



Ray Bernard



Acquired: Free Agent, April 1995

1995 Season - Injuries kept Ray out of the line-up for the season's first two games and also later in September, when he missed games 11, 12 and 13. Despite missing those five games, he finished third on the team in tackles with 55 defensive and 9 special teams, also recording 2 QB sacks and 2 interceptions, each of which he returned for 20 vds.

Pro Career: Picked 10th overall in the 2nd Round of the 1992 Canadian College Draft by the Saskatchewan Roughriders. Ray became the club's starting middle linebacker before the end of his rookie season and started all 18 games the following year, when he led the CFL in defensive tackles with 92. An ankle injury limited Ray's playing time to 7 games in '94, but he managed 27 tackles, 2 sacks, an interception and a touchdown run, following one of his 4 fumble recoveries. Throughout his career, Ray has been a strong special teams tackler.

College Career: Ray majored in geography and psychology while starting for four seasons at Bishop's and reaping rewards in his final two. He earned All-OQIFC and All-Canadian Second Team All-Star honours in 1990 and the following season he was named OQIFC Defensive Player of the Year, won the President's Trophy as Most Outstanding (non-lineman) Defensive Player, earned All-OQIFC again, and was honoured as an All-Canadian First Team All-Star.

Personal: Ray is bilingual and now lives in Ottawa year round. He enjoys playing golf and hockev.

