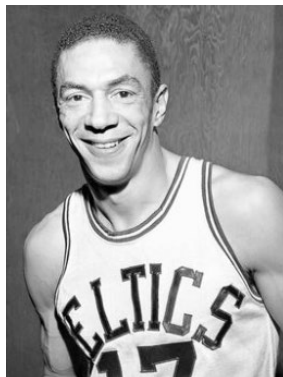
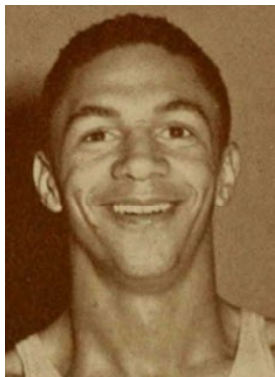


## DON BARKSDALE



BORN: March 21, 1923 Oakland, CA  
 DIED: March 8, 1993 Oakland, CA (69 years old)

### Berkeley HS, CA (class of 1940)

#### Marin JC

- 1942 National high jump co-champion
- 1942 National long jump champion
- 1942 State high jump champion
- 1942 State long jump runnerup

#### US Army

- 1944 AAU triple jump champion
- 1944 Junior AAU triple jump champion

#### UCLA

- Lettered 1947

#### Basketball

- Lettered 1943, 1947
- 1947 All-America selection becoming first African-American to be named All-America
- 1943 All-Pacific Coast Conf Southern Division 2<sup>nd</sup> team

#### Oakland Bittners (AAU)

#### Basketball

- 1948 first African-American selected on USA Olympic basketball team
- 1948 Olympics Gold medal
- 1949 Pan American Games Gold medal
- 4-time All-AAU selection

#### NBA

- 4 seasons, 1952-55, 11.0 points per game, 8.0 rebounds per game
- 1953 first African-America selected to play in NBA All-Star Game

#### Best Marks

1941 Marin JC	HJ 6-2 1/4	1942 Marin JC	LJ 23-0
1942 Marin JC	HJ 6-4 1/2	1943 Camp Lee	LJ 22-4 1/2
1943 Camp Lee	HJ 6-3 1/4	1947 UCLA	LJ 24-5
1944 Camp Lee	HJ 6-5	1948 Bittners	LJ 24-8 1/2
1945 Camp Ross	HJ 6-6		
1946 unatt	HJ 6-2	1942 Marin JC	TJ 44-11
1947 UCLA	HJ 6-4 1/4	1944 Camp Lee	TJ 47-2 3/4
1948 Bittners	HJ 6-6	1945 Camp Ross	TJ 46-6 1/2
		1948 Bittners	TJ 46-10 3/4

<p><b><u>High School</u></b> 1940 Alameda Co Ath Lea HJ 3rd ---</p> <p><b><u>JC/Frosh</u></b> 1942 West Coast Rlys HJ 3tie --- 1942 NoCal JC HJ 1st 6-2 1942 National JC HJ 1tie 6-4 1/4</p> <p>1942 NoCal JC LJ 2nd --- 1942 National JC LJ 1st 23-0</p> <p>1942 National JC JT 5th 168-9</p>	<p><b><u>Open</u></b> 1942 Pac Assn AAU HJ 2tie 6-3 1943 Penn Relays HJ 3tie 6-3 1/4 1944 AAU HJ 6tie 6-4 1945 Coliseum Relays HJ 1tie 6-6 1945 Pas Games HJ 1st 6-4 1945 AAU HJ 5tie 6-3 3/4 1946 Comp Invit HJ 2tie 6-2 1947 West Coast Rlys HJ 1st 6-3 3/4 1947 Coliseum Relays HJ 2tie 6-4 1948 West Coast Rlys HJ 1st 6-6 1948 Coliseum Relays HJ 3tie 6-4 1948 Calif Rlys HJ 4tie 6-3 3/4 1948 Comp Invit HJ 1st 6-6 1951 Pac Assn AAU HJ 3tie 6-2</p>	<p><b><u>Open cont.</u></b> 1943 Penn Relays LJ 5th 22-4 1/2 1947 West Coast Rlys LJ 2nd 24-5 1947 Coliseum Relays LJ 4th 23-5 1/4 1948 West Coast Rlys LJ 2nd 24-8 1/2 1948 Calif Rlys LJ 2nd 23-5 1/4 1948 Coliseum Relays LJ 3rd 23-3 1/4</p> <p>1942 Pac Assn AAU TJ 2nd 44-11 1944 Jr AAU TJ 1st 46-3 1/2 1944 AAU TJ 1st 47-2 1/4 1945 AAU TJ 2nd 45-6 1/2 1948 West Coast Rlys TJ 2nd 46-10 3/4 1948 Calif Rlys TJ 3rd 45-0</p>
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### Miscellaneous

- Member of Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame
- Bay Area Radio Hall of Fame for his work in broadcast industry
- Radio disc jockey and television musical variety host
- Bay Area Sports Hall of Fame
- Owner/operator of jazz and rhythm blues club that featured such stars as Lou Rawls, Ike & Tina Turner, B.B. King, Dinah Washington, Jackie Wilson and others
- Founder of the Save High School Sports Foundation in Bay Area which raised more than \$1 million dollars prior to his death
- Owned a record store in Los Angeles while in college