



SHANE IRELAND
LINEBACKER

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Ht: 6'3" Wt: 225 Born: 18 December 1962
Birthplace: Ottawa, Ontario
Designation: Non-Import Ottawa Sooners
3rd Year Pro 3rd Year with Ottawa
Acquired as a free agent in 1984
1985 GP/Starts: 5/5 Career GP: 11

Shane is a product of the excellent football program in the city of Ottawa. The native of the nation's capital played for the Ottawa Sooners for three seasons under coaches Ace Powell and Jim Daley. Shane received the distinction of being the Schenley Defensive Player of the Year in both 1982 and 1983 for the Canadian Junior Football League. He was also picked as the Ottawa Sooner Defensive Player of the Year and a League All Star in both seasons. Shane was on the Ottawa Sooner Club in 1983 when they won the Eastern Junior Championship. That win gave Shane and the Sooners a birth into the Little Grey Cup game against the Edmonton Wildcats. As a territorial junior, Shane attended the 1984 Rough Riders training camp and was signed to a pro contract with the Club when injuries occurred during mid-season. He played in six regular season contests in 1984. Shane played in five games during the 1985 season, missing the first half of the regular schedule because of an ankle injury incurred during the first pre-season game in Montreal.

Single, Shane is an active member of the Rough Rider's basketball team during the off-season.

