

# 1947 BROOKLYN DODGERS

94-60 1st

MGRs Clyde Sukeforth #40 (2 games)

Burt Shotton NN (152 games)

## DP: 311 to 341

## Error: 351 to 355

|                                    | BA   | SB | W/K   | HR  | T   | D   | L   | R   | RNG | Def. |                                 |     |
|------------------------------------|------|----|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|---------------------------------|-----|
| "Jackie" Robinson #42 <u>Jack</u>  | .297 | 29 | MK    | 114 | 116 | 135 | 255 | 254 | AAR |      | 1B151                           | R R |
| Eddie Stanky "The Brat" #12        | .252 | 3  | PW MK | 111 | 113 | 126 | 242 | 236 | AR  | SD   | 2B146                           | R R |
| "Pee Wee" Reese #1 <u>capt</u>     | .284 | 7  | PW    | 115 | 121 | 136 | 253 | 251 | AAR | SD   | SS142                           | R R |
| "Spider" Jorgensen #21 <u>John</u> | .274 | 4  |       | 112 | 116 | 142 | 242 | 246 | AR  |      | 3B127                           | L R |
| "Dixie" Walker #11 <u>Fred</u>     | .306 | 6  | PW MK | 114 | 115 | 136 | 256 | 256 | AR  |      | OF147(RF)                       | L R |
| Carl Furillo "Skoony" #6           | .295 | 7  | MK    | 114 | 121 | 141 | 256 | 253 | AAR | T-1  | OF121(CF/LF)                    | R R |
| Pete Reiser "Pistol Pete" #27      | .309 | 14 |       | 113 | 114 | 135 | 256 | 261 | AAR |      | OF108(CF/LF)                    | L R |
| Bruce Edwards "Bull" #10           | .295 | 2  |       | 114 | 122 | 133 | 256 | 253 | AR  | SD   | C128                            | R R |
| Gene Hermanski #22                 | .275 | 5  | MK    | 122 | 123 | 135 | 243 | 246 | AAR | T-1  | OF66(LF)                        | L R |
| "Arky" Vaughan #9 <u>Joseph</u>    | .325 | 4  | PW    | 113 | 116 | 133 | 261 | 265 | AAR |      | PH, OF22(LF),<br>3B10           | L R |
| Eddie Miksis #34                   | .267 | 0  |       | 124 | -   | 131 | 246 | 243 | AR  |      | PH, 2B13,<br>OF11(LF), 3B5, SS2 | R R |
| Gil Hodges #14                     | .156 | 0  | PK    | 113 | 116 | 132 | 166 | 163 | AR  | LD   | C24, PH                         | R R |
| "Duke" Snider #4 <u>Edwin</u>      | .276 | 2  | MW PK | -   | 113 | 125 | 244 | 246 | AAR |      | OF25(CF/RF/LF), PH              | L R |
| Stan Rojek #3                      | .263 | 1  | MK    | -   | 113 | -   | 246 | 242 | AAR |      | SS17, 3B9, 2B7                  | R R |
| "Cookie" Lavagetto #5 <u>Harry</u> | .261 | 0  | MK    | 123 | -   | 126 | 244 | 242 | AR  |      | PH, 3B18, 1B7                   | R R |
| Al Gionfriddo #30 X                | .177 | 2  | PW    | -   | 113 | 124 | 165 | 213 | AAR | LD   | PH, OF17(LF/RF)                 | L L |
| Bobby Bragan "Nig" #24             | .194 | 1  | PW    | -   | -   | 126 | 223 | 215 | SLO |      | C21                             | R R |
| Ralph Branca                       | .124 | 0  | PK    | -   | -   | 112 | 156 | 152 | SLO |      | P43                             | R R |
| Joe Hatten                         | .205 | 1  | MW    | -   | -   | 115 | 223 | 222 | SLO |      | P42                             | R L |
| Vic Lombardi                       | .242 | 0  | MW PK | -   | -   | 121 | 232 | 235 | AR  |      | P33                             | L L |
| Harry Taylor                       | .129 | 0  | MW    | -   | 113 | 124 | 161 | 153 | SLO |      | P33                             | R R |
| Hal Gregg                          | .265 | 0  | MW PK | -   | -   | 116 | 244 | 243 | SLO |      | P37                             | R R |
| Hank Behrman + *                   | .231 | 0  | MW PK | -   | -   | 122 | 235 | 231 | SLO |      | P40                             | R R |
| Clyde King                         | .115 | 0  | MW PK | -   | -   | 122 | 154 | 146 | SLO |      | P29                             | B R |
| Rex Barney                         | .111 | 0  | PK    | -   | -   | 122 | 146 | 146 | SLO |      | P28                             | R R |
| Pitcher R                          | .110 | -  | MW PK | 111 | -   | 113 | 153 | 145 | SLO |      |                                 |     |
| Pitcher L                          | .110 | -  | MW PK | 111 | -   | 113 | 145 | 146 | SLO |      |                                 |     |

|                      | ERA  | IP  | W   | K   | G  | GS | SV |      |     |           |
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| Ralph Branca #13 #20 | 2.67 | 280 | 134 | 621 | 43 | 36 | 1  | .124 | R R | "Hawk"    |
| Joe Hatten #19       | 3.63 | 225 | 143 | 636 | 42 | 32 | 0  | .205 | R L |           |
| Vic Lombardi #18     | 2.99 | 175 | 135 | 632 | 33 | 20 | 3  | .242 | L L |           |
| Harry Taylor #41     | 3.11 | 162 | 145 | 635 | 33 | 20 | 1  | .129 | R R |           |
| Kirby Higbe #13 +    | 5.17 | 16  | 156 | 614 | 4  | 3  | 0  | .200 | R R |           |
| Hal Gregg #8 #28     | 5.87 | 104 | 144 | 621 | 37 | 16 | 1  | .265 | R R | "Skeets"  |
| Hank Behrman #29 + * | 5.48 | 92  | 144 | 636 | 40 | 6  | 8  | .231 | R R |           |
| Clyde King #16 #21   | 2.77 | 88  | 133 | 636 | 29 | 9  | 0  | .115 | B R |           |
| Rex Barney #26       | 4.75 | 78  | 162 | 625 | 28 | 9  | 0  | .111 | R R |           |
| Hugh Casey #25       | 3.99 | 77  | 135 | 623 | 46 | 0  | 18 | .056 | R R | "Fireman" |
| Ed Chandler #39      | 6.37 | 30  | 136 | 645 | 15 | 1  | 1  | .000 | R R |           |
| Phil Haugstad #20    | 2.84 | 13  | 132 | 643 | 6  | 1  | 0  | .000 | R R |           |
| Dan Bankhead #23 LD  | 7.20 | 10  | 155 | 622 | 4  | 0  | 1  | .250 | R R |           |

Dodger manager Leo "Lippy" Durocher was suspended by the major league office for the year after allegedly coming in contact with "underworld" figures which meant he had committed "conduct detrimental to baseball." It is reported that Durocher and Yankees co-owner Larry MacPhail had engaged in a personal war of words, supposedly over the Yankees hiring away two of Durocher's coaches. The situation reached a fever-pitch when both parties accused each other of having known gamblers in their clubhouses. Baseball's Commissioner, Albert "Happy" Chandler, who also had warned Durocher of staying away from shady characters in the past, put his foot down and dismissed the Dodger skipper. In the aftermath, coach Clyde Sukeforth served as interim manager for the first two games of the '47 season, a position he didn't want to fill full-time. Burt Shotton managed the team the remainder of the season...On Opening Day, April 15<sup>th</sup>, at Ebbets Field, Jackie Robinson stepped over baseball's "color line" and took his position at first base. He went zero for three at the plate but contributed a run scored and sacrifice during a 5-3 win over the Boston Braves. Robinson would later be named the National League Rookie of the Year and finished fifth in MVP voting. He topped the ball club with 175 base hits and 125 runs scored while leading the league in stolen bases (29). He tied team captain Harold "Pee Wee" Reese for the most home runs (12). "Dixie" Walker's 94 RBI were a team high. The Dodgers hit 83 homers, but ended the year second in N. L. batting (.272) and first with 88 stolen bases...Brooklyn's four prime starters combined for sixty wins led by Ralph Branca's twenty-one and Joe Hatten's seventeen. Reliever Dan Bankhead, a veteran of negro-league baseball, joined the team for a brief time in August and into the post-season. The staff ERA was 3.82...The Dodger season kicked into high-gear June 30<sup>th</sup> when they moved into a tie for first place and remained solely in the top spot for all but two other days the rest of the campaign...The Yanks and Brooklyns split the first six games of the '47 Fall Classic before New York claimed a 5-2 victory in the finale. In Game Four at Ebbets Field, the Yankees Bill Bevens pitched 8 2/3 innings of hitless baseball and led the Dodgers 2-1 going to the last of the ninth. (He had allowed a run in the fifth on a fielder's choice after two walks and sacrifice bunt.) Pinch-hitter "Cookie" Lavagetto smacked a double off the concave-shaped right field wall which peculiarly bounded past Yankee outfielder Tommy Henrich, allowing two Dodger baserunners to score and win the game with two out. Another highlight of the Series came in Game Six when defensive replacement Al Gionfriddo robbed the Yanks Joe DiMaggio of a possible home run or extra-base hit with a marvelous catch 415 feet from home plate at Yankee Stadium with two away in the sixth. The great DiMaggio, the potential tying run, uncharacteristically kicked the infield dirt in disgust, a rare show of emotion on the field. The Dodgers won the game 8-6.