

TBA Bandmaster of the Year 2009

Hubert A. "Butch" Almany

Hubert "Butch" Almany grew up in Nacogdoches, Texas, graduating from high school in 1960. He continued with his education in Nacogdoches attending Stephen F. Austin State University receiving his Bachelors of Science Degree with a Music Major in 1965 and Masters in Education in 1968.

Butch's teaching experiences took him to Shelbyville for one year, Overton for two years, Crockett for eight years and Lindale for twenty-two years.

His wife of 44 years, Naomi, was a Business Manager for the Crockett and Lindale School Districts until her retirement in 1995. Their children's careers have kept them in the schools as well. Daughter Elizabeth Bradshaw is teaching in Barcelona, Spain. Son Travis Almany is the Associate Director of Bands at Texas A & M University. Travis' wife Becky is an English teacher at Blinn College in Bryan, and granddaughter Ashley lives and works in Plano, Texas.

Bands under Butch's directorship at Lindale received consistent U.I.L. Sweepstakes Awards from 1975 through 1995. They were also consistent Region T.M.E.A. Honor Band recipients from 1978 to 1995. The Lindale Band finished in the top three in the State Honor Band competition in 1986, 1988 and 1990.

Band competitions at the Sea-Arama Festival in Galveston, Astroworld Festival in Houston, three times at the Smokey Mountain Music Festival in Gatlinberg, Tennessee and the Dogwood Arts Festival in Knoxville, Tennessee



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