

A Profile of Dr. E. Gaylon McCollough

Dr. E. Gaylon McCollough is uniquely qualified to write a revealing book about The University of Alabama's football program and the legendary Coach Paul "Bear Bryant.

McCollough was an Academic All-American Center on Coach Bryant's 1964 national championship team and was drafted by the Dallas Cowboys of the National Football League. Foregoing the NFL offer, McCollough entered medical school at UAB. Two years later the owner of the Atlanta Falcons farm team came calling. The doctor-in-training answered and—while fulfilling his duties as a full time medical student—was selected to the All-Pro Team of the National Professional Football League of America.

In time, Dr. McCollough became one of Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant's confidants and personal surgeon. When Bryant decided to step down, he asked his former student and friend to play a role in hiring his successor and to monitor the inevitable rocky transition that the Coach predicted would follow.

Dr. McCollough is internationally renowned in his chosen field of facial plastic surgery and has authored nine books, three of which deal with ways to enhance conditions that make us human. In addition he travels the globe lecturing and sharing his skills and insight with colleagues.

McCollough is listed in the National Registry of *Who's Who in America* and among the "*Best Doctors in America*" and "*America's Top Plastic Surgeons*". In a feature article chronicling his many accomplishments, one international professional publication labeled Dr. McCollough a "Renaissance Man."

McCollough is married to the former Susan Nomberg (Miss Alabama, 1962). In 2011, the couple celebrated their 46th anniversary. They have two married children (Stedmann and Chanee) and six grandchildren.

The McCollough's live in Gulf Shores, Alabama, where Dr. McCollough operates the McCollough Institute for Appearance and Health. The couple resides at MacLand Ranch, a breeding haven for registered Tennessee Walking Horses and the site of Susan's art studio.

Proceeds from the sale of *THE LONG SHADOW OF COACH PAUL "BEAR" BRYANT* will go to establish a career planning center for student-athletes at the University of Alabama.