 20 tackles per game and amassing a whopping 31 tackles in a single game, while being named the Bulldogs' Most Valuable Player (MVP). Grant became the first MP football player to sign a college scholarship with a Southeastern Conference (SEC) school when he signed with Mississippi State. He eventually transferred to Delta State College in Cleveland, Miss., where he played defensive end. After completing his education, Grant went on to a long, successful career with Georgia Power.

