

#5F Albert Chappell, Beaufort 5/01/1924 – 2/10/2008

Player

Coach

Mentor



“You couldn’t have a better friend.”

Joe (Boy) Willis

**UNC-Chapel Hill Picture
1946**

- ❖ He graduated from Beaufort High School in 1941 excelling in football, baseball and basketball, and he received a football scholarship to NC State University
- ❖ After the bombing of Pearl Harbor, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy. After serving several years he was recommended for the V-12 program & was sent to UNC-Chapel Hill for NROTC, graduating with the rank of Ensign and he Lettered in Baseball under Coach Bunn Hearn
- ❖ Mr. Chappell and his father operated a family business, City Appliance and Furniture Co., & after 31 years retired in 1986 from Carteret-Craven Electric Cooperative
- ❖ He coached Little League and Midget Football for 15+ years – he Loved to be called ‘Coach’
- ❖ Joe “Boy” Willis best remembers him for his help & support of the athletics teams at ECHS. He said, “If you needed help, guidance or something to support the team, Mr. Chappell was the right man to help you. I can remember him out on the football field plugging grass in a driving rain with Tom Hewitt, our football coach.”
- ❖ Jean, his wife whom he met at UNC, said “He was the happiest when he was coaching, and he would beam with pride in seeing his players doing great things as they grew up.”