

Craig Cramblet
Class of 1977 – Male Athlete Inductee
Athletic Hall of Fame – Class of 2015

An active student, Craig Cramblet lettered in football and wrestling at Holton High School, while also having participated in basketball and track and field at times throughout his high school career. Cramblet also actively participated in both the pep club and the varsity club, among many other clubs and activities throughout the school. Cramblet is a graduate of Cornerstone University in Grand Rapids, MI, and he attended Bethel Seminary in San Diego, CA, as well as Grand Rapids Theological Seminary.

In 1977, Cramblet's senior year, he would become the fourth (4th) wrestler in the history of Holton High School to earn victory in the state championship match, when Cramblet pinned his opponent, Ray Freeman from Covert (who had a season ending record of 26-1), in 4:55. Cramblet would pin every wrestler he faced from the regional tournament forward that year, and would become the first wrestler in Holton history to win a state championship while wrestling at a heavier weight class by competing in the 191 pound weight class that year. While Cramblet earned a second (2nd) place finish in the heavyweight weight class of the Class D State Wrestling Tournament in 1976, Cramblet's junior year, Cramblet "dedicated himself to wrestling," said Coach Jack Demming. Coach Demming would go on to say that Cramblet "worked awfully hard" and "he had his mind totally on what he had to do." This determination and hard worked paid off for Cramblet helping him earn state championship honors.

Cramblet finished his senior season with a record of 26-4 having set two wrestling records of the time at Holton. During the 1977 season, Cramblet earned victory by pinning 20 opponents that year, ending his career with 48 total pins. While both the season and career pin total were records of the time, Cramblet defeated his opponents by pin an astonishing 87% of the time in matches that Cramblet was victorious in. After trying out basketball during his freshmen year, Cramblet returned to the mat during his sophomore year, finishing his three year varsity wrestling career with a record of 55-27.

Cramblet's 1977 wrestling team finished the season 11-2 in dual meets, while also earning a third (3rd) place finish in the Class D State Wrestling Tournament that year. The 1977 wrestling team also captured the conference championship at Tri-County High School that year beating out Hesperia, who finished second in the conference that year. Cramblet finished as the conference champion in the 191 pound weight class in 1977.

After graduation from Holton High School, Cramblet went on to wrestle at Cornerstone University in Grand Rapids, MI, where he placed fourth (4th) in the nation in 1979 at the 195 pound weight class in the National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA).