## **ALLEN SMITH—Class of 1959**

Allen was one of the best middle weights to ever don the blue and white singlets. He wrestled for Russ Houk his sophomore year at 133 lbs. and finished with a 14-4 season record, won the District IV title and was runnerup at Regions. Team wise in 1957 they went 13-1, losing only to BEN, but capped off the year by winning the team District IV Championship.

Allen's junior year saw Wallace Maurer take over the reigns from Coach Houk and saw the team continue Muncys winning tradition. Allen moved up to 138 lb. and posted a season record of 19-3 and again won Districts and finished runner-up at Regionals. Team wise Muncy was 12-4 overall and placed second at the State College Invitational Tournament. Allen and teammate Gary Allen placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the tournament that invited 8 of Pennsylvania best wrestling programs.

Allen's senior season was his best and again he wrestled at 138 lb.. He recorded a 20-1 record, winning 20 matches in a row, with the big win being in the District IV final where he beat Glenn Getchen from Jersey Shore who also came into the match undefeated by a score of 5 to 3. He then finished his career by losing in the Regional finals for the third consecutive year. Team wise Muncy finished 9-3 and won the inaugural East Central Sectional Tournament in District IV. Allen also lettered twice in gymnastics. He was coached by George Sauers. He competed on the Parrell bars and on the trampoline.

Allen competed in wrestling while, he served in the Air Force. Wrestling for the Spangdaham Air Force Base in Germany. Allen won the Military Germans Sports Tournaments in 1962 & 1963 with 4-0 records. He also won the US Military European Sports Tournament in 1963 with a 4-0 record and finished runner-up in 1962 with a 3-1 log.

