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## Oral History Interview with Dave Kindred On June 19, 2019 Conducted by Gary Pomerantz

- 00:00:00 Pomerantz introducing Dave Kindred and his accomplishments
- 00:03:20 Kindred discussing Minor Meyers wanting to build a statue of him
- 00:04:47 Kindred talking about his hometown in Atlanta, IL
- 00:07:23 Kindred discussing his grandmother and her grandparents' tavern growing up
- 00:10:30 Kindred talking about his mother and father and their influence on him
- 00:12:36 Kindred discussing going to church and his spirituality in his writing
- 00:14:13 Kindred discussing his interest in WWII after his father's involvement

00:16:52 - Kindred discussing ways he is similar to his father; his hard-work and confidence in his writing

- 00:18:33 Kindred discussing a column he wrote about his father and the scene described in it
- 00:21:23 Kindred talking about what inspired him to become a writer
- 00:23:21 Kindred talking about what sports he played as a child
- 00:25:00 Kindred talking about "Eisenhower Years" growing up and his high school experience
- 00:26:59 Kindred discussing why he decided to attend Illinois Wesleyan
- 00:29:58 Kindred discussing his extracurricular activities at IWU
- 00:31:35 Kindred talking about baseball and playing with Doug Rader
- 00:33:32 Kindred talking about Coach Jack Horenberger
- 00:36:14 Kindred discussing his relationship with Cheryl, his wife, and how basketball played a role
- 00:39:33 Kindred discussing why he chose journalism as his profession
- 00:40:53 Kindred discussing other career options he had in high school
- 00:45:11 Kindred discussing his political views and its influence on his writing
- 00:47:19 Kindred describing what he was trying to achieve within every column he wrote
- 00:49:56 Kindred discussing his writing and how he looks for something he has never seen before
- 00:52:20 Kindred giving an estimation of the number of sports columns he has written in his career

- 00:53:29 Kindred discussing the hardest thing about being a columnist
- 00:57:02 Kindred discussing his columns that he is the proudest of
- 00:59:51 Kindred discussing the press box atmosphere
- 01:06:27 Kindred talking about the most memorable sports events he has covered
- 01:15:20 Kindred discussing the relationship between Muhammad Ali and his career
- 01:27:31 Kindred discussing Bobby Knight
- 01:28:19 Kindred discussing Stan Musial
- 01:29:22 Kindred discussing John Thompson
- 01:30:03 Kindred discussing Arnold Palmer
- 01:30:49 Kindred discussing Adolf Rupp
- 01:32:02 Kindred talking about the social line he drew between him and the people he wrote about
- 01:33:27 Kindred discussing Title IX
- 01:35:22 Kindred explaining his book, The Morning Miracle, and what prompted him to write it
- 01:37:36 Kindred discussing his book, Sound and Fury
- 01:41:25 Kindred talking about Jared Kindred and his memoir about him
- 01:46:21 Kindred explaining a controversial column he wrote about boxing
- 01:48:53 Kindred discussing what getting the awards he has been getting meant to him
- 01:51:49 Kindred explaining why he still covers the Women's Basketball team at Morton High School