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Keeley (North Cascades '56)

Earl, 48, died May 9, 1985. He was born May 15, 1936, in Vancouver, Canada, where he was a star athlete playing football, rugby, basketball, and was quarterback on BC High School Championship team. Earl then played football for Wenatchee Valley College 1955-56 before transferring to the University of Montana in 1957. During the 1957 season at Montana, he completed 63 passes for 797 yards and six touchdowns.

He later played professional football for six seasons in the Canadian Football League for the British Columbia Lions and Montreal Alouettes. Earl jumped at NCSB during the 1956 season.

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