

Clive Sullivan



Childhood

Clive Sullivan was born on the 9th of April 1943. His mother, who was called Dorothy, was of Antiguan descent; his father, whose name was Charles, was Jamaican. In the area he lived in there were no other black families.

School was where young Clive found his love for rugby league. He suffered many injuries as a teenager that meant he had to have several operations on his knees, feet and shoulders.

Career

In his career, Clive Sullivan played for many major clubs such as: Hull FC, Hull Kingston Rovers, Oldham and Doncaster. One of Clive's greatest achievements came in 1972 when he became the first black captain of any British sporting team. He led Great Britain to a Rugby league world cup success. In the same year as the world cup he was awarded an MBE.



Facts

He made 352 appearances for Hull FC and made 213 for Hull KR.

Did you know Clive Sullivan was actually in the army?

He scored over 1000 points in his career.

His son (Anthony) also played rugby professionally.