



## *Stillwater Pioneer Athlete Memorial*

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### CORBIN DEAN EDMISSON

April 23, 1988 - April 16, 2011

Stillwater High School Class of 2006

17th Annual Memorial Induction Ceremony

October 13, 2012

Corbin Dean Edmisson was born April 23, 1988 in Hutchinson, Kansas to Rob and Gina Edmisson. He moved to Stillwater, Oklahoma his freshman year when his dad, a basketball coach, accepted the job as assistant women's basketball coach at Oklahoma State in 2002.

Corbin graduated from Stillwater High School in 2006. As a senior, he was voted "Typical Senior" by his classmates, although anyone who knew Corbin knew he was anything but typical!

One of Corbin's biggest loves was the game of basketball. His parents even brought him home from the hospital in a "basketball uniform." He loved to watch the game, play the game, and had aspired to be a women's basketball coach following in his dad's footsteps.

Corbin participated in basketball his freshman through senior years at SHS. Unfortunately, the summer before his junior year, Corbin tore his ACL playing summer ball. Before being released to play again, Corbin spent the year cheering on his teammates from the bench and also coached a little kids YMCA team in Stillwater.

Upon graduating high school, Corbin went to Oklahoma City University and majored in criminal justice. He played basketball his freshman year of college. That year they won the NAIA Men's Division I Basketball Championship in Kansas City (2007).

After his freshman year Corbin realized his injuries sustained in high school would not allow him to continue playing at the college level. It was at this time he "hung up his shoes" and began to seriously focus on his coaching career. His second and third years of college were spent as a student assistant for his dad's basketball team at OCU on the women's side. He learned a lot from his dad, and it was a great time for father and son to be able to coach together. This was an exciting time for Corbin. He did a great job, and it was the start of a dream for him.

Just weeks before Corbin passed away on April 16, 2011, Corbin had landed a job at Tulsa University with the women's basketball program as their video coordinator. He was so excited about this opportunity and thought he was well on his way of living his dream of becoming a basketball coach. And what a great one he would have been! During his short life he got to do exciting things such as have lunch with Bobby Knight and work the Chris Paul basketball camp when the New Orleans Hornets were temporarily housed in OKC.

Corbin had several passions in his life: His family, his friends, basketball, Oklahoma State football, and OKC Thunder basketball. He would have been thrilled that Kevin Durant wore a bracelet with his name on it the entire NBA year of 2011-2012 after befriending the Edmisson family after Corbin's passing.

While Corbin was not the most talented ball player on the floor and injuries kept him from competing as he would have liked, he was successful because he was a team player, great encourager of his teammates, and he had a goal to teach the game.

To know Corbin was to never forget him. He was full of love, laughter, and determination.

Corbin is survived by his parents and his sister Cierra who is a 2009 Stillwater High School graduate.

*Presenter  
Vicki Barton*