

## MELISSA CROWLEY PRICE

*1987, lacrosse*

Price was a standout in both field hockey and lacrosse for the Warriors. Her promise as a high school athlete was shown early. She holds the distinction of being the first freshman in school history to earn a varsity field hockey letter.

During her senior year, Price was a co-captain, most valuable player and the recipient of the Morris 110% award in both sports. She was named a Boston Globe All-Scholastic in field hockey. That year Wayland won the second of two straight state titles in lacrosse and won the Dual County League crown in field hockey.



Along the way, she was a first-team Eastern Massachusetts All-Star twice in lacrosse, a DCL All-Star in field hockey and the program's all-time leading scorer in field hockey. Price continued her athletic excellence at the collegiate level at Hobart & William Smith Colleges. She was a two-time All-American in field hockey and lacrosse. Her field hockey team, which she captained her senior year, made four straight appearances in the NCAA Tournament, including one showing in the national championship game. Price was team MVP as a senior. In lacrosse, she was Division III NCAA Offensive Player of the Year as a senior as well as being her squad's MVP. Price's teams were New York state champions for three years and NCAA semifinalists three times and finalists one year.

Price was inducted into The William Smith Hall of Honor in 2003. Price credits coaches Donna Olson and Laurie Griffin for inspiring her to achieve the success at both the high school and collegiate level that she enjoyed. She is especially grateful to Laurie for introducing her to the game of lacrosse, and for the confidence she instilled in her as a young woman.



"I would like to thank my teammates who helped create these successful years at WHS. Many of them are lifelong friends and together we cherish the memories and accomplishments we created. I share this night with them," Price said. "Most importantly, my gratitude goes to my mom and dad, who provided a home environment filled with unconditional love and support. By example, they both instilled in me a healthy competitive spirit, a hard work ethic, good sportsmanship and, most importantly, how to believe in myself and treat others fairly." Melissa and Penry Price are the parents of Cole (15) and Charlotte (12).