

Red Carpet Bowl

"A Mississippi Tradition Since 1962"

To the 2018 Red Carpet Bowl Scholarship recipient:

On behalf of the Red Carpet Bowl Committee, I would like to congratulate you on being the Red Carpet Bowl Scholarship recipient for 2017.

This year, the Red Carpet Bowl Classic will be celebrating 56 years of what has become the longest active high school bowl game in the South.

The Red Carpet Bowl Classic was instituted in 1962 as a post-season football game that was played to benefit Mr. Leo Puckett, a local high school athlete that was severely injured during a high school football contest. Mr. Puckett was rendered a quadriplegic as a result of his injuries. Five gentlemen from Vicksburg had a vision after seeing a need (Leo Puckett) and formed The Red Carpet Bowl Classic committee to meet the demands of that need. The founding fathers of the Red Carpet Bowl Classic were:

*Mr. Gene Allen – former Head Coach of H. V. Cooper High School in Vicksburg, MS
(the only living founder of the RCB)

*Mr. Harold Baldwin - local businessman

*Mr. Billy Ray – Vicksburg Evening Post Sports Editor

*Mr. Ray Roberts, Sr. - Chief to the Superintendent of Illinois Central Railroad

*Mr. Travis T. Vance, Sr. – Mayor - City of Vicksburg

Please contact me by Friday, June 30, 2018 and let me know the university you will be attending. Checks will be written and available for pick up two (2) weeks before you leave for college. You may contact me either by email at ltzotzolas@gbtonline.com or by phone at 601-636-8368, to inform me of your university.

Once again, congratulations and good luck!

Sincerely,



Lester G. Tzotzolas, Treasurer
Red Carpet Bowl

