



MIKE NOLAN – SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS

HOBBIES: Fishing, family time...**LAST BOOK READ:** “The Five Dysfunctions of a Team” by Patrick M. Lencioni...**FAVORITE FOOD:** New Orleans Cajun...**FAVORITE VACATION SPOT:** Lake Tahoe... **BEST FOOTBALL NICKNAME:** “Fighting Ducks”...**WHAT NFL TEAM DID YOU FOLLOW AS A CHILD:** 49ers...**FAVORITE COLLEGE TOWN:** Baton Rouge... **FAVORITE STADIUM OTHER THAN YOUR OWN AND WHY:** M&T Bank Stadium (Fan participation)...**FAVORITE ATHLETE AS A CHILD:** Charlie Kruger...**PERSON YOU’D MOST LIKE TO MEET:** Billy Graham... **PERSON WHO INFLUENCED YOU THE MOST:** My father...**BEST ADVICE EVER RECEIVED:** “Don’t ever quit something you start”... **GREATEST OVERACHIEVER YOU’VE EVER COACHED:** Kelly Gregg...**BEST PURE ATHLETE YOU’VE EVER COACHED:** Deion Sanders... **TOUGHEST PLAYER YOU’VE EVER COACHED:** Ray Lewis...**MOST INSPIRATIONAL PLAYER YOU’VE EVER COACHED:** Ray Lewis...**FUNNIEST PLAYER YOU’VE EVER COACHED AND WHY:** 1991 Denver Broncos linebacker unit--Every day it was difficult to keep a straight face... **TOUGHEST COACH YOU’VE EVER FACED:** Mike Shanahan--game plan and competitiveness...**GREATEST TEAM YOU’VE EVER COMPETED AGAINST:** 49ers...**TOUGHEST GAME YOU’VE EVER COMPETED IN, AS A COACH OR PLAYER:** 1993 New York Giants vs. Dallas--NFC East title game...**LOUDEST CROWD OF YOUR FOOTBALL CAREER:** Mile High Stadium 1987, Championship Game vs. Cleveland... **MOST KNOWLEDGEABLE FOOTBALL WRITERS YOU’VE EVER MET:** Paul Attner (*Sporting News*) and Peter King (*Sports Illustrated*)...**MOST OVERRATED ASPECT OF FOOTBALL:** Pregame speech...**MOST UNDERRATED ASPECT OF FOOTBALL:** Clock management...**HARDEST JOB IN FOOTBALL:** Quarterback...**MOST MEMORABLE FOOTBALL MOMENT:** Beating Alabama in Birmingham 1986, (LSU).



NICK SABAN – MIAMI DOLPHINS

HOBBIES: Water sports, gardening, golf...**LAST BOOK READ:** “The Five Dysfunctions of a Team” by Patrick M. Lencioni...**FAVORITE FOOD:** Hot dogs...**FAVORITE VACATION SPOT:** Lake Burton, Virginia...**BEST FOOTBALL NICKNAME:** “Tigers”...**FAVORITE COLLEGE TOWN:** Baton Rouge...**WHAT NFL TEAM DID YOU FOLLOW AS A CHILD:** Steelers...**FAVORITE ATHLETE AS A CHILD:** Roberto Clemente...**FAVORITE STADIUM OTHER THAN YOUR OWN AND WHY:** Tiger Stadium, (LSU)...**FAVORITE SPORTS UNIFORM OTHER THAN YOUR OWN:** Notre Dame... **PERSON YOU’D MOST LIKE TO MEET:** Michael Jordan...**PERSON WHO INFLUENCED YOU THE MOST:** My dad and coach Don James...**BEST ADVICE EVER RECEIVED:** “You reap what you sow”... **PLAYER (FORMER OR CURRENT) WHO’D MAKE A GREAT HEAD COACH:** Clay Matthews...**GREATEST OVERACHEIVER YOU’VE EVER COACHED:** Zach Thomas...**BEST PURE ATHLETE YOU’VE EVER COACHED:** Bruce Matthews...**TOUGHEST PLAYER YOU’VE EVER COACHED:** Pepper Johnson...**MOST INSPIRATIONAL PLAYER YOU’VE EVER COACHED:** Amp Campbell...**FUNNIEST PLAYER YOU’VE EVER COACHED, AND WHY:** Mike Rozier, great personality and sense of humor...**TOUGHEST COACH YOU’VE EVER FACED, AND WHY:** Bill Cowher and Bo Schembechler; teams were always tough...**GREATEST TEAM YOU’VE EVER COMPETED AGAINST:** College--1995 Nebraska, NFL--1994 Dallas Cowboys...**TOUGHEST GAME YOU’VE EVER COMPETED IN, AS A COACH OR PLAYER:** Michigan State at #1 Ohio State, 1998...**LOUDEST CROWD OF YOUR FOOTBALL CAREER, HOME OR AWAY:** Houston at Seattle, Kingdome...**MOST KNOWLEDGEABLE FOOTBALL WRITER YOU’VE EVER MET:** Peter King (*Sports Illustrated*)...**MOST OVERRATED ASPECT OF FOOTBALL:** Play-calling...**MOST UNDERRATED ASPECT OF FOOTBALL:** Execution...**HARDEST JOB IN FOOTBALL:** Quarterback...**MOST EMBARRASSING FOOTBALL MOMENT:** Losing to UAB, 2000 at LSU... **MOST MEMORABLE FOOTBALL MOMENT:** Winning national championship at LSU...**ONE THING THAT SHOULD NEVER CHANGE ABOUT PRO FOOTBALL:** Integrity of competition is sacred above all else... **IF YOU WEREN'T COACHING, WHAT WOULD YOU BE DOING:** Teaching or learning; both give a lot of self-gratification.

ALL IN THE FAMILY

Success does run in the family. Just ask many NFL head coaches. A good number of them have already-successful offspring in and outside of football. Oakland Raiders head coach **NORV TURNER**’s daughter **STEPHANIE**, for instance, recently made her major motion picture debut in “Monster-in-Law” opposite **JANE FONDA** and **JENNIFER LOPEZ**.

“Having grown up around athletics, she understands it’s not enough to be born with a gift,” says Turner. “She realizes there’s a great deal of skill involved, that acting is a craft. What impressed me most is her commitment to taking classes and learning from the people around her.” Five offspring of NFL Head Coaches who are accomplished in their own right:

COACH	OFFSPRING	ACCOMPLISHMENT
Bill Cowher, Pittsburgh	Meagan Cowher, daughter	Guard/forward at Princeton University, averaged 11.1 points per game and was named Ivy League Rookie of the Year
Herm Edwards, New York Giants	Marcus Edwards, son	Wide receiver at San Diego State University
Marty Schottenheimer, San Diego	Brian Schottenheimer, son	San Diego Chargers quarterbacks coach
Mike Shanahan, Denver	Kyle Shanahan, son	Offensive quality control coach for Tampa Bay
Norv Turner, Oakland	Stephanie Turner, daughter	Actress; major film debut in <i>Monster-in-Law</i> with Jane Fonda and Jennifer Lopez

