

**NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL**  
*Athletic Hall of Fame Induction - Class of 2021*

**Otis Thomas '97**

Otis Thomas was a 4 sport star during his athletic career during his 4 years at ND [1994 - 1997].

He was a member of 3 Genesee Region [GR] Football Championship teams [1995, 1996, 1997] coached by legendary ND coach Bill Sutherland '67 [HOF '95]. During this time period, he received GR League All-Star recognition each year as a running back as well as also being named ND's Offensive MVP.

On the hardcourt, Otis played 3 years of Varsity Basketball for ND Hall of Fame Coach Mike Rapone '71 [HOF'96]. He was a member of 3 ND Genesee Region [GR] League Championship teams [1995-1997] and 2 NYSPHSAA Section V Championship teams [1995, 1997] and one Sectional Finalist runner-up [1996]. He twice received Defensive MVP recognition as a Varsity team member and was recognized as a Genesee Region All-Star during his junior and senior seasons [1996, 1997]. He was a key member of ND Boys Basketball's 1st undefeated regular season in school history during his senior season [1996-97].

Otis participated in Track and Field during his sophomore year at ND where he was a member of the Fighting Irish NYSPHSAA Class D Sectional Championship team! He also received GR League All-Star recognition the same season [1995].

He played Varsity Baseball for 3 years and was named to the Genesee Region [GR] All-Star team twice [1996, 1997] during his Fighting Irish career during which time he compiled career stats by batting .400, stealing 67 bases having never been picked off and compiling an on-base percentage [OBS] of .689!

Otis, his wife Nicole and their 3 children Nya [18]'21, Teagyn [14] and Gunner [11] reside in Batavia. Otis currently serves as sales and service agent for Cintas.

