

Tony Boselli, the Jacksonville Jaguars' first-ever college draft choice, was the first member of the Jaguars franchise to be honored in The Pride of the Jaguars on October 8, 2006.

"Tony Boselli was the original Jaguar, and we are excited to recognize him," said Jaguars then-owner Wayne Weaver. "We are proud of Tony's contributions on the field for this organization, and we're proud of his contributions off the field for this community. We welcome the opportunity to have Jaguars fans thank Tony for what he has meant to Jacksonville and the Jaguars."

"The seven years I spent in Jacksonville as a member of the Jaguars team were truly memorable. I also would like to thank all the Jaguars fans who made us feel so welcome when we first arrived in Jacksonville, and now that we have returned," Boselli said.

Boselli was the second player drafted overall in the 1995 college draft following an All American career at Southern California. He started a then-team-record 90 of the 91 Jaguars games in which he played from 1995-2001, was named to the Pro Bowl five times, 1996-2000, First-Team All-Pro, 1997-1999 and NFL Alumni Offensive Lineman of the Year, 1998.

Widely considered the best offensive tackle in the game, Boselli allowed only 15.5 sacks in seven seasons and was named second team on the NFL All-Decade Team for the 1990s.

