

Charlie Batch
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Mr. Charlie Batch is a former NFL quarterback turned tech entrepreneur, media personality/color analyst, community advocate and professional speaker.

His NFL career spanned 15 years, 60 touchdowns, more than 11,000 passing yards and two Super Bowl victories. He was drafted in the second round as a starting quarterback by the Detroit Lions in 1998 from Eastern Michigan University, where he had set numerous school and MAC conference records. In 2002, he joined the Pittsburgh Steelers as back-up quarterback and was instrumental in critical game wins that led the team to Super Bowl XL and XLII.

His leadership within the NFL extended far beyond the gridiron to include positions as the Vice President, Executive Committee for the NFL Players Association and NFL Spokesperson for the United Way.

In retirement, Mr. Batch continues to be a respected strategist in the NFL, providing game-day commentary for Steelers broadcasts and several national media outlets including CBS, FOX, NBC, ABC, ESPN, NFL Network, SiriusXM NFL Radio and Yahoo! Sports.

Mr. Batch also serves as Senior Captain for The Trust Powered by the NFLPA, an initiative that he helped negotiate in 2011 with NFL team owners, and he helps former players achieve their dreams after football as a Transition Consultant for the NFLPA.

At the same time, Mr. Batch is a professional speaker who takes his motivational messages about teamwork and entrepreneurialism to corporate and nonprofit audiences across the country. His speeches, which include "Expect Your Best" and "From Sweat Suit to Business Suit: It's Never Too Early to Plan Your Next Success," feature personal stories of loss, perseverance and victories on and off the field.

Mr. Batch is an entrepreneur whose company, Impellia, brings state-of-the-art sports medicine and rehabilitation technologies to everyday people. As Co-Founder, Mr. Batch and his partners have brought to market tech innovations from the University of Michigan, the University of Pittsburgh and the University of Colorado, among others.

His interest in sports medicine extends to research as well. Mr. Batch is a Player Advisor on the Football Players Health Study at Harvard University and an Advisory Council Member for the University of Pittsburgh Brain Institute.

Since 1999, his Best of the Batch Foundation has worked to create communities where all kids and families are equipped with the tools they need to build their own best futures. The Foundation includes

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a summer basketball league that teaches good sportsmanship and life skills; year-long reading and computer literacy programs; a Batchpacks for Kids school supply program, and much more. In addition to his own foundation, Mr. Batch serves on multiple boards including the United Way of Southwestern Pennsylvania, the Western Pennsylvania Humane Society and the Urban League of Greater Pittsburgh.

He is a recipient of numerous awards including the 2015 Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award for Western Pennsylvania & West Virginia, and the 2013 Byron "Whizzer" White NFL Man of the Year Award. Mr. Batch holds honorary degrees of doctor from Eastern Michigan University, Point Park University, La Roche College and Washington & Jefferson College.