



Cassie Campbell

Cassie grew up on the ball field. Even before she was old enough to play organized ball, the first field was her back-yard throwing ball with her dad and sister. She remembers every evening when her dad returned home from work the three would go to the yard and work on developing skills and fundamentals. Now as a parent she realizes how selfless that was. She knows he could have very well said no, I'm too tired, just go play with your sister. That's not the way it was. She credits her parents as her biggest supporters. Her mom was the cheerleader and referee when competition got a little too intense. Her dad was the best coaching influence she ever had. He was in it for the long haul. He was a life coach. She credits her sister "Carrie" for pushing her at every level to be better. Cassie's favorite memory with her sister was in Dixie Youth All-Stars "just give me the sign". Her favorite memory in Dixie Youth Softball was winning the State Tournament and going to the World Series with some of her best friends.



After ten years playing Dixie Youth Softball it was on to the next level. Amherst County High School Lady Lancers Softball. Cassie was a three-sport athlete at ACHS. Softball, basketball and volleyball. Even though she played all three, softball was her passion. She played all three sports every year while at ACHS, but she was devoted to softball. At ACHS the team won District and Regional Tournaments and played in the State Tournament. In 1999 she was named Western District Player of the Year. In 2000 she was named Western District Co-Player of the Year. Four Years in a row she was 1st Team All-District, three of the four years she was 1st Team All-Region, as a junior, she was 2nd Team All-Region. Three years in a row she was named on the News and Advance All-Area Team. Her senior year she played in the VHSCA High School All-Star game, she received the Most Outstanding Senior-Female Athlete Award and received the Scholar Athlete Award. She credits Coach Gouldthorpe for instilling the 3-F's in her. Focus Fundamentals, Fun. If playing three sports at ACHS wasn't enough, she played ASA Softball from 1997 - 2002.

Her tremendous play at ACHS awarded her a Softball Scholarship and the opportunity to further her education at Liberty University. Although she played 3rd base at ACHS she moved to the other side of the diamond and played 2nd base at Liberty. Her fondest memories at LU were scoring the winning run to win the first ever Big South Tournament and playing against UCLA in the Regionals. She made the All-Academic Team in 2005. As much as she cherishes her playing time and the competition of the game she most cherishes the countless lifelong friends she made playing softball all over the country.

Cassie knows the love for sports that was instilled in her from those very first years in her back yard to graduating as a star athlete at Liberty University will never go away. She kept the game going even after college. She coached Varsity Softball from 2005 – 2013 and Varsity Volleyball from 2005 – 2009 at Rustburg High School.