



## **Chad Hennings**

Although best known for his role with America's Team, Chad Hennings' successful career began long before his professional football career.

An accomplished lineman in high school, Hennings was offered full scholarships from universities across the nation. However, he chose to attend the U.S. Air Force Academy, where he racked up numerous honors academically and on the gridiron. Those honors include: Most Valuable Athlete at the Academy, defensive player of the year honors from the Western Athletic Conference, WAC's All-Decade Team, 1987 Outland Trophy (given to the country's most outstanding lineman), MVP at 1988 Freedom Bowl, 2x Academic All-American, inducted into the GTE Academic All-American Hall of Fame.

His exemplary achievements put him at the top of many draft lists and earned him a spot on the Dallas Cowboys' roster, but Hennings postponed his entry into the NFL to fulfill his commitment to the U.S. Air Force. He entered the Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training Program, a training program for top pilots, and soon found himself at the controls of the A-10 Thunderbolt.

During his four-year stint with the Air Force, Hennings flew 45 missions in support of Operation Provide Support in Northern Iraq, receiving two aerial achievement medals, a humanitarian award and outstanding unit award for his actions in service.

After his discharge, Hennings joined the Dallas Cowboys in a starting position as a defensive lineman. He spent his entire 9 year professional career with the Dallas Cowboys, retiring in 2001 with three Super Bowl rings.

Chad is president of Hennings Management Corp. a management and consulting company. He is also a principal in TRW, a real estate development company.

Chad is a strong Christian man who has lived his faith and speaks openly about his spiritual growth in his book "It Takes Commitment".

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