

THE WHITE SHADOW

The Complete Third Season

Season 3 Episode Guide



REUNION 1

Air date: 10/16/80

The third season begins with Coach Reeves visiting the town where he grew up and reuniting with old friends, including an old high school teammate, an old girlfriend, and his father, whose health is failing.



REUNION 2

Air date: 10/23/80

Coach Reeves heals his strained relationship with his dying father, breaks things off once and for all with Paula, and returns to Carver for the new school year, where some new players have joined the team



GEORGIA ON MY MIND

Air date: 10/30/80

Coolidge is fed up with high school, so he tries out for the Harlem Globetrotters. But, he soon finds out that it's not all fun and games.



IF YOUR NUMBER'S UP, GET IT DOWN

Air date: 12/16/1980

In order to raise money for Carver's Athletics, the team decides to organize a benefit. However, they publicize that Coach Reeves is dead in order to entice major sports and entertainment figures like Sparky Anderson, Elgin Baylor, and Willie Tyler and Lester to attend.



CHRISTMAS STORY

Air date: 12/23/80

The coach and the Team take time to reflect on the important things in life during the holiday season.



NO BLOOD, NO FOUL

Air date: 12/30/80

Salami faces possible jail time after breaking an opposing team's player's jaw during an on-court brawl.



VANITY FAIR

Air date: 1/06/81

The team tries to capitalize on their shower singing by signing on with a record company, and the results aren't what they bargain for.



MR. HERO

Air date: 1/13/81

Stone saves an elderly woman's life by rescuing her from a burning car, and the experience goes to his head after he appears on the TV news and sensationalizes the story.



B.M.O.C.

Air date: 2/2/81

Coolidge starts having problems stemming from his abnormal height and size, such as normal clothes not fitting. He gets self-conscious and defensive until Coach Reeves, who has dealt with the same problems, takes him under his wing and tries to let him know he's not alone. NBA Hall-of-Famer Bill Russell guest stars.



TRAIL AND ERROR

Air date: 2/9/81

Coach Reeves is called for jury duty, while Falahey's girlfriend discovers she's pregnant and tries to get him to own up to being the father.



CAR REPO

Air date: 2/16/81

Salami and Vitaglia take on a part-time job repossessing cars, but the ungodly work hours and the harassments from the car owners affect both their performances in school and on the basketball court.



PSYCHED OUT

Air date: 2/23/81

A female teacher with a past history of mental illness and nervous breakdowns is tormented by a psychotic student.



COPS

Air date: 3/2/81

An elderly woman is mugged on the street at night by two big, tall black men, and the description she gives the police matches both Coolidge and Franklin, who happen to be out on the town that night. The police apprehend the two with Thorpe looking on. Thorpe observes what appears to be police brutality, reaches into his pocket to get a pen to write the cops' car number, and is shot by one of them.



BURNOUT

Air date: 3/9/81

One of Carver's teachers starts showing signs of burnout by handing out undeserved grades, and this hurts Rutherford, who enjoys the class.



A DAY IN THE LIFE

Air date: 3/16/81

Goldstein, Gomez, Hayward, and Reese all return for an "alumni" exhibition game, amid all the troubles the four have encountered in "real life" since graduating. Hayward is in college and wants to go to law school, but doesn't believe he'll be given the chance because of his skin color. Goldstein, after a year in the Marines, now believes he has the confidence to ask out a girl he admired while at Carver. Gomez is struggling to make ends meet as a car mechanic with a pregnant wife. And, finally, Reese is driving a cab and pursuing his dream of becoming a singer.