

**Joseph R. Tarby Jr.**  
**President**  
**Woburn Pop Warner (MA)**

Joseph R. Tarby Jr. was born on July 12, 1926 in Everett, MA. During his High School years, Joe played on many fine Everett Football teams in the early forties before enlisting in the US Army during his junior year while at Everett High in 1944 to help defend our Nation. He rose to the rank of Sgt and served with the 6<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division in the Philippines during WWII. In a special Memorial Day Ceremony at Everett High School in 2011, Joe finally graduated from Everett High.

In September 1950 Joe got married to his late wife Barbara and settled down in Everett to raise a family. In 1956 Joe, Barbara and family moved to Woburn and soon after his three children (Joe III, Gail and Richard) became active in sports, Joe Tarby's legacy in Woburn sports began.

Coach Tarby has been coaching for over 50 years at the Midget level in the Woburn Pop Warner Football Program. During his tenure as head football coach, the Woburn Trojan Midgets had been crowned Middlesex League Champions 16 times. The Trojan "A" Team has been perennial play-off contender and under his guidance the Woburn Pop Warner program has been a dominant force in the EMASS Football Conference and continues to be the role model for many programs in the state.

Coach Tarby also has been a very active member of the Woburn program since joining the program along with his late wife Barbara, in 1962. Mr. Tarby has helped guide the program to great heights acting as President since 1973 and has helped the Woburn program become one of the most respected programs in the state. His hard work and dedication has touched the lives of thousands of

the young men and women in the Woburn and Winchester Community and has continually helped supply the Woburn High School Football Program through the years with the many fine athletes that have graced the field for the Tanners.

Joe also has been an active Board member of the EMASS Football Conference for the past 25 years and had been a former Middlesex League president along with being a former EMASS Football Conference President for 10 years. In the 70's, Coach Tarby was on staff for several years and served as a football coach and instructor at Armand Colombo's, Camp Monomoy in East Brewster, MA.

Football was not Joe's only ambition early on. Coach Tarby was also one of the founding fathers of Woburn Youth Hockey along with being a longtime Bantam Coach before retiring from the program in 1971. Joe also played hockey for many years in the semi-pro Mayflower League before staying with his calling in Woburn Football.

During the 60's to the early seventies, Coach Tarby was also a very active member of the Woburn Little League program and was a very successful manager with the Major White Sox for many years.

Joe has been a resident of Woburn for the past 56 years and continues to be an important part in touching many young people's lives.