

Jack Belcher

1976 - Football, Baseball & Outdoor Track



At 6' 4" and 220 pounds, Jack Belcher stood out both literally and figuratively among his fellow athletes and dominated in football, basketball and track.

The 1979 Stoneham High School graduate played three sports and was named an All-Star in each. Switching from baseball to track his junior year, he was named to the Middlesex League All-Star team for his work in throwing the discus as a senior.

In basketball, Belcher combined his size and strength with a deft shot that saw him finish third in the league in scoring as a senior, with a 21.9 scoring average, including a 41-point night against Watertown and a 31 point game against Belmont, which garnered him an All-Star berth for hoop; however, it was his football career which allowed him to pursue the game beyond high school. A Middlesex League All-Star as a senior (juniors weren't eligible at the time), he was also selected to play in the Shriner's All-Star game. Belcher was selected as a Boston Herald All-Scholastic.

He continued his football career at Boston College, playing center where he started in his sophomore, junior and senior seasons, becoming a captain his senior year. He was also the first center for future Heisman Trophy winner Doug Flutie.

For his work, Belcher was named All-East in his junior and senior campaigns and third team All-American his senior year. His college work led to him being drafted by the L.A. Rams where he played briefly before spending two seasons with the Boston Breakers football team. After his playing career ended, Belcher worked in the private sector but kept his hand in football as an assistant coach at Bedford High and Bishop Fenwick before being named the head coach at Bedford High in 2004. Giving back to his hometown, Belcher was instrumental in helping Pop Warner get re-established in Stoneham.

He currently works for Eagle Snacks distributors and resides in Stoneham with his wife, Ramona, and daughter Isabella.