

# Bill Blankenship

Bill Blankenship is an Oklahoma coaching legend with more than 40 years of football coaching experience, including 30 years as a high school head coach. After retiring from Owasso High School in December 2023, he returned to Owasso in December 2024 to again lead the Rams program. Over his high school head coaching career—at Eastwood Christian, Spiro, Edmond Memorial, Union, Fayetteville (Arkansas), and Owasso—his teams won six state championships and he compiled a 286–87 record. At the collegiate level, Blankenship served four seasons as the head coach at the University of Tulsa, where he led the Golden Hurricane to a conference championship and a Liberty Bowl title and also coached in the Armed Forces Bowl, finishing with a 24–27 record. He also spent five years as a collegiate assistant coach at Tulsa and Memphis, with bowl experiences that included the GMAC Bowls, Hawaii Bowl, and Birmingham Bowl. Raised in Spiro, Oklahoma, Blankenship graduated from Spiro High School and became a University of Tulsa football letterman. He married Angie in 1978, and they have three sons, three daughters-in-law, and 13 grandchildren.

## Short Bio

Bill Blankenship is a veteran football coach with 40 years of coaching experience, including 30 years as a high school head coach. He has led programs at Eastwood Christian, Spiro, Edmond Memorial, Union, Fayetteville (AR), and Owasso, winning six state championships and posting a 286–87 record. Blankenship also served as head coach at the University of Tulsa, where he won a conference championship and a Liberty Bowl title. Blankenship has also coached collegiately at Memphis. A Spiro, Oklahoma native and University of Tulsa letterman, he and his wife Angie (married 1978) have three sons and 13 grandchildren.

