

1968 ST. LOUIS CARDINALS

97-65 1st

MGR Albert "Red" Schoendienst (#2)

DP: 311 to 334

Error: 351 to 355

		BA	SB	W/K	HR	T	D	L	R	RNG	Def.		
Orlando Cepeda "Cha Cha" #30		.248	8		116	121	134	242	235	AR	1B154		R R
Julian Javier "Hoolie" #25		.260	10	MW	112	114	132	243	242	AAR	2B139		R R
Dal Maxvill "Maxie" #27		.253	0		-	112	116	243	236	AR	SD	SS151	R R
Mike Shannon "Moonman" #18		.266	1		116	121	136	245	243	AR		3B156	R R
Roger Maris #9		.255	0		113	114	135	241	241	AR		OF84(RF)	L R
Curt Flood #21		.301	11		112	113	123	255	255	AAR	SD/T-1	OF149(CF)	R R
Lou Brock #20		.279	62		112	121	144	244	251	S		OF156(LF)	L L
Tim McCarver #15		.253	4	MK	112	115	126	235	241	AR	SD	C109	L R
Bobby Tolan #17		.230	9		114	115	132	226	232	AAR		PH, OF67(RF/CF), 1B9	L L
Johnny Edwards #7		.239	1		113	114	126	232	234	SLO	SD	C54, PH	L R
Dick Schofield "Ducky" #11		.220	1	PK	112	114	134	231	225	AR		SS43, 2B23	B R
Phil Gagliano #16		.229	0		-	114	126	233	231	AR		PH, 2B17, 3B10, OF5(LF/RF)	R R
Ron Davis #14	X	.177	1		-	115	134	213	212	AR		OF25(RF/CF/LF)	R R
Dick Simpson #12	+	.232	0	PK	126	-	-	232	232	AR		OF22(RF)	R R
Ed Spiezio #26		.157	1		-	-	-	164	164	AR		PH, OF11(RF/LF), 3B2	R R
Dave Ricketts #10		.136	0	MW	-	-	-	161	155	SLO		PH, C1	B R
Joe Hague #12		.235	0		131	-	-	232	233	AR		OF3(RF), 1B2	L L
Bob Gibson		.170	1	PK	-	-	125	213	166	AR	SD	P34	R R
Nelson Briles		.138	0	MW PK	-	-	115	163	155	SLO		P33	R R
Ray Washburn		.083	0	PK	-	114	-	136	136	SLO		P31	R R
Steve Carlton		.164	0	MW PK	116	123	-	163	166	SLO		P34	L L
Larry Jaster		.140	0	MW	115	-	-	153	161	SLO		P31	L L
Mel Nelson		.167	0	MW PK	-	-	-	166	166	SLO		P18	R L
Mike Torrez		.286	0	MW PK	-	-	-	255	251	SLO		P5	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					
Bob Gibson #45	SD	1.12	305	124	543	34	34	0	.170	R R	"Hoot"	"Gibby"	
Nelson Briles #34		2.81	244	124	616	33	33	0	.138	R R	"Nellie"		
Steve Carlton #32		2.99	232	126	565	34	33	0	.164	L L			
Ray Washburn #44		2.26	215	124	615	31	30	0	.083	R R			
Larry Jaster #39		3.51	154	125	626	31	21	0	.140	L L			
Dick Hughes #31		3.53	64	134	554	25	5	4	.000	R R			
Mel Nelson #47		2.91	53	122	642	18	4	1	.167	R L			
Mike Torrez #48		2.84	19	152	642	5	2	0	.286	R R			
Ron Willis #36		3.39	64	142	612	48	0	4	.000	R R			
Joe Hoerner #43		1.47	49	126	545	47	0	17	.000	R L			
Wayne Granger #29		2.25	44	131	613	34	0	4	.200	R R			
Hal Gilson #47	+	4.57	22	143	555	13	0	2	.000	R L	"Lefty"		
Pete Mikkelsen #46	X	1.13	16	143	621	5	0	0	.000	R R			

The Cards' 87th campaign in Saint Louis resulted in their second consecutive National League title but a tough loss to the Tigers in a seven-game, gut-wrenching World Series. Detroit won the last three games of the Series--the final two at Busch Stadium...The Cardinals had won the senior circuit by nine games over San Francisco. St. Louis won eight of eighteen games during the regular season from the Giants...Bob Gibson recorded a season only the Great Ones complete: National League Most Valuable Player and Cy Young Award winner. "Gibby" posted 22 wins, 28 complete games, 13 shutouts, 268 strikeouts, AND from June 2nd to July 30th, he allowed only TWO earned runs in 92 innings. Opposing batters hit only .184 for the season off Gibson. Also toss in another Gold Glove Award for the hurler who was so mean on the rubber he likely would have brushed back his own mother if she crowded the plate. Bob Gibson has the lowest ERA for a major league season with 300 or more innings pitched...Orlando Cepeda led the hitters with 16 home runs while Mike Shannon (15 homers) topped the Redbirds with 79 RBI. Cepeda knocked home seventy-three. Nellie Briles was a 19-game winner; Steve Carlton was second on the staff with 162 K's...Lou Brock led the N.L. in steals for the third time and topped the league in '68 with 46 doubles and 14 triples. He also led the Cards with 92 runs scored. Curt Flood had a team high 186 base hits. Albert "Red" Schoendienst was selected as the N.L.'s Manager of the Year...This would be the LAST post-season appearance for the Cardinals until 1982; however, the ball club always remained very competitive and regularly filled the stands at Busch with fans from all over the Midwest and Plains states...The Cards hit .249 and were eighth in the N.L. with 73 home runs. They were second with 110 stolen bases...The staff led the league with a 2.49 ERA, shutouts (27) and strikeouts (971).