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## Mrs. Shirley Spear: The Ultimate Wildcat

In any search for a 'greatest' Wildcat, one name that would have to appear at the top of the list is that of fourth through sixth grade language arts teacher, Mrs. Shirley

WLISD owes Mrs. Spear a debt of gratitude. Her students learn to write with precision and have excellent TAAS test scores. In fact Mrs. Spear is well known by teachers all over Texas because of TAAS writing workshops she presents from one end of the state to the other.

The 1998-99 school year marks the thirty-seventh year of her involvement with the Wink school system. During this time she has touched the lives of Wink students in very positive ways.

"A highlight of my teaching career is having taught long enough in one place to teach more than one generation of a family. Another is playing the piano at graduation each year and seeing the kids I taught in elementary graduate," said

Mrs. Spear's own family life is closely entwined with WLISD. Her late husband, Mr. Bill Spear, coached and taught in the high school, and her children are WHS alumni.



"Some of my most cherished memories are of Wink winning the state volleyball championship when my daughter, Dena Spear Dixon, was a sophomore, and of my daughter, Sheri Spear Drawhorn, being coached in the hurdles by her dad who was a state hurdle champion in 1952," said Mrs.

Mrs. Spear went on to say there is nothing quite like having two cheerleaders in the household at one time!

"I love Wink/Loving ISD, and I love all the people I have taught who are still living here. In thirty-seven years I have probably taught everyone in Wink or at least some of their relatives," said Mrs. Spear.

Mrs. Shirley Spear is truly the ultimate Wildcat.