

Chuck Darden
Shallowater High School
(Retired)

Chuck Darden is a native of Lubbock, Texas. He graduated from Lubbock Coronado High School and Texas Tech University. Chuck began his coaching career in August, 1978 at Shallowater I.S.D. The first three years of his career he coached boys' athletics. In 1981, he became the head girls' basketball coach at Shallowater. His entire coaching career has been at Shallowater High School.

Coaching milestones include 1,052 wins, 35 play-off appearances, which includes 26 consecutive Bi-district titles, 18 Regional Tournament appearances, 7 State Tournament appearances, 2 State semi-finals, 3 State Runner-ups, and 2 State Championships in 2004 and 2020.

Throughout Chuck's 44 years of coaching, he has received various awards and honors. He has been named Lubbock Avalanche Journal Coach of the Year numerous times. He has also received the Dean Weese Coach of the Year Award, as well as TABC and TGCA State Coach of the Year awards. Chuck has coached the TABC and TGCA All-Star games.

Chuck is proud of the fact that throughout his 44 years at Shallowater, he was a classroom teacher, teaching U.S. Government, and Free Enterprise.

Chuck is a devout family man. He has been married to his wife Carolyn for 44 years. They are the proud parents of Meg and her husband Max Kattwinkel, Chip and his wife Stacy, and youngest son Matt. They are also proud grandparents of Keenan, Carter, Kasen, Blakely, and Cannon. Chuck and Carolyn have been members of Shallowater United Methodist Church for 41 years. Chuck's hobbies are golf and supporting the Texas Tech Red Raiders.