

Mark Carrier

Mark Carrier broke into the NFL with a splash! In his first season with the Chicago Bears after being drafted in the first round of the 1990 draft, #6 overall, he snagged 10 interceptions to lead the entire NFL. This is an incredible total for anyone let alone a rookie free safety. For his excellence that season, Carrier was named the 1990 AP Defensive Rookie of the Year and to the NFL's All-Rookie Team. His 10 interceptions that season set a Bears team record for most interceptions in a single season.

Mark was always viewed by his coaches as a smart player who led the defense. He played 7 seasons in the Windy City and was named to the Pro Bowl three times (1190, 1991 and 1993). He then moved on to the Detroit Lions where he played from 1997 to 2000 before finishing with one final season in Washington with the Redskins. Over his NFL career, Mark racked up 32 interceptions for 370 return yards and forced 16 fumbles.

Carrier came to the NFL from the University of Southern California where he became USC's first ever winner of the Jim Thorpe Award, presented annually to the nation's best defensive back. He was a two-time consensus first-team All-American and in 2006 was inducted in the USC Athletic Hall of Fame.

Following his playing career, Mark turned to coaching. He was a DB coach at Arizona State University, then a secondary coach with the Baltimore Ravens followed by a defensive line coach for the New York Jets and finally the Cincinnati Bengals defensive backs' coach.

Carrier has also spent 10 years in media broadcasting as an analyst, color commentator, TV show host and radio sports show host. His ability to think quickly on his feet makes him ideal for these roles.

Mark is an intelligent and gifted speaker who relates life's stories in a funny and compassionate manner. Hire him to speak with your organization or school today.