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Asheboro High School Athletic Director Steve Luck stood on the third base line at Pugh Field last week, reading the testimony of former AHS softball player and current assistant softball coach Kristen Faircloth about the influence Lisa Robertson had on her during her playing days as a Blue Comet.

Inspirational and dedicated were words Faircloth used to describe Robertson. On this particular day it was Faircloth with those words, but it could have been any of a thousand or more people saying those exact words about Robertson, who influenced many during her long and storied career in the Asheboro School System.

Robertson, the Blue Comets' longtime coach who passed away in 2018, was honored in a ceremony to dedicate the scoreboard at Pugh Field in her name. For so many years, Robertson walked the diamond and now her name is prominently displayed on the scoreboard she glanced at on so many occasions.

In Honor of Coach Lisa Robertson

"In everything she did, Lisa was guided by her heart and she gave nothing less than her best," Luck said to a large crowd of teachers, coaches, former players and fans. "She modeled excellence and professionalism in the classroom and on the field. She was loved by her colleagues and admired by her students and athletes."

Robertson was a physical education teacher at South Asheboro Middle School for 20 years and spent eight more at Asheboro High School. She coached softball for 23 years and was in charge of the girls basketball program as well for a number of years.

Robertson was inducted into the Asheboro High School Hall of Fame in 2017 and in 2019, the Lisa Robertson Memorial Scholarship was created in her honor.

Asheboro City Schools Superintendent Dr. Aaron Woody started the ceremony, saying "she has continued to make a lasting impact here at Asheboro High School."



Faircloth, who lobbied for Robertson to be honored, was one of Robertson's students before graduating and coming back to work alongside the veteran coach on the softball diamond.

"The impact Coach Robertson had on me and many other student-athletes is immeasurable," Faircloth said. She came to school and practice everyday setting the example of what it meant to be committed, loyal, detailed and passionate. Honoring her commitment to Asheboro City Schools with our scoreboard is the least we can do."