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MITCHEAL KEITH BARNES ON TECH GRID TEAM

BLACKSBURG, Va. -- Mitcheal Barnes of Courtland, a former standout at Southampton High in two varsity sports, is a member of the 1975 Virginia Tech football team.

An all-district quarterback and member of the Eastern Virginia all-star football team, Barnes was the No. 1 quarterback for Tech's junior varsity his freshman year. As a sophomore, he came on to letter for the varsity despite a nagging knee injury which somewhat impaired his effectiveness.

During spring drills this year Barnes acquitted himself very well and remains in contention for the starting quarterback job. Not especially big or fast he provides a determination and consistancy which led coach Jimmy Sharpe to remark ... "I was pleased with the way he responded under the gun last year, and I'll never hesitate to go to war with him again".

Barnes is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Barnes, Rt. 1, Box 309, Courtland, Virginia.

The Hokies open their second season under coach Jimmy Sharpe on the road against the University of Kentucky on Sept. 13 and Kent State on the 20th before returning home to Blacksburg on the 27th against the University of Richmond.

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