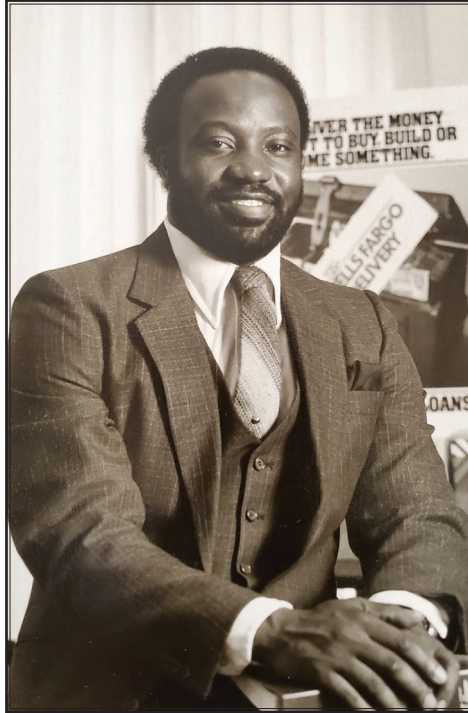


# Robert Thompson



- Born on a cotton plantation in Farrell, Mississippi
- December 1962 moved to Santa Barbara with my parents and seven siblings
- Married for 43 years to my wife Gwendolyn, we have one son, Justin and one grandson, Jace
- First played basketball at the Santa Barbara Boys Club under the famed Donnie Yee
- 1970 & 71 varsity basketball at SBHS alongside Jamal Wilkes, Don Ford and David Jackson
- 1970 & 71 varsity baseball at SBHS alongside Booker Brown and Eddie Bowman
- 1971 to 75 varsity baseball at Westmont College on a baseball/academic scholarship
- Graduated from Westmont in 1975 with a double major in Sociology and Business/Economics
- Five years at Wells Fargo Bank as a Business Banking Officer
- Five years at the Santa Barbara Boys and Girls Club as the Club Director
- Twenty one years at the Goleta Boys and Girls Club as the Athletic Director
- A total of 26 years with the Boys and Girls Club mentoring and coaching thousands of youth in the Santa Barbara/Goleta area
- Currently I am semi-retired, I enjoy spending time with my family and friends, along with volunteering at my church