

REACTION TO DWIGHT CLARK'S ALS ANNOUNCEMENT

"Dwight Clark is one of those guys that lights up the room – always smiling and making you feel great. When I heard the news, I like others in the 49er family, was devastated. DC changed the course of the 49ers with the catch. Don't be surprised if he changes the course of this disease as well. Love you brother!"

- Harris Barton, 49ers teammate

"Dwight has been an integral part of my family's life for almost four decades. We are absolutely devastated. We vow to do everything in our power to support Dwight and Kelly and help them fight this horrible disease."

- Eddie DeBartolo, Pro Football Hall of Fame Owner

"Dwight is like a brother to me. This news crushed me. I've vowed to him to be here for whatever he needs from me. Whenever or wherever. He deserves all our heartfelt support."

- Roger Craig, 49ers teammate

"There is nothing tougher than watching a great friend go through a serious health challenge. Dwight is handling this adversity with uncommon strength and the heart of a courageous champion, and our family's thoughts and prayers are constantly with Dwight and Kelly. I know that they are fully aware that we will continue to walk alongside them, and do anything and everything possible to help them through this tough time."

- Brent Jones, 49ers teammate

"Heartbreaking news. My pal, he's such a great friend. I can imagine what a great teammate he must've been. He's the absolute first guy I'd want in my foxhole. Whatever becomes, you can be sure Dwight will handle it with strength, dignity, humor and courage."

- Huey Lewis, longtime friend

"To live with another of my best friends struggling with a disease like ALS is devastating. I'm asking all of us to not only send their prayers but I'm asking you to do whatever you can to fight this disease. Dwight will be a champion, which he has been able to show since I met him, since the first time he's hugged me and to this day moving forward."

- Ronnie Lott, Pro Football Hall of Famer and 49ers teammate

"Jennifer and I are saddened by the diagnosis of Dwight. This is a difficult time for Dwight, Kelly and all of us who love him. He is family, and in our continual thoughts and prayers. We hope the public will be cognizant of Dwight's desire for privacy."

- Joe Montana, Pro Football Hall of Famer and 49ers teammate

"DC has done so much for me as a player and friend. My rookie year he showed me how to run that out route! We know him for the catch but he's a great individual who cares about people. Please pray for him Faithful through this adversity!!! I love the guy!!!!"

- Jerry Rice, Pro Football Hall of Famer and 49ers teammate

"We are here for Dwight. We are teammates for life and we will not allow him to go through this challenge alone. I am proud of the courageous way he is approaching this challenge. I will be here for him and with him."

- Keena Turner, 49ers teammate

