Don’t bother looking for Terry Bradshaw’s name on the list of All-State quarterbacks at local high schools.

It’s not there.

Although he later led the Pittsburgh Steelers to four Super Bowl wins, Bradshaw didn’t make All-State in 1965 – which was the only year he was the starting quarterback for Woodlawn’s Knights.

Fair Park’s John Miller was the All-City, All-District and All-State quarterback in 1965, setting a Class 3A state record with 1,727 yards passing.

Before his senior season, Bradshaw rode the bench behind Trey Prather, who was Woodlawn’s first All-State quarterback in 1964. The Knights’ next All-State quarterback was Joe Ferguson, in 1967 and 1968.

Ferguson set state and national passing records because he threw more passes than any previous local quarterbacks, but his records were broken in the 1990s by a series of Evangel quarterbacks, starting with Josh Booty and including Phillip Deas and Brock Berlin.

At that time, no other high school in the state (and very few in other states) came close to matching the numbers Evangel was putting up in the passing game. Since then, the parade is much longer.

Bradshaw set a Class 3A state record with 22 touchdown passes in his senior season, a few months before he broke the national record in the javelin throw with a toss of 244 feet, 11 inches. But his total of 22 touchdown passes would no longer crack the Top Ten on the state list.

Woodlawn’s Ferguson nearly doubled that record with 40 in 1968, Evangel’s Josh Booty threw 43 in 1992, Evangel’s Phillip Deas threw 44 in 1994 and 53 in 1996, and Evangel’s Brock Berlin threw 54 in both 1997 and 1998.

Bradshaw’s national record of 244-11 was broken a couple of years later by Mark Muro of Newark, New Jersey. His state record was broken in 1980 by Steve Stockton of Tioga with 254-0.

Mark Lumpkin of Lake Charles High set a state record of 190-7 in the discus throw in 1966 that was broken by Airline’s Steve Cate with 191-2 in 1982. John Nichols of Winnfield became Louisiana’s first 200-footer in the discus with a throw of 205-6 in the 1986 Shreveport Journal Meet of Champions, and broke his own state record with 212-0 a year later.

Joe Reding of Bossier High was Louisiana’s first 60-foot shot-putter with 60-3 1/2 in 1963, but he only held the record a few weeks. At the end of the 1963 season, Terry Estay of LaGrange had a throw of 61-4 1/2 in the New Orleans Recreation Department Meet of Champions. But Arnold Campbell of Airline shattered that mark with 74-10 1/2 in 1984, and nobody has come close to that performance.

A week after the 1984 state meet, Arnold Campbell threw the 16-pound shot 63 feet, 8 inches in the Shreveport Journal Meet of Champions. That was three inches better than the winning throw in the Southeastern Conference meet a week earlier.

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