

John Starks

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I enjoyed my time in Utah. It was a different area to what I was used to. The people there were very nice and it was a great organization and city. I have only good things to say about Utah.

~John Starks

My favorite Knicks moment was when we beat Indiana in Game 7 to reach the NBA Finals. We worked so hard as a team to reach that moment that it was very satisfying to beat Indiana and reach the Finals.

~John Starks

Not having a father helping you grow into manhood and teaching you those things about how to be a man hurts. It hurt my brothers because their fathers weren't involved in their lives.

~John Starks

There were butterflies, otherwise, you're not really ready to play. The locker room, I remember, was quiet and we were very focused on playing that game.

~John Starks

That's a dream of mine, to be able to coach at the NBA level.

~John Starks

Michael Jordan was a great individual and a great player. You can't say enough about what he brought to the game. He took the NBA to another level.

~John Starks

I think the media makes it tough to play in New York. There are so many papers and TV channels covering the Knicks and the expectations for the Knicks are so high.

~John Starks

I know that once I get a good rhythm and a good feel, no one can stop me.

~John Starks

As a young man, you get to a point in your life where you feel like you have grown up and have to make decisions and not having that father figure in your life to guide you to making those decisions.

~John Starks

To me coming up short as a team and for me not having a great particular game was tough to swallow, but your life doesn't end there. You must put your life into perspective and keep moving on.

~John Starks

Me and Spike Lee are good friends. I got a lot of respect for Spike just because of who he is, what he stands for, and the support for that organization. Even when it was bad he was there.

~John Starks

Michael Jordan makes you bring your game to another level. That's why I loved competing against him.

~John Starks

[Being a coach] is totally different, but I have a new level of respect for coaching that I didn't as a player. So much is expected of you and from your team. Everything falls on your shoulders.

~John Starks

As a player you can have a bad game and come back for the next game. As a coach you really can't do that. You have to dissect games night in and night out and figure what you did wrong.

~John Starks

I don't want to blame it on not having a father figure in my life, but that

has a lot to do with it too.

~John Starks

Pit Riley had a lasting effect on us as players and the coaching staff.

~John Starks

It was a good opportunity for me to wear a NBA jersey. The Golden State Warriors gave me an opportunity to come in and play for them. I was very appreciative of that.

~John Starks

New York is a different breed than any other city there is. Media can be very hard on you at times, but [Patrick Ewing] did handle it like a man. He was able to prosper in that whole atmosphere.

~John Starks

I only had one year of eligibility and I wasn't getting many offers from other schools. I jumped on it to make a mark. That was the most wise decision I made coming out of Oklahoma junior college.

~John Starks

Spending time in jail really helped me stay away from what my brother did because I got a taste of jail time. I realized this isn't the life I want to live being locked up 24 hours a day.

~John Starks

I had a lot of maturing I had to go through. I consider myself a smart individual in seeing that this is not the road I want to take.

~John Starks

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