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HALL OF FAME CLASSIC

Seven Hall of Fame legends will be joined by a roster of former major league players for the Hall of Fame Classic on Saturday, May 28 at Cooperstown's historic Doubleday Field... The Classic, presented by Boeing, highlights a weekend of family entertainment programs designed to celebrate the timeless connection of baseball across generations... Recently retired players representing all 30 major league clubs will join the roster and participate in the Classic – a seven-inning legends game – and weekend events... The Classic will feature the pre-game Home Run Derby at 12 p.m., while the first pitch of the game is slated for 1:05 p.m.... Hall of Famers **Wade Boggs, Fergie Jenkins, Tim Lincecum, Ted Simmons, Lee Smith, Ozzie Smith** and **Alan Trammell** return as managers and coaches for the event... Players scheduled to participate include: Bobby Abreu (Phillies), Willie Aikens (Royals), Alex Avila (Tigers), Carlos Baerga (Guardians), Pat Borders (Blue Jays), Michael Bourn (Astros), Steve Buechele (Rangers), Bruce Chen (Braves), José Contreras (White Sox), Keith Foulke (Red Sox), David Freese (Cardinals), Carlos González (Rockies), Craig Grebeck (Angels), Garrett Jones (Pirates), Terrance Long (Athletics), Justin Maxwell (Nationals), Corky Miller (Reds), Carlos Peña (Rays), Ryan Rowland-Smith (Mariners), Steve Sax (Dodgers), Tim Stauffer (Padres), Nick Swisher (Yankees), Steve Swisher (Cubs), Matt Wieters (Orioles), Chris Young (Diamondbacks) and Todd Zeile (Mets)... **Tickets for the 2022 Hall of Fame Classic are on sale now at www.baseballhall.org or by calling 1-888-325-0470**... Tickets for the Classic are \$12.50 for first baseline seats, \$11 for outfield seats... For more info, visit baseballhall.org/hofclassic.

FROM CLASSIC TO INDUCTION: Six future Hall of Famers have played in the Classic since the inaugural game in 2009... Jim Kaat (Class of 2022) pitched in the 2009 Classic, following Bob Feller to the mound... Pedro Martínez (Class of 2015), Iván Rodríguez (Class of 2017) and Jim Thome (Class of 2018) each played in the 2014 Classic, while Alan Trammell (Class of 2018) appeared in the 2015 and 2016 Classic and Lee Smith (Class of 2019) appeared in the Classic in 2009.

ELEVEN MEMORIES: In the inaugural Hall of Fame Classic in 2009, 90-year-old Bob Feller started on the mound and led his team to a 5-4 victory... Former all-time saves leader Lee Smith picked up the win in relief... In the second Hall of Fame Classic in 2010, Mark Whiten hit two home runs to lead Team Feller past Team Killebrew 9-0... The third Hall of Fame Classic in 2011 featured an 8-6 win by Team Knucksie over Team Smith, powered by the Bob Feller Player of the Game performance by Dmitri Young... The 2012 Hall of Fame Classic resulted in a 5-4 win by Team Knucksie over Team Smith as Desi Relaford took home the Bob Feller Player of the Game Award... The 2013 Hall of Fame Classic legends game was canceled due to inclement weather... Hideki Matsui, Jack Wilson and Iván Rodríguez homered as rain brought the end to the 2014 Classic in a 4-4 tie between the Knucksies and the Wizards... In 2015, Aaron Rowand's two-run homer and Brady Anderson's two-run double led the Knucksies to a come-from-behind 7-5 victory... In 2016, Melvin Mora homered twice to lead the Knucksies to a 5-4 victory... In 2017, Rowand became the first two-time winner of the Bob Feller Player of the Game Award by notching three hits in the Wizards' 5-1 win – the Wizards' first victory of the series... In 2018, game MVP Shane Victorino had two hits and two RBI to lead the Knucksies past the Wizards 6-0... And in the most recently contested Hall of Fame Classic, Orlando Cabrera had a grand slam and five RBI as Team Rollie and Team Goose played to a 9-9 tie... The Classic was not played in 2020 or 2021.

HALL OF FAME WEEKEND 2022

As baseball's newest stars make history during the 2022 season, the National Baseball Hall of Fame is prepping for the game's biggest annual celebration when seven legends will be inducted as the Class of 2022 this July in Cooperstown... With the election of **Bud Fowler** and **Buck O'Neil** by the Early Era Committee and **Gil Hodges**, **Jim Kaat**, **Minnie Miñoso** and **Tony Oliva** by the Golden Days Era Committee – both on Dec. 5 – and **David Ortiz** by the Baseball Writers' Association of America on Jan. 25, the Class of 2022 brings the total number of Hall of Famers to 340, including 75 living Hall of Famers... Fowler, Hodges, Kaat, Miñoso, Oliva, O'Neil and Ortiz will be inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame at 1:30 p.m. ET on Sunday, July 24 live on MLB Network on the grounds of the Clark Sports Center in Cooperstown... 2022 BBWAA Career Excellence Award winner **Tim Lincecum** and 2022 Ford C. Frick Award winner **Jack Graney** will be honored during Induction Weekend at the *Awards Presentation* on Saturday, July 23.

HOF WEEKEND CREDENTIALS: Hall of Fame Weekend 2022 will be held July 22-25 with the annual *Induction Ceremony* scheduled to take place on Sunday, July 24... The Weekend will feature the annual *Awards Presentation* on Saturday, July 23, at 4 p.m.... The 11th edition of the Hall of Fame *Parade of Legends* will follow the *Awards Presentation* along Main Street... Ozzie Smith's *PLAY Ball* Museum fundraiser will be held on Friday, July 22... Class of 2022 members Bud Fowler, Gil Hodges, Jim Kaat, Minnie Miñoso, Buck O'Neil, Tony Oliva and David Ortiz will be honored during the Induction Ceremony... Admission to the Ceremony is free and the ceremony will be broadcast live on MLB Network... Media credential applications for Hall of Fame Weekend are now being accepted at [credentials.mlb.com](https://www.baseballhall.org/credentials)... For more information, please visit [baseballhall.org/media-info](https://www.baseballhall.org/media-info).

THE CLASS OF 2022

BUDDY SYSTEM: Born John W. Jackson Jr. in Fort Plain, N.Y., on March 16, 1858, Bud Fowler and his family moved to Cooperstown – located about a half hour from Fort Plain – just a few years later... Often acknowledged as the first Black professional baseball player, Fowler endured a nomadic career in search of opportunities to play baseball... He played professionally for nearly two decades and his talents earned him recognition in the baseball community... In 1894, Fowler helped form the Page Fence Giants, who would go on to become one of the all-time great Black barnstorming teams... Later on, he had a hand in establishing other barnstorming clubs, including the Smoky City Giants, the All-American Black Tourists and the Kansas City Stars, and was a strong proponent of establishing Black baseball leagues... Fowler passed away on Feb. 26, 1913.

HODGE PODGE: Gil Hodges played 18 seasons with the Dodgers and the Mets from 1943-63, earning eight All-Star Game selections and three Gold Glove Awards at first base... He topped the 20-homer mark in 11 straight seasons from 1949-59, drove in 100-or-more runs each year from 1949-55 and played on seven pennant winners and two World Series champions, ending his career with 370 home runs – the third-most by a right-handed hitter at the time of his retirement... Hodges went on to manage the Senators and Mets for nine seasons, leading New York to a memorable World Series title in 1969... Hodges passed away on April 2, 1972.

KAAT TREATS: Jim Kaat pitched for 25 seasons with the Senators, Twins, White Sox, Phillies, Yankees and Cardinals, winning 283 games... A three-time 20-game winner, three-time All-Star and 16-time Gold Glove Award winner, Kaat's 625 career games started ranks 17th all-time and his 4,530.1 innings pitched ranks 25th... He helped the Twins win the 1965 American League pennant and the Phillies win National League East titles from 1976-78 before transitioning to the bullpen, when he was a key member of manager Whitey Herzog's relief corps as the Cardinals won the World Series.

RINGS OF SATURNINO: Minnie Miñoso starred in the Negro National League with the New York Cubans from 1946-48 before debuting with the Cleveland Indians in 1949... Born Saturnino Orestes Armas Miñoso in Havana, Cuba, he played 17 seasons with the Indians, White Sox, Cardinals and Senators, becoming the first dark-skinned Latin American player to appear in an AL or NL game... Miñoso finished second in the AL Rookie of the Year voting in 1951 and earned the first of nine All-Star Game selections in the AL/NL Midsummer Classic that year... A three-time Gold Glove Award winner in left field, Miñoso led the AL in triples and stolen bases three times apiece and finished his career with 2,110 hits and a .299 batting average... Miñoso passed away on March 1, 2015.

TONY'S REWARD: Tony Oliva spent his entire 15-year big league career with the Twins, winning three AL batting titles while leading the league in hits five times... The 1964 American League Rookie of the Year – he tied a rookie record with 374 total bases that season, a mark that still stands – Oliva was named to the All-Star Game in eight straight seasons from 1964-71 before knee injuries took their toll... A Gold Glove Award winner for his play in right field in 1966, Oliva became the first player in AL/NL history to win batting titles in each of his first two seasons... He received votes in the AL Most Valuable Player balloting in each season from 1964-71 and finished his career with a .304 batting average.

VOICE OF HISTORY: Buck O’Neil played, managed, coached, scouted and served as an executive for nearly eight decades – but his incredible legacy expands far beyond just baseball...O’Neil got his start in semipro ball before spending time with various barnstorming and minor league clubs...He broke into the Negro American League with the Memphis Red Sox in 1937, then latched on at first base for the Kansas City Monarchs in 1938...He would remain with the club for nearly two decades...From 1939-42, the Monarchs captured four consecutive Negro American League pennants, sweeping the Homestead Grays in the Negro League World Series in 1942...In 1948, O’Neil was named player-manager of the Monarchs – a role he would hold until 1955...O’Neil departed Kansas City in 1955 and signed on as a scout for the Chicago Cubs...The Cubs promoted O’Neil to their major league coaching staff in 1962, making him the first Black coach to serve on an AL or NL roster...A beloved champion of the game and gifted storyteller, O’Neil helped establish the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City in 1990...O’Neil passed away on Oct. 6, 2006.

KING DAVID: David Ortiz played 20 seasons for the Twins and Red Sox...A 10-time All-Star and eight-time winner of the Edgar Martinez Award presented to the outstanding designated hitter, Ortiz powered a Boston team that won three World Series titles in 10 seasons after the franchise had gone 86 years without a championship...A seven-time Silver Slugger Award winner who finished in the Top 4 of the AL MVP voting each year from 2004-07, Ortiz led the league in RBI three times and reached the 30-home run mark in 10 seasons, finishing with 541 round-trippers... He retired as one of only four players with at least 500 home runs and 600 doubles and his 1,192 extra base hits are tied for eighth all-time...His 20 walk-off hits in the regular season are the third-most in MLB history, and his 485 home runs as a DH are the most by any player at the position...Hit .289 with 17 homers and 61 RBI in 85 career postseason games, earning ALCS MVP honors in 2004 and the World Series MVP Award in 2013.

2022 AWARD WINNERS

Jack Graney, winner of the 2022 Ford C. Frick Award for broadcasters, and Tim Kurkjian, the 2022 winner of the Baseball Writers’ Association of America’s Career Excellence Award, will be honored at the 2022 Hall of Fame *Awards Presentation* on Saturday, July 23.

JACKS TO OPEN: Jack Graney, who followed up a 14-year big league career with the Cleveland Indians by becoming a legendary Northeast Ohio broadcasting voice, has been selected as the 2022 recipient of the Ford C. Frick Award, presented annually for excellence in broadcasting by the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum...Graney was selected from a final ballot of candidates in the *Broadcasting Beginnings* category per the three-year cycle for the Frick Award...Born June 10, 1886, in St. Thomas, Ontario, Canada, Graney was a gifted left-handed amateur pitcher who joined the Cleveland Naps in 1908, pitching two games before spending most of the rest of the season in the minors...Converted to the outfield the next season, Graney returned to Cleveland in 1910 – becoming a regular for the next decade...A disciplined hitter, Graney led the American League in walks in both 1917 and 1919 and appeared in three games off the bench in the 1920 World Series, helping Cleveland defeat Brooklyn for the title...Graney made history as the first to bat against Babe Ruth in the big leagues (1914) and the first 20th century big league player to appear at bat with a number on his uniform (1916)...Ending his big league career in 1922 with 1,178 hits and a .354 on-base percentage, Graney went into the automotive sales industry...Then in 1932, WHK-AM began broadcasting Cleveland games and hired Graney, who is now widely considered to be the first former big league player to broadcast a major league game...For the next 22 years – except for 1945, when network radio broadcasts pre-empted local programming – Graney called games for a variety of Cleveland stations, including WHK, WGAR, WJW and WERE...Teaming with several partners, including 1997 Frick Award winner Jimmy Dudley, Graney’s meticulous descriptions of the action on the field and the elements of the ballpark brought the game to life for those who had never been to League Park or Cleveland Stadium...Graney called the World Series for a national audience in 1935 and also broadcast that year’s All-Star Game in Cleveland...He passed away on April 20, 1978.

CAPTAIN KURK: Tim Kurkjian, who has hit for the cycle as a baseball writer – newspaper beat coverage, magazine writing, internet essayist, television reporter/analyst – and found the time to author three books, was elected the 2022 winner of the BBWAA Career Excellence Award...A graduate of Walter Johnson High school in his native Bethesda, Md., and the University of Maryland, Kurkjian began his career in 1979 for the *Washington Star* and two years later was the Rangers beat writer for the *Dallas Morning News*...After four years in Texas, Kurkjian returned to Maryland, joining the *Baltimore Sun* to cover the Orioles for four years...Kurkjian then spent seven years as *Sports Illustrated*’s senior baseball writer...In 1998, he joined ESPN where he has worked as a columnist for ESPN.com and a reporter/analyst/host for “Baseball Tonight,” the latter assignment earning him an Emmy Award in 2002...He won a second Emmy for contributions to “SportsCenter” in 2003-04...Along the way, Kurkjian penned “America’s Game” (2000), an interactive look at baseball; “Is This a Great Game or What?” (2007), a collection of his personal reflections covering the sport; and “I’m Fascinated by Sacrifice Flies” (2017), detailing the idiosyncrasies that define his love for the game...Kurkjian has served on two Era Committees for the Hall of Fame and is on the board of directors for the Shirley Povich Center for Sports Journalism at Maryland.

VOTING RECAP

THE 2022 BALLOT: The BBWAA ballot featured 30 players, including 13 new candidates and 17 returnees...Candidates appearing on the necessary 75 percent of all ballots cast to earn election appear in bold below...Candidates receiving less than five percent of the vote are no longer eligible for BBWAA consideration and appear in italics below...Barry Bonds, Roger Clemens Curt Schilling and Sammy Sosa each appeared on the ballot for the 10th-and-final time and are no longer eligible for BBWAA consideration and appear in italics below...Bonds, Clemens, Schilling and Sosa will each be eligible for the Today’s Game Era Committee ballot, which will be announced in the days following the conclusion of the 2022 World Series and voted on in December...Two first-year candidates received the five percent of the vote necessary to remain on the ballot: **Álex Rodríguez** (34.3%) and **Jimmy Rollins** (9.4%)...Fourteen players will return for consideration in 2023...A total of 394 votes were cast, with 296 votes necessary for election and 20 votes necessary to remain on the ballot...Six blank ballots were cast...The final results, in order of percentage received with number of years on the ballot:

NAME	YR	2022	NAME	YR	2022	NAME	YR	2022
David Ortiz	1	77.9%	Jeff Kent	9	32.7%	<i>Tim Hudson</i>	2	3.0%
<i>Barry Bonds</i>	10	66.0%	Manny Ramírez	6	28.9%	<i>Tim Lincecum</i>	1	2.3%
<i>Roger Clemens</i>	10	65.2%	Omar Vizquel	5	23.9%	<i>Ryan Howard</i>	1	2.0%
Scott Rolen	5	63.2%	<i>Sammy Sosa</i>	10	18.5%	<i>Mark Teixeira</i>	1	1.5%
<i>Curt Schilling</i>	10	58.6%	Andy Pettitte	4	10.7%	<i>Justin Morneau</i>	1	1.3%
Todd Helton	4	52.0%	Jimmy Rollins	1	9.4%	<i>Jonathan Papelbon</i>	1	1.3%
Billy Wagner	7	51.0%	Bobby Abreu	3	8.6%	<i>Prince Fielder</i>	1	0.5%
Andrew Jones	5	41.4%	Mark Buehrle	2	5.8%	<i>A.J. Pierzynski</i>	1	0.5%
Gary Sheffield	8	40.6%	Torii Hunter	2	5.3%	<i>Carl Crawford</i>	1	0.0%
Álex Rodríguez	1	34.3%	<i>Joe Nathan</i>	1	4.3%	<i>Jake Peavy</i>	1	0.0%

THE VOTING ELECTORATE: Of the 405 Hall of Fame ballots distributed to BBWAA voters for the 2022 election, 394 were returned, a return rate of 97.2 percent...The most ballots ever cast in one BBWAA Hall of Fame election came in 2011 with 581...Voting privileges are extended to those BBWAA members meeting their organization’s Hall of Fame voting qualifications and in good standing with the BBWAA...Voters can select from zero to 10 names on their Hall of Fame ballot...Votes on 75 percent of all ballots cast are necessary for election.

CAREFUL SELECTION: 2022 marked the 78th Hall of Fame election held by the BBWAA...Starting in 1936, the BBWAA has elected someone 69 times and on nine occasions it did not elect anyone (1945, 1946, 1950, 1958, 1960, 1971, 1996, 2013, 2021)...On nine occasions, no election was held (1940, 1941, 1943, 1944, 1957, 1959, 1961, 1963, 1965)...The BBWAA membership has elected from zero to five candidates in each of its 78 elections...As quantified in the chart below, the BBWAA has voted in two players more than any other quantity (27 times).

ELECTED	TIMES	LAST	CLASS
5	1	1936	Cobb, Johnson, Mathewson, Ruth, Wagner
4	5	2019	Halladay, Martinez, Mussina, Rivera
3	9	2017	Bagwell, Raines, Rodríguez
2	27	2020	Jeter, Walker
1	27	2022	Ortiz
0	9	2021	----

LUCKY SEVEN: The seven-member Class of 2022 marks just the third time in the last 50 years – and just the 11th time in Hall of Fame history – that a class of seven-or-more electees has been named...In 2006, a record 18 candidates were elected by the BBWAA and the Special Committee on Negro Leagues...In 1999, three candidates were elected by the BBWAA and four were named by the Veterans Committee...Other classes that included seven or more members are: 1972 (8), 1971 (8), 1964 (7), 1953 (8), 1946 (11), 1945 (10), 1939 (10) and 1937 (8).

58 AT FIRST: The election of David Ortiz brings the total of first-year BBWAA inductees to 58 and marks the eighth class in nine years with at least one first-ballot inductee...The last stretch of at least eight first ballot electees in nine years was 1986-95 when – in that 10-year period – only the 1987 election did not feature a first-ballot electee.

RED SOX IN COOPERSTOWN: Including players, managers and executives, the Red Sox now have 11 Hall of Famers represented as their primary team in Cooperstown, with David Ortiz the most recent addition to the list...The Red Sox are tied for ninth among all teams on that list with the Brooklyn Dodgers, Cincinnati Reds and Philadelphia Phillies with 11 Hall of Famers...The Yankees sit atop that list with 30 Hall of Famers.

FOUR DOMINICAN LEGENDS: David Ortiz is the fourth native of the Dominican Republic to earn election to the Hall of Fame, following Juan Marichal (1983), Pedro Martínez (2015) and Vladimir Guerrero (2018)...Overall, Ortiz is the 16th Latino to earn election.

DESIGNATED THIRD: David Ortiz becomes the third player elected to the Hall of Fame who appeared in at least 60 percent of his games at designated hitter – and the first one to earn election on his first time on the BBWAA ballot...Edgar Martinez, elected on his 10th time on the BBWAA ballot, and Harold Baines, elected by the Today’s Game Era Committee, became the first two DHs inducted in 2019.

POWER OF 10: David Ortiz is the 340th candidate elected to the Hall of Fame, following a career where he wore No. 34 for 14 seasons with the Boston Red Sox.

ROLEN ALONG: Scott Rolen reached the 60-percent mark in the BBWAA voting for the first time this year after being named on 63.2 percent of all ballots cast...Barry Bonds (66.0 percent) and Roger Clemens (65.2 percent) also hit the 60-percent mark this year after having first reached the mark in 2020...All other candidates who have ever reached the 60-percent mark in any BBWAA election have subsequently been elected to the Hall of Fame by either the BBWAA or a Hall of Fame veterans committee.

10 CHANCES: Four candidates – Barry Bonds, Roger Clemens, Curt Schilling and Sammy Sosa – fall off the BBWAA ballot starting in 2023 because they have reached the 10-year maximum time allowed by rule on the ballot...This marks the most players to age out of the BBWAA ballot since the 10-year maximum rule was put into place in 2014...The last time as many as three players aged off the ballot in one season was in 1996 when Curt Flood, Tony Oliva and Vada Pinson were dropped following their 15th year (then the maximum allowed) on the ballot.

FIRST IS ENOUGH: By appearing on 77.9 percent of all ballots cast, David Ortiz becomes the fifth candidate in history to earn election in his first year on the BBWAA ballot while receiving less than 80 percent of the vote...Jackie Robinson (77.5% in 1962), Lou Brock (79.7%), Robin Yount (77.5% in 1999) and Iván Rodríguez (76.0% in 2017) each earned election in their first year eligible.

NOT TOO DISTANT FUTURE: A partial list of eligible first-time players for upcoming Hall of Fame elections includes: **2023:** Carlos Beltrán, John Lackey, Francisco Rodríguez, Jayson Werth; **2024:** Adrián Beltré, Joe Mauer, Chase Utley, David Wright; **2025:** Brian McCann, CC Sabathia, Ichiro Suzuki, Troy Tulowitzki; **2026:** Ryan Braun, Edwin Encarnación, Matt Kemp, Nick Markakis; **2027:** Jay Bruce, Jon Lester, Buster Posey, Kyle Seager.

RULES FOR ELECTION: Voting criteria for BBWAA electors can be found at <http://baseballhall.org/hall-famers/rules-election/bbwaa>...Voting rules state that: “Voting shall be based upon the player's record, playing ability, integrity, sportsmanship, character, and contributions to the team(s) on which the player played.”

THE GAME’S ELITE: The Hall of Fame is comprised of 340 elected members...Included are 268 former major league players, as well as 40 executives/pioneers, 22 managers and 10 umpires...The BBWAA has elected 135 candidates to the Hall while the veterans committees (in all forms) have chosen 179 deserving candidates ...The defunct “Committee on Negro Baseball Leagues” selected nine men between 1971-77 and the Special Committee on Negro Leagues in 2006 elected 17 Negro Leaguers...There are currently 75 living members.

75 AMBASSADORS: The 75 living members of the Hall of Fame are: Roberto Alomar, Luis Aparicio, Jeff Bagwell, Harold Baines, Johnny Bench, Craig Biggio, Bert Blyleven, Wade Boggs, George Brett, Rod Carew, Steve Carlton, Orlando Cepeda, Bobby Cox, Andre Dawson, Dennis Eckersley, Rollie Fingers, Carlton Fisk, Pat Gillick, Tom Glavine, Goose Gossage, Ken Griffey Jr., Vladimir Guerrero, Rickey Henderson, Whitey Herzog, Trevor Hoffman, Reggie Jackson, Ferguson Jenkins, Derek Jeter, Randy Johnson, Chipper Jones, Jim Kaat, Sandy Koufax, Barry Larkin, Tony La Russa, Greg Maddux, Juan Marichal, Edgar Martinez, Pedro Martínez, Willie Mays, Bill Mazerowski, Paul Molitor, Jack Morris, Eddie Murray, Mike Mussina, Tony Oliva, David Ortiz, Jim Palmer, Tony Pérez, Gaylord Perry, Mike Piazza, Tim Lincecum, Jim Rice, Cal Ripken, Mariano Rivera, Brooks Robinson, Iván Rodríguez, Nolan Ryan, Ryne Sandberg, Mike Schmidt, John Schuerholz, Bud Selig, Ted Simmons, Lee Smith, Ozzie Smith, John Smoltz, Bruce Sutter, Frank Thomas, Jim Thome, Joe Torre, Alan Trammell, Larry Walker, Billy Williams, Dave Winfield, Carl Yastrzemski and Robin Yount.

CONNECTING GENERATIONS: Willie Mays, born May 6, 1931, is currently the oldest living Hall of Famer at 91...The Hall of Famer to reach the highest age was **Bobby Doerr**, who was 99 years, 220 days old when he passed away in 2017...**David Ortiz**, who was born on Nov. 18, 1975, is the youngest living Hall of Famer at 46 years of age...The youngest elected Hall of Famer was **Sandy Koufax**, who was 36 when he was elected in 1972.

BETWEEN THE LINES: Including Negro League players, the following is a breakdown by position of the 268 Hall of Famers who earned their election on the playing field...Also included is the last major leaguer to be elected at each position...Numbers in parentheses indicate Hall of Famers elected by the BBWAA at each position.

Pitchers 84 (45)	Second Basemen ..21 (11)	Left Fielders23 (12)
Catchers 19 (10)	Third Basemen 17 (8)	Center Fielders24 (8)
First Basemen 25 (12)	Shortstops26 (12)	Right Fielders27 (15)
Designated Hitter 3 (2)		

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| P: Kaat (2022) | DH: Ortiz (2022) | LF: Miñoso (2022) |
| C: Simmons (2020) | 2B: Biggio (2015) | CF: Griffey Jr. (2016) |
| 1B: Hodges (2022) | 3B: Jones (2018) | RF: Oliva (2022) |
| | SS: Jeter (2020) | |

FIRST THINGS FIRST: With the election of David Ortiz, 58 players have been elected in their first year of eligibility (18 pitchers, seven RF, six 3B, six LF, six SS, five CF, three 2B, three 1B, two catchers and two DHs; position based on where electee played the majority of his big league games)...In 15 of the last 21 elections, at least one player has been elected in his first year of eligibility...Other than the inaugural Hall of Fame election, 1999, 2014 and 2015 are the only three years where as many as three first-year candidates were elected at once...NOTE: Lou Gehrig (who received votes in 1936 while active and then was elected by acclamation in 1939) and Roberto Clemente (by special election in 1973) were each elected through a non-traditional process and are not counted in the 58.

YEAR	NAME	YEAR	NAME	YEAR	NAME	YEAR	NAME
1936	Ty Cobb	1981	Bob Gibson	1995	Mike Schmidt	2014	Tom Glavine
1936	Honus Wagner	1982	Hank Aaron	1999	Nolan Ryan	2014	Frank Thomas
1936	Babe Ruth	1982	Frank Robinson	1999	George Brett	2015	Randy Johnson
1936	Christy Mathewson	1983	Brooks Robinson	1999	Robin Yount	2015	Pedro Martínez
1936	Walter Johnson	1985	Lou Brock	2001	Kirby Puckett	2015	John Smoltz
1962	Jackie Robinson	1986	Willie McCovey	2001	Dave Winfield	2016	Ken Griffey Jr.
1962	Bob Feller	1988	Willie Stargell	2002	Ozzie Smith	2017	Iván Rodríguez
1966	Ted Williams	1989	Johnny Bench	2003	Eddie Murray	2018	Chipper Jones
1969	Stan Musial	1989	Carl Yastrzemski	2004	Dennis Eckersley	2018	Jim Thome
1972	Sandy Koufax	1990	Joe Morgan	2004	Paul Molitor	2019	Roy Halladay
1973	Warren Spahn	1990	Jim Palmer	2005	Wade Boggs	2019	Mariano Rivera
1974	Mickey Mantle	1991	Rod Carew	2007	Cal Ripken Jr.	2020	Derek Jeter
1977	Ernie Banks	1992	Tom Seaver	2007	Tony Gwynn	2022	David Ortiz
1979	Willie Mays	1993	Reggie Jackson	2009	Rickey Henderson		
1980	Al Kaline	1994	Steve Carlton	2014	Greg Maddux		

TRY AND TRY AGAIN: The 75 men not elected by the BBWAA in their first year eligible were done so on a later ballot, taking from two to 16 elections...The length of time a player could stay on the BBWAA ballot has varied throughout history...From 1946-56, the rule was that a player must have been active at some point in the 25 years prior to the election – it was increased to 30 years from 1956-62, was 20 years from 1963-2014 and is now 15 years...When one walks through the Hall of Fame Gallery, though, the year or method by which players were elected are not noted...The 75 non-first year BBWAA electees: **2nd election** (Alomar, Berra, Fingers, Fisk, Ford, Guerrero, Lajoie, Speaker, Young); **3rd election** (Alexander, Biggio, Grove, Hoffman, Hubbell, Hunter, Jenkins, Larkin, Marichal, Ott, Perry, Sandberg); **4th election** (E.Collins, DiMaggio, Keeler, Killebrew, Piazza, Roberts, Sisler, Wynn); **5th election** (Campanella, Hornsby, Mathews, Niekro, Sutton); **6th election** (Aparicio, Carter, Cochrane, Frisch, Gehringer, Mussina, P.Waner, B.Williams); **7th election** (Appling, Bagwell, Foxx); **8th election** (Pennock, Traynor, Wilhelm); **9th election** (Dawson, Gossage, Greenberg, Medwick, Pérez); **10th election** (Boudreau, Cronin, Dickey, Drysdale, Lyons, E Martinez, Raines, Simmons, Walker); **11th election** (Snider); **12th election** (Dean, Hartnett, Heilmann, Lemon); **13th election** (Kiner, Sutter); **14th election** (Blyleven, Maranville, Terry); **15th election** (Rice, Ruffing); **16th election** (Vance).

ONE-TEAM WONDERS: There are 56 Hall of Famers who spent their entire career with one team, with 2022 electee Tony Oliva the most recent addition to this list...The list includes: Luke Appling, Jeff Bagwell, Ernie Banks, Johnny Bench, Craig Biggio, George Brett, Roy Campanella, Roberto Clemente, Earle Combs, Bill Dickey, Joe DiMaggio, Bobby Doerr, Don Drysdale, Red Faber, Bob Feller, Whitey Ford, Lou Gehrig, Charlie Gehringer, Bob Gibson, Tony Gwynn, Carl Hubbell, Travis Jackson, Derek Jeter, Walter Johnson, Chipper Jones, Addie Joss, Al Kaline, Sandy Koufax, Barry Larkin, Bob Lemon, Ted Lyons, Mickey Mantle, Edgar Martinez, Bill Mazeroski, Bid McPhee, Stan Musial, Tony Oliva, Mel Ott, Jim Palmer, Kirby Puckett, Pee Wee Reese, Jim Rice, Cal Ripken, Mariano Rivera, Phil Rizzuto, Brooks Robinson, Jackie Robinson, Mike Schmidt, Willie Stargell, Alan Trammell, Pie Traynor, Bill Terry, Ted Williams, Carl Yastrzemski, Ross Youngs and Robin Yount.

NINE TENTHS OF THE LAW: In 2020, Derek Jeter became the 35th player to earn at least 90 percent in any one BBWAA election...The 35 players with at least 90 percent of votes cast in their favor:

YEAR	PLAYER	BALLOTS CAST	VOTES RECEIVED	% RECEIVED	OMITTED BALLOTS
2019	Mariano Rivera	425	425	100%	0
2020	Derek Jeter	397	396	99.75%	1
2016	Ken Griffey Jr.	440	437	99.32%	3
1992	Tom Seaver	430	425	98.84%	5
1999	Nolan Ryan	497	491	98.79%	6
2007	Cal Ripken	545	537	98.53%	8
1936	Ty Cobb	226	222	98.23%	4
1999	George Brett	497	488	98.19%	9
1982	Hank Aaron	415	406	97.83%	9
2007	Tony Gwynn	545	532	97.60%	13
2015	Randy Johnson	549	534	97.27%	15
2014	Greg Maddux	571	555	97.20%	16
2018	Chipper Jones	422	410	97.16%	12
1995	Mike Schmidt	460	444	96.52%	16
1989	Johnny Bench	447	431	96.42%	16
1994	Steve Carlton	456	436	95.61%	20
1936	Honus Wagner	226	215	95.13%	11
1936	Babe Ruth	226	215	95.13%	11
2009	Rickey Henderson	539	511	94.81%	28
1979	Willie Mays	432	409	94.67%	23
1989	Carl Yastrzemski	447	423	94.63%	24
1962	Bob Feller	160	150	93.75%	10
1993	Reggie Jackson	423	396	93.62%	27
1966	Ted Williams	302	282	93.37%	20
1969	Stan Musial	340	317	93.23%	23
2018	Vladimir Guerrero	392	422	92.89%	30
1990	Jim Palmer	444	411	92.57%	33
1983	Brooks Robinson	374	344	91.97%	30
2014	Tom Glavine	571	525	91.94%	46
2005	Wade Boggs	516	474	91.86%	42
2002	Ozzie Smith	472	433	91.74%	39
2015	Pedro Martínez	549	500	91.07%	49
1936	Christy Mathewson	226	205	90.70%	21
1991	Rod Carew	443	401	90.50%	42
2011	Roberto Alomar	581	523	90.02%	58

CLOSE, BUT NO CIGAR: Several individuals have come close to being elected to the Hall of Fame, but have missed by the slimmest of margins in a given year. All on the list below were subsequently elected to the Hall of Fame:

YEAR	PLAYER	BALLOTS CAST	VOTES RECEIVED	NEEDED/ELECTION	SHORT BY
2014	Craig Biggio	571	427	429	2
1985	Nellie Fox	395	295	297	2
1947	Pie Traynor	161	119	121	2
1986	Billy Williams	425	315	319	4
1988	Jim Bunning	427	317	321	4
2010	Bert Blyleven	539	400	405	5
2017	Trevor Hoffman	442	327	332	5
1994	Orlando Cepeda	455	335	342	7
1967	Joe Medwick	292	212	219	7
1945	Frank Chance	247	179	186	7
1953	Bill Terry	264	191	198	7
1982	Juan Marichal	415	305	312	7
1951	Paul Waner	226	162	170	8
1968	Roy Campanella	283	205	213	8
2010	Roberto Alomar	539	397	405	8
1975	Robin Roberts	362	263	272	9
1997	Don Sutton	473	346	355	9
2002	Gary Carter	472	343	354	11

CLOSE, AND CIGAR: Twenty-seven Hall of Famers have earned election by 10 votes or less:

YEAR	PLAYER	VOTES NEEDED	RECEIVED	MARGIN
1939	Willie Keeler	206	207	1
1953	Al Simmons	198	199	1
1975	Ralph Kiner	272	273	1
1991	Ferguson Jenkins	333	334	1
1937	Cy Young	151	153	2
1947	Lefty Grove	121	123	2
1948	Pie Traynor	91	93	2
1948	Herb Pennock	91	94	3
1962	Jackie Robinson	120	124	4
2017	Iván Rodríguez	332	336	4
1972	Early Wynn	297	301	4
1987	Jim “Catfish” Hunter	310	315	5
1954	Bill Terry	189	195	6
1955	Gabby Hartnett	189	195	6
2005	Ryne Sandberg	387	393	6
2020	Larry Walker	298	304	6
1939	Eddie Collins	206	213	7
1942	Rogers Hornsby	175	182	7
1947	Mickey Cochrane	121	128	7
1956	Joe Cronin	145	152	7
1970	Lou Boudreau	225	232	7
2009	Jim Rice	405	412	7
2019	Mike Mussina	319	326	7
1951	Jimmie Foxx	170	179	9
1991	Gaylord Perry	333	342	9
1974	Whitey Ford	274	284	10
2000	Tony Pérez	375	385	10

MUSEUM NEWS FROM COOPERSTOWN

HALL OF FAME RESTRUCTURES ERA COMMITTEE AND FRICK AWARD VOTING: The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum’s Board of Directors announced April 22 the restructuring of its Era Committee elections along with changes to the Ford C. Frick Award balloting and election processes...Effective immediately, the Board has made changes to the Era Committee system that provide an avenue for Hall of Fame consideration to managers, umpires and executives, as well as players retired for more than 15 seasons...Highlighting these changes is a consolidation of eras into two timeframes – the *Contemporary Baseball Era*, consisting of the period from 1980 to present day, and the *Classic Baseball Era*, consisting of the period prior to 1980 and including Negro Leagues and pre-Negro Leagues stars...The *Contemporary Baseball Era* will split into two separate ballots – one ballot to consider only players who made their greatest impact on the game since 1980, and another composite ballot consisting of managers, executives and umpires whose greatest contributions to the game have come since 1980...Each of these three Era Committees – the Contemporary Baseball Era player ballot, the Contemporary Baseball Era non-player ballot, and the Classic Baseball Era composite ballot – will rotate on an annual basis, and each ballot consisting of eight candidates...Effective beginning in January 2023, eligible players must have been retired for 16 or more seasons, equal to a one-year waiting period following their final potential year of eligibility on the BBWAA ballot...Eras considered for yearly election are as follows: December 2022 (for Class of 2023) – *Contemporary Baseball/Players*; December 2023 (for Class of 2024) – *Contemporary Baseball/Managers-Umpires-Executives*; December 2024 (for Class of 2025) – *Classic Baseball*... This cycle will repeat every three years, with Contemporary Baseball/Players eligible for consideration again in December 2025 for the Class of 2026...A number of changes have also been made to the annual Ford C. Frick Award elections, presented annually to a preeminent baseball broadcaster since 1978...A ballot of 10 candidates will now be set, up from eight in the previous voting system... There will now be a requirement that at least one candidate be a foreign language broadcaster...A new election cycle has been established, with a composite ballot featuring local and national voices in four consecutive years, followed by a fifth year featuring a ballot of candidates whose broadcasting careers concluded prior to the advent of the Wild Card Era in 1994...The new cycle will begin with the 2023 Frick Award, with composite ballots of local and national voices continuing with the Awards in 2024, 2025 and 2026 before the pre-Wild Card Era ballot is considered for the 2027 Award...The cycle then repeats every five years.

MUSEUM INITIATIVE TO HIGHLIGHT STORY OF BLACK BASEBALL: Seventy-five years ago, Jackie Robinson changed a game, and a nation, forever. His stepping onto the diamond at Ebbets Field on April 15, 1947 created a monumental shift in America's path toward Civil Rights...Robinson's debut for the Brooklyn Dodgers remains one of the most significant moments in our country's history...But it's just one of the many important chapters to the story of Black baseball – a story that has inspired and empowered generations...The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum will honor this history and celebrate its impact with an initiative to tell the story of Black baseball, culminating in the opening of a new permanent exhibit at the Museum in Cooperstown in April 2024...This exhibit will replace *Ideals and Injustices*, the Hall of Fame's current exhibit about the Black baseball experience...Originally titled *Pride and Passion*, it opened in 1997 in celebration of the 50th anniversary of Jackie Robinson breaking the color barrier...In the 25 years since the Museum opened the *Pride and Passion* exhibit, extensive research has allowed the baseball community to better understand the statistics, as well as the significance, of those who created and participated in Black baseball...Utilizing innovative technology to enhance and improve the visitor experience, the new exhibit will tell a more complete story of civil rights initiatives in the United States and throughout the baseball world...To develop this initiative, the Hall of Fame has fostered new partnerships and expanded on existing relationships with cultural and historical institutions around the country, including the formation of an Advisory Board with representation from Major League Baseball, the MLB Players Association, the Smithsonian Institution, Negro Leagues Baseball Museum, the Jackie Robinson Foundation, The Players Alliance and more...The Hall of Fame will also hire a full-time curator to help provide an authentic perspective in the development of the project...The Advisory Board will also include a number of living Hall of Famers, former players, historians, media members and others from the baseball family, including Ken Griffey Jr., Barry Larkin, Dave Winfield, Doug Glanville, Adam Jones and Dave Stewart, among others...In addition to the resulting exhibit, this initiative will develop a plan to integrate more stories of Black baseball into existing exhibits throughout the Museum...New online content will be developed, as well as an outreach plan to create positive impacts in communities throughout the country.

COMING TO COOPERSTOWN: The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum has already received treasures from the 2022 season, including: The cap worn by Cleveland pitcher Shane Bieber in the team's first game as the Guardians on April 7...Several items commemorating Rachel Balkovec's managerial debut on April 8 for the Tampa Tarpons, including the jersey she wore, the first pitch ball from the game, the original dugout lineup card, the official scorer's scorecard and tickets to the game...The cap worn by Cooperstown native Phil Pohl when he made his debut as Lansing Lugnuts' manager on April 10...The batting helmet worn by Giants' coach Alyssa Nakken when she coached first base for the team April 12...The cap worn by the Brewers' Andrew McCutchen on April 15, featuring the Jackie Robinson Day patch and a patch commemorating him as a winner of the Roberto Clemente Award...The jersey worn by Guardians pitcher Zach Plesac on April 15 in the team's first home game as the Guardians...A ball thrown by Mets starting pitcher Tylor Megill and signed by all five Mets pitchers – Drew Smith, Joely Rodríguez, Seth Lugo and Edwin Díaz – along with catcher James McCann – who combined for a no-hitter against the Phillies on April 29...And the cap worn by the Giants' Sean Hjelle during his big league debut on May 6 when the 6-foot-11 Hjelle matched Jon Rauch as the tallest player in big league history.

AUTUMN GLORY: Artifacts from the Atlanta Braves' world championship have arrived in Cooperstown and are now on display in the Museum's *Autumn Glory* exhibit...The artifacts from the 2021 postseason will be on display through the 2022 postseason in *Autumn Glory*, the Museum's exhibition celebrating the postseason...Artifacts include:

- The pearl necklace worn by Joc Pederson throughout the Postseason
- Spikes worn by Braves Game 6 starter Max Fried, who pitched six shutout innings to earn the victory
- Batting helmet worn by World Series MVP Jorge Soler
- Bat used by Braves first baseman Freddie Freeman in Game 6 when he doubled and homered
- Glove used by NLCS MVP Eddie Rosario
- Cap worn by Braves Game 3 starter Ian Anderson, who did not allow a hit over five innings, and a ball he threw during that game
- Spikes worn in Game 6 by Braves reliever Will Smith, who did not allow a run in 11 Postseason appearances
- Cap worn in Game 6 by Braves shortstop Dansby Swanson
- Jersey worn in Game 1 by Braves manager Brian Snitker
- Cap worn by Astros manager Dusty Baker during the regular season
- Batting helmet worn by ALCS MVP Yordan Álvarez during the Postseason

COOPERSTOWN CONNECTION

HALL OF FAMER GEORGE BRETT FEATURED IN MAY 27 MUSEUM PROGRAM WITH WILLIE AIKENS: George Brett and Willie Aikens will be featured in Museum program about *The Royal*, the feature-length film due out this summer detailing Aikens' battle with the criminal justice system during his memorable career...As a leadoff to Hall of Fame Classic Weekend, the Museum will host a question-and-answer program with Brett and Aikens at 2 p.m. on Friday, May 27, in the Hall of Fame's Grandstand Theater...The program will also be streamed online at the Hall of Fame's [Facebook page](#)...A film about addiction and redemption, family and faith, and how the correctional system can deny a man the chance to truly correct, *The Royal* chronicles Aikens' battle to reconstruct a family with his wife and daughter despite mandatory minimum-sentence drug laws that kept him incarcerated...With the support of Brett – his teammate on the Royals from 1980-83, Aikens, who hit four home runs in the 1980 World Series, eventually overcame his addiction and testified before Congress about his battle with substance abuse...*The Royal* is distributed by Samuel Goldwyn Films and available on Amazon, Apple and Vudu starting July 16.

MUSEUM EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP WITH MORGAN STANLEY, LINCOLN AVENUE CAPITAL UNDERWAY: The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum, in partnership with Morgan Stanley and Lincoln Avenue Capital, is continuing programming initiatives based on the Hall of Fame's award-winning educational curriculum in low-income communities across the country...In 2021, the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum received a grant from Morgan Stanley that is funding a four-year effort to support students across the country, including Morgan Stanley-funded affordable housing developments, through inspiring and educational programming... As part of this initiative, Lincoln Avenue Capital – a mission-driven affordable housing acquirer and developer, investor, and operator serving low-income individuals and families nationwide – will hold afterschool programs at several of its properties... Locations to benefit from Morgan Stanley's grant this spring will be Lincoln Avenue Capital properties Jubilee Courtyards in Florida City, Fla.; Logan Heights in Sanford, Fla.; Orchard Place in Rochester, N.Y.; Troutdale Terrace in Troutdale, Ore; and Zephyr Pointe in Reno, Nev.... Each off-site education program funded by Morgan Stanley will run for eight weeks, with local partner educators delivering the Hall of Fame's curriculum...A weekly live connection to Cooperstown with a Hall of Fame expert educator is integrated into each week's lesson plan, with these virtual field trips reinforcing the lessons being taught on-site using distance-learning technology...Participating community groups will have the opportunity to customize their individual curriculum to their own interests and needs.

MUSEUM PRESENTS HALL OF FAME CONNECTIONS YOUTUBE SERIES: Through its YouTube series *Hall of Fame Connections*, the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum is sharing the fascinating connections that link early baseball with today's game...Produced by MLB Network and made possible by a grant from New York State's Division of Tourism, the series looks at the Hall of Fame's collection from a new and exciting angle, with each episode telling a different story of how two seemingly unrelated artifacts in the Museum's vast collection connect to each other, crossing through generations of baseball history...Each two-part episode features both a narrative storytelling element that weaves through the history of some of the Museum's most iconic artifacts, and the Hall of Fame's curators conversing about those artifacts and stories with MLB Network personalities Carlos Peña, a former MLB All-Star, and sports journalist Lindsay Berra, the granddaughter of Hall of Fame catcher Yogi Berra...The series consists of 13 episodes, all available to stream for free through the Hall of Fame's YouTube channel at youtube.com/baseballhall.

VIP TREATMENT: Fans have the opportunity to explore the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum through a special program designed to give Cooperstown visitors a Hall of Fame VIP Experience...The Museum has partnered with Cooperstown accommodations to offer this unique package, which includes behind-the-scenes experiences at the Museum...This special package is only available through participating accommodations...Your VIP Experience will begin with exclusive after-hours access to the Hall of Fame on Thursday evening and wrap up on Friday with a private reception...Upcoming dates include Sept. 22-23 and Nov. 17-18...For more information, please visit baseballhall.org/visit/vip-experience or call 607-547-0249.

SUMMER DAYS, SUMMER NIGHTS: The Museum's extended hours begin Memorial Day Weekend and will remain in effect through the day before Labor Day...Extended summer hours are from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. from Sunday, May 29 through Sept. 4...The Museum is open every day of the year, except for Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day... Ticket prices are \$28 for adults (13 and over), \$22 for seniors (65 and over), \$19 for those holding current memberships in the VFW, Disabled American Veterans, American Legion and AMVets organizations, and \$17 for juniors (ages 7-12)...Members and active or career retired military personnel are always admitted free of charge and there is no charge for children 6 years of age or younger...For more information, visit our website at www.baseballhall.org or call (607) 547-7200.