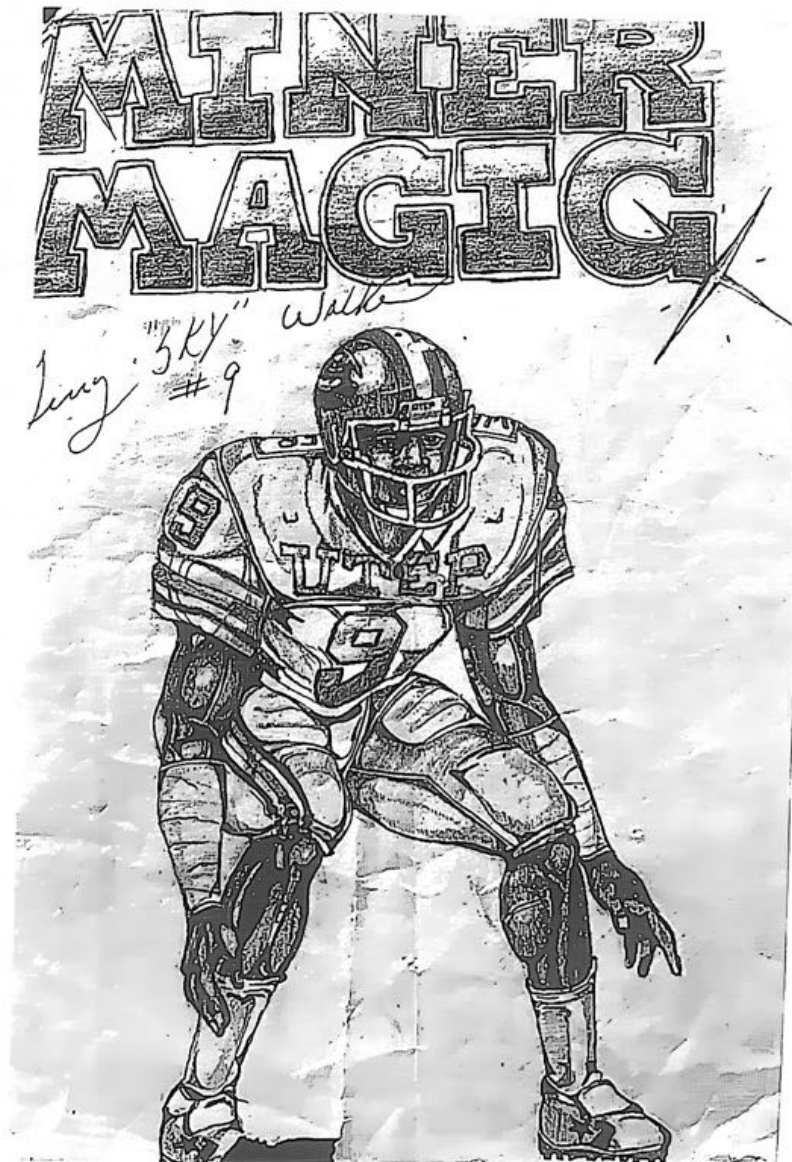


TERRY WALKER

- \*1987 UTEP 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-Conference Safety-Western Athletic Conference (WAC)
- \*1988 UTEP 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Conference Safety-Western Athletic Conference (WAC)
- \*1988 Mizlou Senior All America
- \*1988 Captain of Greatest Team in UTEP's History (10-3)
- \*1988 WAC Player of the Week vs Hawaii- 8 tackles, 1 for Loss, 1 pass deflection, 2 interceptions
- \*1988 WAC Player of the Week vs Air Force- 31 total tackles (23 solo, 8 assists)
- \*1988 Independence Bowl Shreveport, La- 6 tackles, 2 interceptions
- \*UTEP Top 10 in career interceptions (16 total)
- \*2023 Inductee into UTEP' Hall of Fame as a member of the 1988 Football Team



## Consideration Letter for EP Athletic Hall of Fame Induction for Terry Walker

Dear Hall of Fame Selection Committee,

I am writing to avidly support the induction of Terry Walker into the El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame. As a former UTEP football player who has closely followed Terry's remarkable career, I can attest to his outstanding contributions and achievements in the sport of football.

Terry Walker has demonstrated exceptional skill, leadership, and sportsmanship throughout his career. He consistently performed at the highest level, earning numerous accolades and accomplishments during his college career. He was selected 2<sup>nd</sup> team all WAC safety in 1987, 1<sup>st</sup> team all WAC safety in 1988, Mizlou All American in 1988, UTEP team captain in 1988 and defensive WAC player of the week twice during the 1988 season (Hawaii and Air Force games), He also had 6 tackles and 2 interceptions in the 1988 Independence Bowl.

Beyond his on-field accomplishments, Terry Walker has exemplified the true spirit of the sport. He has been a role model for young athletes, inspiring them with his dedication, work ethic, and commitment to excellence. His positive influence extends beyond his playing days with UTEP football, as he has also been actively involved in the coaching community with youth football and individual skills training of young athletes, making a lasting impact off the field as well.

Terry Walker's legacy is one of greatness, both as an athlete and as a person. He has left an indelible mark on the sport and has earned the respect and admiration of peers, coaches, and fans alike. Inducting him into the El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame would not only honor his extraordinary career but also serve as an inspiration to future generations of athletes.

In conclusion, I strongly believe that Terry Walker is a deserving candidate for the Athletic Hall of Fame. His achievements, character, and contributions to the sport of football make him an exemplary choice for this prestigious honor.

Thank you for considering this nomination. Please feel free to contact me if you require any further information or additional support for Terry Walker's induction.

Respectfully,

Mike Perez

Former UTEP QB 89-93 – perez\_michael@sbcglobal.net

March 6, 2025

To the Selectors of the El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame

Thank you for the opportunity to nominate Terry Walker into the El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame. I have had the pleasure of knowing Terry for twenty-eight years, both on a professional and personal level. I am proud to say I have observed Terry be successful in everything he does and he is passionate, deeply invested in many responsibilities off and on the field.

While he was employed at the U.S. Probation Office, Western District of Texas, El Paso Division, Terry was an exceptional and outstanding leader where he spearheaded many projects and teams. One example of his brilliant leadership was leading the district as the head firearms instructor with just 200 federal probation officers. Additionally, Terry was also certified as a national firearms instructor at the national training academy in Charleston, South Carolina.

Terry has much pride in serving his country as he was a reserve in the U.S. Marine Corps and U.S. Navy (Retired). During his service, Terry was twice deployed to the Persian Gulf during Operation Enduring Freedom. Further, during his military service, Terry was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal on three occasions.

Finally, Terry is known for his love and passion for sports. Terry was a star athlete while playing football at the University of Texas at El Paso where he helped his team reach the 1988 Independence Bowl. Shortly prior and since his retirement from the U.S. Probation Office, he became a coach and leader not only to his two children but other children in the El Paso community. For instance, Terry has been the President and Head Coach of the EP Stars Sports Youth Organization since 2015, coaching and mentoring over 100 young boys and girls in flag football, tackle football, and basketball. Terry has a magnetic personality and a warm, approachable manner when dealing with his young athletes. He brings a charismatic and outgoing energy to the kids each and every day. Terry has always been fully committed to not only helping young kids developing into great athletes, but most importantly, respectable young citizens.

I highly recommend Terry for the El Paso Hall of Fame, he is worthy of this high honor!

Sincerely

*David Natividad*

10400 Amado Place  
El Paso, TX 79927

March 6, 2025

To Whom It May Concern,

Thank you for allowing me to express my viewpoint as to why Terry Walker is the perfect nominee to be inducted into the prestigious El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame. I have had the great pleasure of knowing Terry both professionally and personally since 1988. We first met at the University of Texas as fellow students. I immediately saw the leadership traits that made him stand out as a person of integrity, and one with high moral standards.

At the time, although Terry was one of the star players on the very successful 1988 UTEP football team, he was humble and unassuming as a student athlete. He did not walk around campus with any sense of arrogance or entitlement, despite being an All-American football player. The person that I befriended was actually more focused on academics than sports. I'm sure the committee is aware of his accomplishments on the field, to include what I consider one of the coolest statistics recorded, with two interceptions against HOF Quarterback Bret Farve in the 1988 Independence Bowl! That event certainly speaks to his commitment to athletic excellence.

I was also fortunate enough to work with Terry in the U.S. Probation Office in the Western District of Texas for over 20 years, and as a fellow military veteran. The leadership traits he demonstrated were not limited to his integrity as a person who carries himself as an honest and hard working man of God. He had courage to stand up for the people who are not represented well or are not treated with respect and dignity. His humility and empathy in the El Paso community while working with people who have struggled with drug addictions, mental health issues, and those who were caught up in the criminal justice system was exemplary.

He was the person who would step forward and take charge of any situation when a leader was needed. I truly believe that the discipline that was instilled in him through sports made him a top notch Probation Officer, and enabled him to make a positive difference in hundreds of lives within our community.

Terry continues to serve the community by coaching youth Basketball and Football where he is now instilling and empowering his leadership traits in our future leaders. He accomplishes this through influential, motivational communication tunneled through the discipline of sports. It should be noted that Terry runs his sports clubs without asking for any monetary compensation for his time and expertise due to his selfless nature which is just another testimony to his attributes.

I do not hesitate to recommend Terry Walker for this distinguished honor of being a member of the El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,  
Otis L Martin  
Supervising U;S; Probation Officer, (RET)  
[Olism300@gmail.com](mailto:Olism300@gmail.com)  
(915) 227-6485

To the El Paso Hall of Fame Committee,

I'm introducing myself as a dear friend of Terry Walker. My name is Randy Baker and I'm a retired Army First Sergeant and War veteran that served over 23 years of armed service. I met Terry the summer of 2000 and we became teammates and friends which has lasted until this day. Terry has been a staple to this city for years even after having a stellar football career at the University of Texas at El Paso but also with the youth in the community. He has coached both basketball and football ever since I've known him and has impacted all of their lives even my own.

Terry Walker's football career at UTEP speaks for itself but it's what he has done after his career was over. I'm still sure if he was playing in this era of athlete's he would've been a professional football player in the NFL due to the options that are available today. He also served as a Probation Officer within the city and made tremendous contributions where he retired with honors.

Terry's biggest impact was when my wife suffered from cancer and his steady friendship and late-night phone calls kept me moving forward with our process of surviving. We played Adult Men's league basketball together for over 15 of the 25 years I've known him and we've lost a total of 12 games. That was a feat but it was his friendship and support that carried me and my family through it all.

In closing Terry and I are coaching youth basketball together and he brought me along to assist him. Again, he's helping me even after all these years. People around the city call him "Coach" and I call him my friend.

I strongly recommend Terry walker to be selected into the El Paso Hall of Fame and thank you for your time.

Truly

Randy Baker

US Army (retired)



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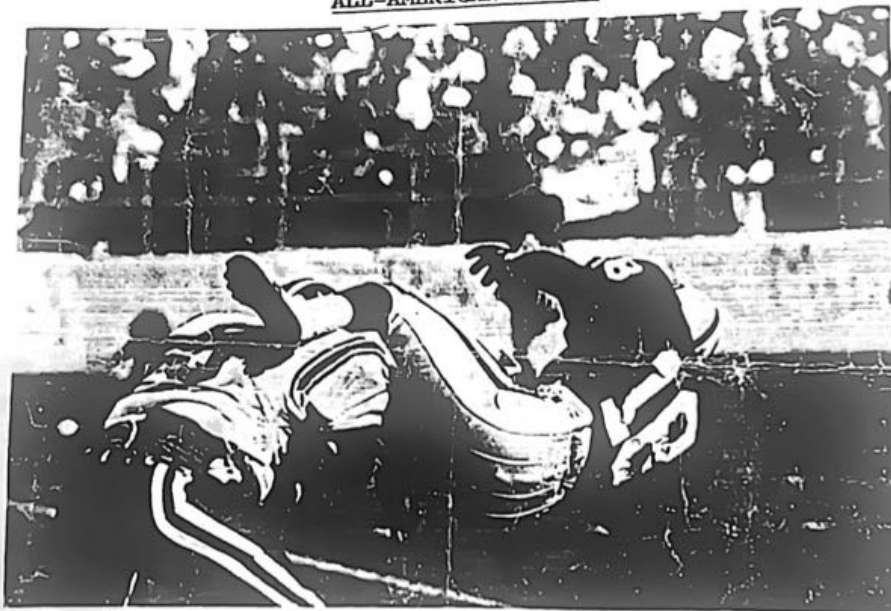
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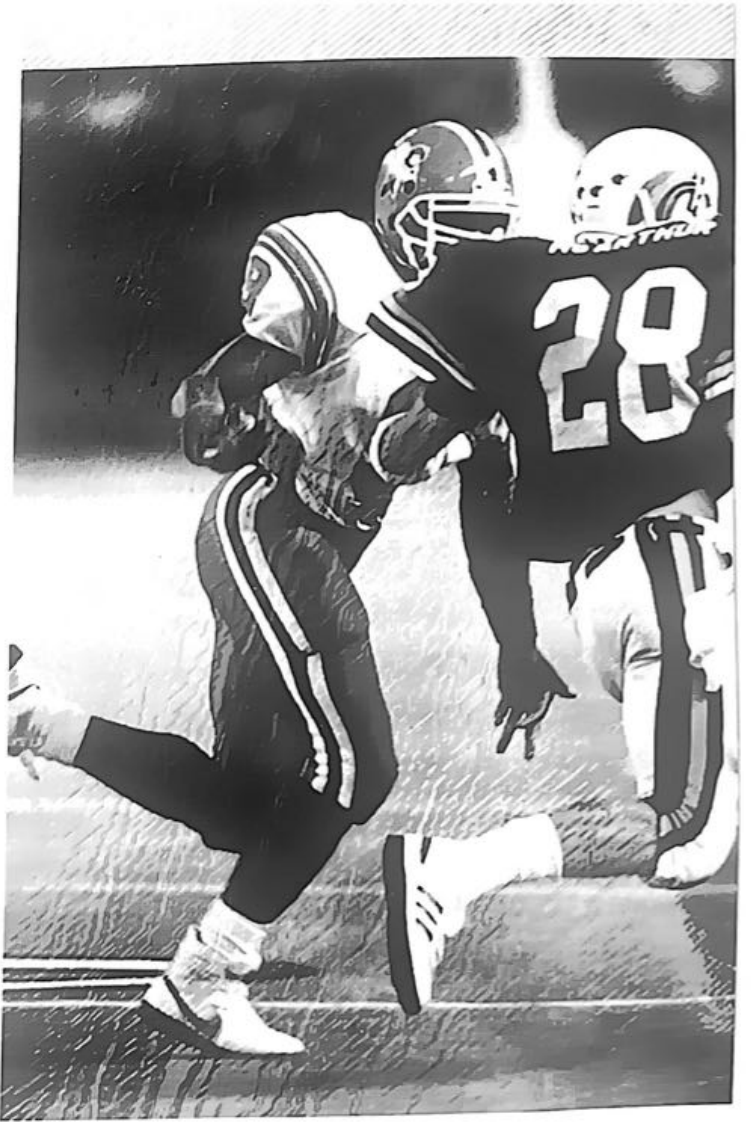
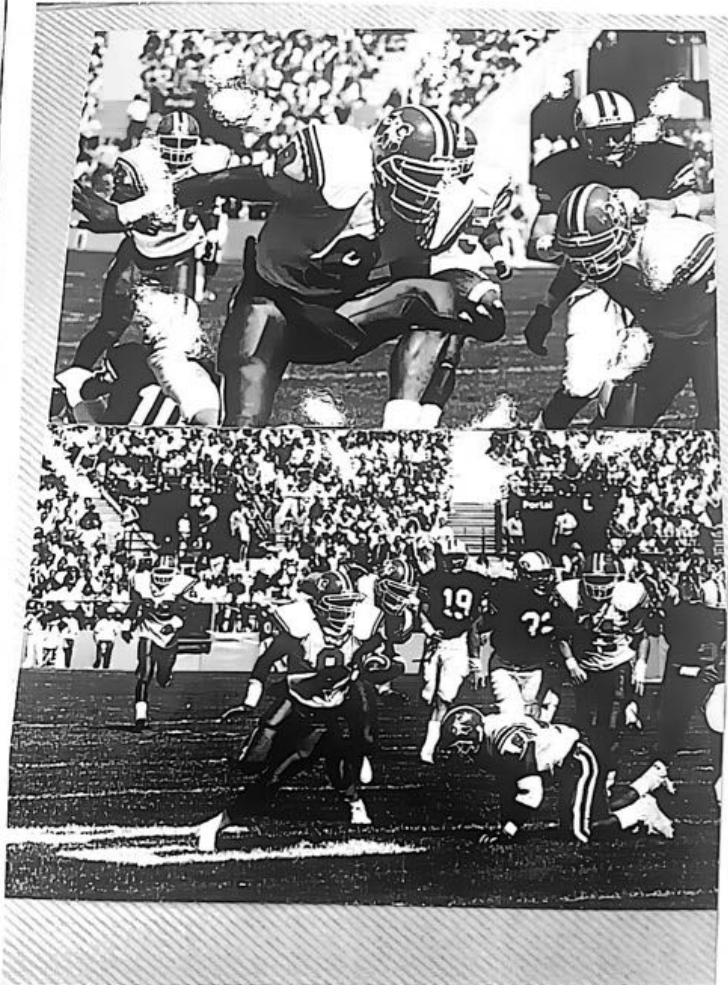


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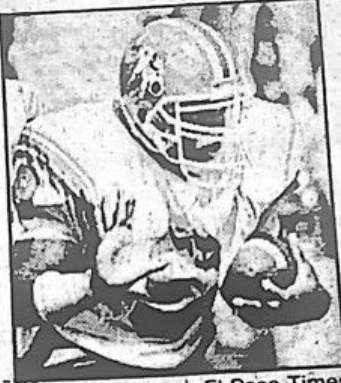
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Height: 6'0"  
Weight: 200

Birth Date: June 29, 1967  
Home Town: Garland, Texas  
Major: Criminal Justice



# UTEP defense intercepting more passes

By Don Henry  
El Paso Times



El Paso Times

Three times last week, Tulsa quarterback T.J. Rubley threw downfield, only to see the football coming back in his direction in enemy hands. Not only is the defensive secondary on UTEP's football team guarding against passes, it's returning them.

"We're picking off a few," was the way strong safety Terry Walker assessed the Miners' defensive performance as he and his teammates prepared for another passing team.

Saturday night, the passer will be the nation's total offense leader, Utah sophomore quarterback Scott Mitchell, who is averaging more than 30 completions and 400 yards a game. UTEP will play host to the pass-

**Terry Walker has two interceptions this year, 12 in his UTEP career.**

oriented Utes in the Sun Bowl after two playing weeks on the road.

The Miners, in four games, have faced three passing teams: Weber State, Brigham Young and Tulsa. They have given up seven passing touchdowns, but they have picked off eight passes. Every game they have intercepted at least

Please see UTEP / 7C

## Miner defensive back plans to give Aztecs' Santos a good look

By Don Henry  
El Paso Times

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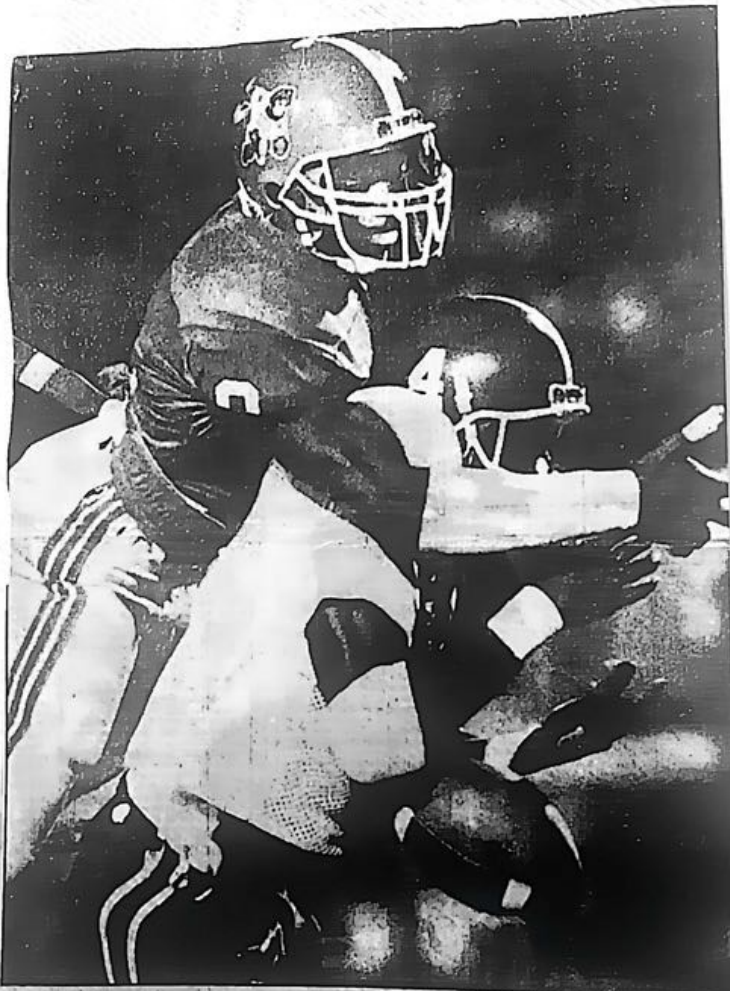
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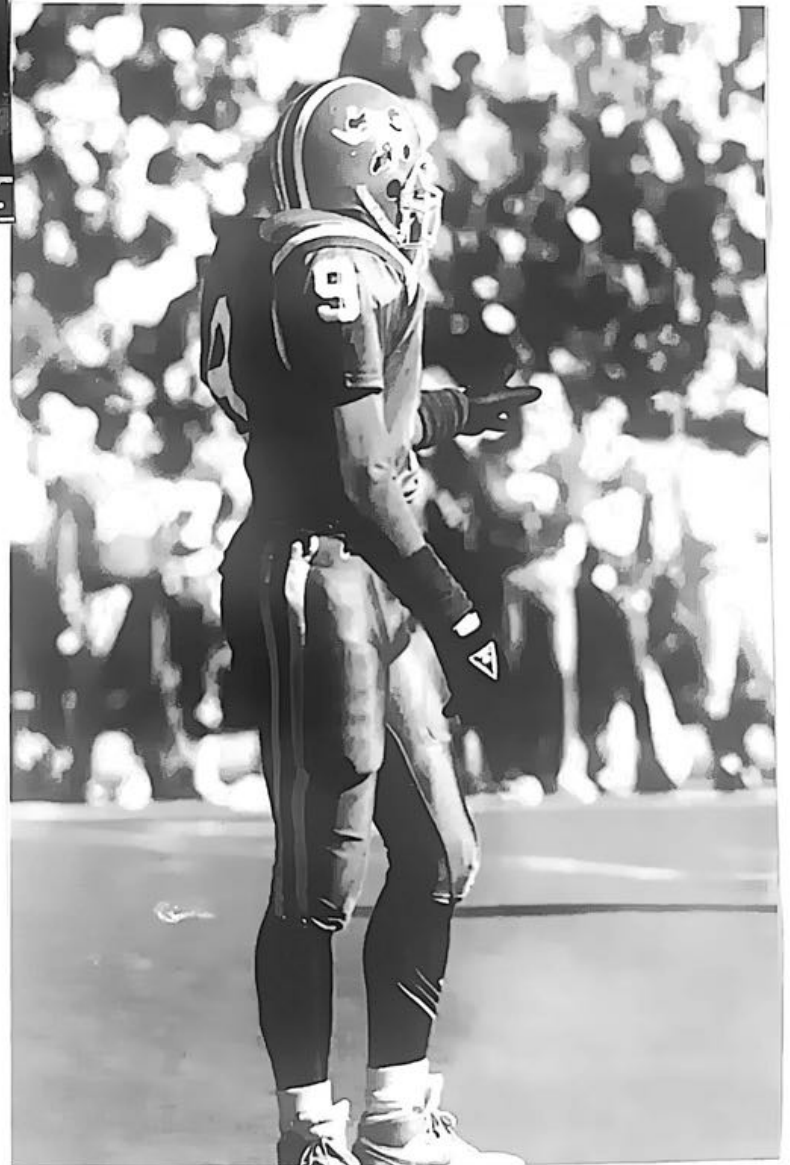






Victor Calzada / El P

Minor safety Terry Walker breaks up a pass intended for Lamar wide receiver K during the third quarter Saturday night at the Sun Bowl

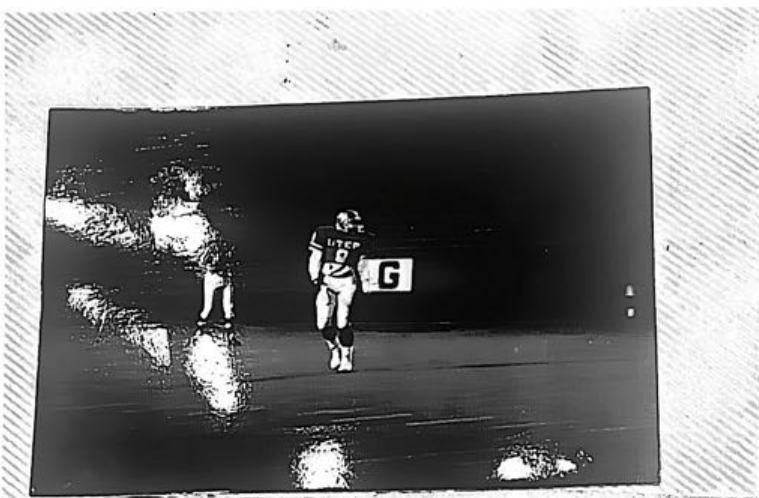




**Miner defensive back plans to give Aztecs' Santos a good look**

By Don Eads  
El Paso Herald-Post

Terry Walker plans to look for a lot of opportunities to stop the Aztecs' quarterback Dee Dowis in the next few weeks. Walker, a senior defensive back, will be playing at home Saturday night. He is one of the best defensive backs in the Western Athletic Conference. Walker has been a starter since he came to UTEP in 1986. He has been a starter in all three seasons. Walker has three interceptions and has helped the Miners to a 15-10 record. Walker has a chance to reach the Hall of Fame. Walker has a chance to reach the Hall of Fame. Walker has a chance to reach the Hall of Fame.



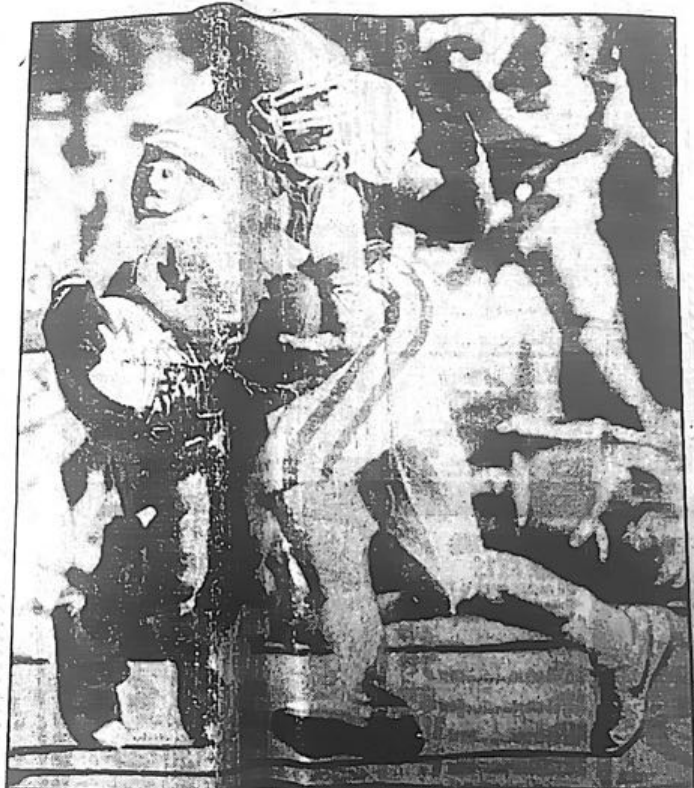
**UTEP becoming top defense**

By Derry Eads  
El Paso Herald-Post sports writer

By 1989, Mike Church would like to see the UTEP '89 football defense ranked No. 1 in the Western Athletic Conference. Considering the progress the Miners have made in that direction in the past three years — from ninth to third — the UTEP defensive coordinator's goal appears to be realistic. "The offense will lose a lot of seniors this year, so we need to help carry the team next year," said Church. The Miners have seven

starters back from a defense that allowed just 351.5 yards and 21.3 points per game last year. The entire secondary is back, which was primarily responsible for the league's No. 1 pass coverage. Next year, UTEP should have seven returning starters plus seven others that will play key roles. "We've got more like 15 or 16 starters," Church said, "depending on the team that we're playing. For instance, we'll play six to seven defensive backs." The defense is cemented by all-league candidates Terry Walker, Doug Morgan

and Tony Tolbert. "Walker is the best defensive player on the team," emphasized Church of the defensive back. "We're going to try to get him into situations where he can make more plays and become a more dominant player." Morgan has led the team in tackles the past two years with 276. The junior linebacker has gained 220 pounds and figures to be stronger against the run. Tolbert, a 6-foot-6, 211-pound outside linebacker, impressed pro scouts with his play. SEE UTEP BACK OF SECTION



Rudy Gutierrez / El Paso Times

UTEP safety Terry Walker was in on 25 tackles Saturday. Here, he stopped quarterback Dee Dowis.

## Education

1981-1985: Lakeview Centennial High School; Garland, Texas; Diploma

1985-1992: UTEP; Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice, December 1992

## Employment

September 2010-October 2017 (Retired): Senior U.S. Probation Officer-Western District of Texas-El Paso; Lead Firearms Instructor for over 200 Federal Probation Officers

August 1997-September 2010: U.S. Probation Officer-Western District of Texas-El Paso; Supervision of federal offenders to ensure compliance with the court-imposed conditions of supervision, as well as monitoring further risks to the community.

April 1994-August 1997: County Probation Officer-El Paso; Supervision of a felony and misdemeanor caseload ensuring compliance with the court-imposed conditions of supervision, as well as monitoring further risks to the community.



## Military Service

1991-1998; Member of the Marine Corps Reserves

1998-2015 (Retired): Member of the United States Navy Reserves

Twice Deployed to the Persian Gulf during Operation Enduring Freedom, 2005-2006; 2013-2014

2009-2015: Small Arms Firearms Instructor United States Navy Reserves

Three-time Recipient of the Navy Achievement Medal

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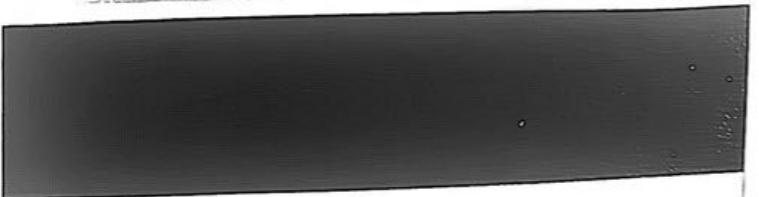
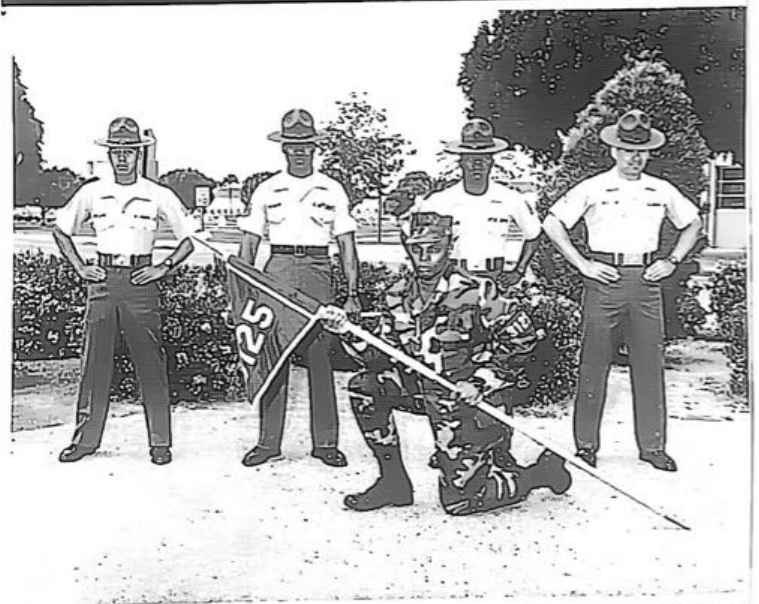
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To: Private Terry W. Walker, Platoon 3125, Kilo Company,  
Third Recruit Training Battalion, MCRD, San Diego  
Via: Company Commander, Kilo Company, Third Recruit Training  
Battalion, MCRD, San Diego

Subj: LETTER OF APPRECIATION

1. I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for the superb work you did at the MOTO TALK with "M" Company Receiving Barrack recruits on 14 March. Your high degree of motivation was evident in your decorum, bearing and in the sincere and straight forward manner in which you addressed the Receiving Barracks recruits. Your comments were insightful and persuasive, and your answers to questions were honest and articulate. Your session with the Receiving Barracks recruits was a definite strong point in the program and served to make the program effective.

2. Thank you for a JOB WELL DONE. Congratulations as you graduate and best wishes for a successful enlistment among America's Finest. SEMPER FIDELIS!

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# Football star turns in cleats for combat boots

By Cpt. Judith Siegler

When college athletes are faced with the possibility of leaving professional, they sometimes spend weeks thinking, trying out and talking through offers. One such departing football star did something a bit more unique in his situation. He joined the United States Marine Corps.

Private Terry Walker, Platoon 1125, Company K, began pivoting from hill to hill and continued pivoting for Lubbock, Southern High School, Crawford, Texas. During his senior year he was team captain and Most Valuable Player for 1987.

While playing college football for the University of Texas, UT-Pan, Walker was recruited as a Texas sports radio channel's All-American team. He received a plaque from the channel before UT-Pan played the University of Southern Mississippi in the Independence Bowl. He was also selected to All-Conference (Western Athletic Conference) during his junior and senior years.

Walker's senior year also brought an event that college players dream of. During his senior year at UT-Pan (1989), he won such awards from the Denver Broncos, Cincinnati Bengals, Houston Oilers, Dallas Cowboys, Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Seattle Seahawks and a few others. About 18 more at, Walker said. "The most come up for, unfortunately, I wasn't on it."

Although he seems a popular college star, Walker is humble and down to earth. "I just got a call the day after the draft from Seattle. They wanted to contract me as a free agent," Walker said. "I was sure after that I got a call from Seattle. They also wanted to sign me for free money, but I just couldn't do it. I was wrong to walk out on my school with other men, but I couldn't do it. I was wrong to walk out on my school with other men, but I couldn't do it. I was wrong to walk out on my school with other men, but I couldn't do it."

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Private Terry Walker as he appeared in 1987 on the University of Texas-Panhandle. (Photo courtesy of Pfc. Terry Walker)



Pvt. Walker as he appears today in recruit training here. He is the platoon leader for Platoon 1125, Company K. (Photo by Cpt. Judith Siegler)

## Sports

### Talk

#### Intramural Softball

All active-duty personnel aboard the base are eligible to play a team into this year's intramural softball league which will begin April 27.

The league will be governed by Amateur Softball Association rules and can consist of an unlimited number of teams.

Teams must be composed of personnel joined by a Deyce Order or secondary entry to the organization which the team represents.

Teams desiring to enter the league must submit their entry to the Recreation Branch no later than 3:45 p.m. Thursday.

A coaches meeting is scheduled for 11 a.m. Friday at Seaman Field. Attendance is mandatory.

#### Sockers

Big Buddy Night: The San Diego Sockers will kick off their 6th annual Big Buddy Night campaign, hoping to break last year's record of 6,000 tickets distributed. Big Buddy Night will be held Thursday at the San Diego Sports Arena when the Sockers face off against the Tacoma Stars. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

Big Buddy Night is the one evening where the Sockers make regularly priced \$10.00 tickets available for sponsorship by local companies and individuals for only \$4. The tickets are then donated to deserving charities and community service groups, enabling many San Diegoans to attend their favorite Sockers' game.

#### Monthly Golf

The Athletic Department sponsors a golf competition every month for active-duty military personnel here. This month's tournament is scheduled for Wednesday at Admiral Baker North Golf Course. Tee-off time is 9 a.m. Reserve your tee time now. For more information call the Athletics Department at 524-6026.

#### Fun Run

Run with the Marines! at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, April 6, is either a 10K, run or two-mile fun run. The event is sponsored by the Marine Corps and the National Council on Alcoholism, San Diego. Entry fees are \$13 for the 10K and \$10 for the fun run.

Trophies will be awarded to the first man and woman to cross the finish line in the 10K. A special award will be given to the winner of the fun run.

Delicious and different refreshments will be at the finish line. Top quality T-shirts will be given away and a prize drawing will also be held. Check-in starts at 7 a.m. and the race starts at 8 a.m. For more information call 524-6026.





## Community Service Experience

\*2015-Present Co-Founder of the EP Stars Youth Sports Organization, mentoring, developing, and teaching Life Skills as well as coaching flag football, tackle football, and basketball to over 100 young boys and girls in far east El Paso, Texas. We are a Faith based organization, and our mission is to encourage youth development by providing opportunities for personal and athletic growth through recreational activities. We promote good sportsmanship, self-esteem, solid academics, fundamental skill set development, the importance of teamwork, and a charitable attitude from our players. Our team's success is based on everyone's BEST EFFORT, INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTABILITY, and TRUST in ONE ANOTHER. Our goal is to EDUCATE, MOTIVATE, and INSPIRE!!!

\*2023-Present Volunteer assistant at the Ysleta Independent School District.

**Coach Terry = Pot of Gold at Rainbow's End!!! Best Football Coach ever!!**





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