

Michele Gagne Wertz

Class of 1991 - Field Hockey, Track



Stoneham High School Class of 1991 graduate Michele Gagne used her 5-foot-11 athletic frame to excel in field hockey and track and field. Gagne was a three time Middlesex League All-Star leading the SHS field hockey team in scoring during her junior and senior seasons, and finished sixth in the state in scoring her senior season with a total of 16 goals and 5 assists.

Gagne helped lead the Lady Spartans to three straight tournament appearances under coach Cindy Carbone. "We used to call her the magnet because she could stick-handle, dodge and score anywhere and anytime," said Carbone.

Gagne also was a standout during the winter track season, garnering Co-MVP Middlesex League honors in her senior season with dominant performances in the shot put, 300 meters, and as part of the one mile relay team. At a State Meet, Gagne achieved her personal best throw of 31' and 11 3/4".

During the spring, Gagne again was Co-MVP of the Middlesex League and went undefeated in both the 300 meter hurdles and shot put, while also excelling in the 220 meter dash. Gagne was named a two-time Middlesex League All-Star in the spring, and helped lead an undefeated Middlesex League champion squad her senior season. Gagne surpassed her winter shot put feat with a new personal record of 32' and 4 1/2".

For her career achievements, Gagne was named the SHS Blanket Award winner, given to the boy and girl athletes who accumulate the most varsity letters. Gagne attended Holy Cross after graduating from Stoneham High School and broke the Crusaders single season record with 19 goals scored, allowing the two-time All-American and Patriot League Player of the year to finish with 48 career goals.

Michele and her husband, Jason, reside with their two children, Paul and Will, in Ipswich. Michele is the Director of Annual Fundraising for Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston.