

John Wooden, college basketball's gentlemanly Wizard of Westwood, built one of the greatest dynasties in all of sports at UCLA and became one of the most revered coaches ever.

We lost him on June 4. He was 99.

The life lessons taught by John Wooden have become legend. Here are a few of some of the greatest "Woodenisms."

"Be more concerned with your character than your reputation, because your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are."

"Winning takes talent; to repeat takes character."

"Be quick, but don't hurry."

"You can't let praise or criticism get to you. It's a weakness to get caught up in either one."

"A coach is someone who can give correction without causing resentment."

"If you don't have time to do it right, when will you have time to do it over?"

"Do not let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do."

"It's what you learn after you know it all that counts."

"It's the little details that are vital. Little things make big things happen."

"Success comes from knowing that you did your best to become the best that you are capable of becoming."

Thanks, Coach. We'll miss you.



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