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ALUMNI NEVER FORGET

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Once a student becomes a part of the Michigan tradition, it seems like there are University alumni around every corner. One example is Theodore "Ted" Cachey, CEO of TJ Cachey Builders, longtime Director at Marquette Bank in Chicago and the captain of the 1954 Michigan football team. Cachey is a native of Chicago and attended high school at Mount Carmel, a small Catholic school on the south side of the city. He was the captain of Carmel's football team and was recruited by numerous prestigious colleges, but chose Michigan for its reputation. "There were alumni in Chicago that were established, wonderful people – Madigan, Lampe – and they talked to me because I was a football player at Mt. Carmel High School. The alumni that invited me to go to Ann Arbor and visit the University impressed me." Cachey chose Michigan and attended the University on scholarship. He was also a member of the Newman Center at St. Mary's Student Parish and an employee of the Parrot Café on State Street for four years. During his senior year, the football team voted him captain. He cherished the opportunity and put his heart into the experience. "I liked being able to deal with fellow players that were disappointed in perhaps not playing in games that they thought they should play in. I liked being the mediator when players didn't always understand the coaches' reasoning and vice versa." Cachey had quite the experience being a captain — he had been the captain of every team he had played on from grade school through college. Cachey took this leadership ability and turned it into his future. He studied business administration at Michigan and is now the CEO of TJ Cachey Builders and is active with Marquette Bank's directors. He stays true to his Wolverine past even today, holding four season football tickets. "It's kind of a rough time to drive there, so I distribute the tickets to my children and sometimes we have people that both want to go the Ohio State game. It's a good tradition to have in the family and I like keeping it going, even if we can't always use the tickets ourselves." It has been 59 years since Ted Cachey left the University, but he has never forgotten what Michigan gave him.

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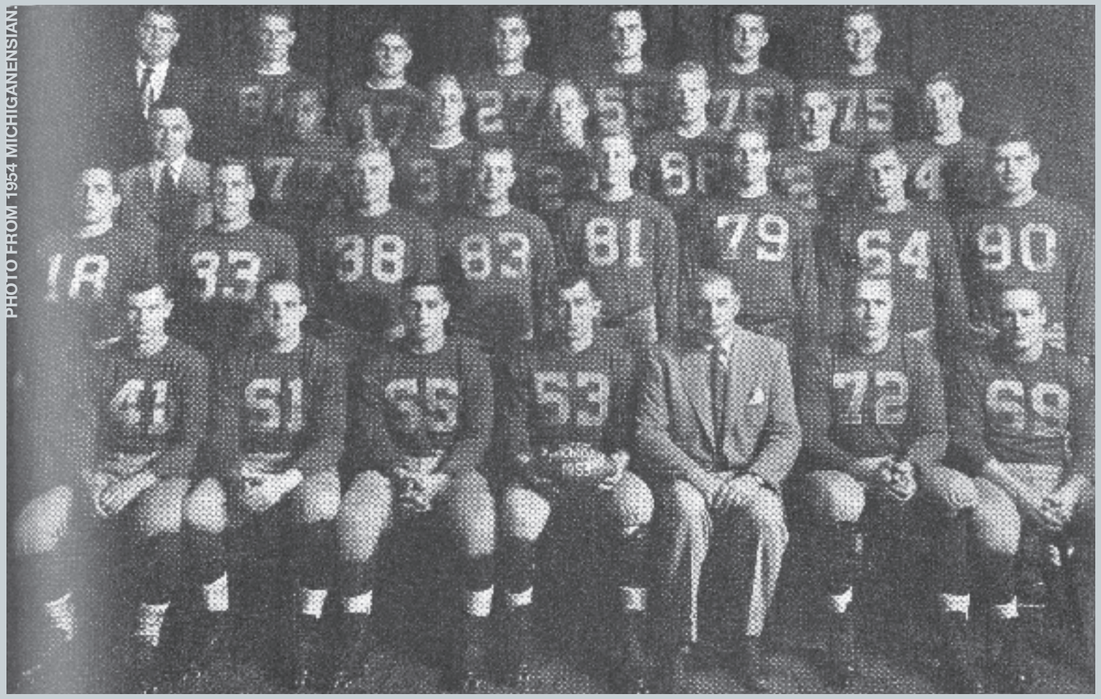

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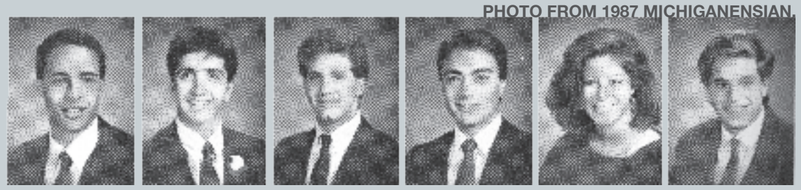

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FOREVER A WOLVERINE

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Geoffrey Kasselman may have graduated from the University of Michigan in 1987, but his graduation was just a stepping-stone in his relationship with the University. Born in Birmingham, Michigan, Kasselman always wanted to attend the University. "It was a Big Ten School and would allow me to achieve the most," said Kasselman. He wanted to make a difference in the world and knew that the University would give him that chance. After he graduated, Kasselman did not leave the University behind. It had allowed him to achieve so much and gave him so many opportunities that he decided to return and serve as a member of the Alumni Board of Directors for seven years. He also played a role on their Executive Committee. Kasselman said that he "was able to contribute to the University's environment and, as a result, benefited from its community," just as he did when he was a student. Furthermore, Kasselman gained lifelong friends while on the board and was lucky enough to work with Mary Sue Coleman. "I was able to learn what I might not have been able to learn if I had not had the experience." He proves that the University of Michigan continues to teach even those that are no longer students. He is also a prime example showing that students can learn a great deal from alumni. Kasselman is currently the Founder, President and CEO of Op2mize, LLC, a business that provides optimal commercial real estate strategies. When asked what advice he had for current students, Kasselman stressed entrepreneurship, knowledge in sustainability and the utilization of practical applications. "Students should realize that this is a global and digital world. They should take classes that they are interested in, but also know that they need to take classes to prepare them for the world." Kasselman would also agree that the University ensures that its graduates are prepared for the world because he is proof of just that.

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