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Floyd and DeBorah Little to receive ceremonial Carrier Dome rings at ceremony on May 11

SU alumnus and entrepreneur Jordan Dudden '15 will be presenting custom-crafted commemorative Carrier Dome rings donated by the Boeheim Foundation to Syracuse University football legend [Floyd Little](#) and his wife DeBorah Little. The ceremony will take place on Wednesday, May 11 at 10 a.m. at the Carrier Dome.

Floyd Little will be conferred an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree at Commencement on May 15. A three-time All-America running back at Syracuse University and College and Pro Football [Hall of Famer](#), Little returned to Syracuse University after a long and distinguished professional AFL-NFL / AFC-NFC career to serve as special assistant to the athletic director. He retires from Syracuse University this month, and is also memorialized at Plaza 44, Ensley Athletic Center, which features his sculpture alongside other Syracuse University sports legends Jim Brown '57 and Ernie Davis '62, as well as national championship coach and World War II Silver Star recipient Ben Schwartzwalder.

DeBorah Little '14, G '16 is receiving an M.S. in Instructional Design and Development and a CAS in Educational Technology at this year's ceremony. She is an entrepreneur who is the founder and U.S. patent holder for an innovative cosmetic tube, [LilMorStix](#), and also president of Touchdown Presentations. A professional speaker, author, trainer, and coach, she is a native of Syracuse where she has been a very active civic leader. Dudden will also be presenting DeBorah a matching ring, recognizing her as a woman entrepreneur and role model.

Dudden is the founder and CEO of [JoJo Rings](#), a company that creates and sells handcrafted rings from recycled keys. Jordan has grown JoJo Rings to nearly 70 stores across 25 states, been featured in Vogue Magazine and Bustle, spotted on celebrities like Hailey Baldwin and Jessie James Decker, upcycled almost 2,400 pounds of scrap metal into jewelry, and donated thousands of dollars to charity. She recently recycled the old keys to the Hotel Syracuse into keepsake rings, coinciding with the re-opening of the historic downtown hotel. Founded with the community in mind, JoJo Rings operates under three guiding principles: sustainability, individuality, and social good. Their tagline, "Keys for Change," illustrates a commitment to philanthropy. With each sale, Jordan makes a donation to a different local nonprofit.

Jordan Dudden and DeBorah Little have both been active in the Syracuse University entrepreneurial community, working with WISE WBC, as well as many other Syracuse University mentors. They met

through the Blackstone LaunchPad in Bird Library and conceived these one-of-a-kind pieces of Syracuse University history – Carrier Dome keys provided through the Boeheim Foundation.

“My hope is that these rings will help DeBorah and Floyd remember their time at Syracuse, and serve as a constant reminder of how grateful we are for their significant contributions to our community,” said Dudden.

"Our adventure back home at Syracuse University has been one of the greatest adventures of our lives," added DeBorah. "The blessings that have flowed into both of our lives these past five years are abundant and we are more grateful than we have words to express. Thank you to Jordan Dudden of JoJo Rings for this amazing honor and to our SU family for what is sure to be one awesome graduation weekend for us and our families!"

After graduation, Floyd and DeBorah will be moving to Las Vegas and their next chapter, but they are happy to be taking warm memories and a piece of the Dome with them. "There has been some great things that have happened to me in my life," said Floyd Little. "Being a Pro Football Hall of Famer is the ultimate goal of achievement. Getting an honorary degree is right up there with it!"

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