

# 1968 MINNESOTA TWINS

79-83 7th  
MGR Cal Ermer (#43)

## DP: 311 to 332

## Error: 351 to 356

|                          | BA   | SB | W/K   | HR     | T   | D   | L   | R   | RNG | Def.   |   |     |
|--------------------------|------|----|-------|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|---|-----|
| Harmon Killebrew #3      | .210 | 0  | PW PK | 126    | 131 | 136 | 225 | 223 | AR  | LD(3B) | 1B77, PH, 3B11                                      | R R |
| Rod Carew #29            | .273 | 12 |       | -      | 111 | 132 | 245 | 245 | AAR |        | 2B117, SS4  | L R |
| Jackie Hernandez #24     | .176 | 5  | MW PK | 112    | -   | 115 | 212 | 212 | AAR |        | SS79, 1B1   | R R |
| Cesar Tovar "Pepi" #12   | .272 | 35 |       | MK 112 | 114 | 133 | 251 | 244 | S   |        | OF78(LF/CF/RF),<br>3B75, SS35, 2B18, 1B1,<br>C1, P1 | R R |
| Tony Oliva "Tony O." #6  | .289 | 10 |       | 122    | 124 | 143 | 246 | 253 | AAR | T-1    | OF126(RF)   | L R |
| Ted Uhlander #11         | .283 | 16 |       | 113    | 115 | 132 | 244 | 252 | AAR | SD     | OF129(CF)   | L R |
| Bob Allison #4           | .247 | 9  |       | 124    | 132 | 143 | 241 | 235 | AR  |        | OF117(LF), 1B17,<br>PH                              | R R |
| John Roseboro #10 #13    | .216 | 2  |       | 115    | -   | 126 | 223 | 225 | AR  | SD     | C117, PH  | L R |
| Rich Reese #20           | .259 | 3  |       | 113    | 114 | 132 | 242 | 242 | AR  | SD(1B) | 1B87, PH,<br>OF15(LF)                               | L L |
| Frank Quilici "Guido" #7 | .245 | 0  |       | 111    | 115 | 133 | 235 | 235 | AR  | SD(2B) | 2B48, 3B40, SS6                                     | R R |
| Ron Clark #8             | .185 | 3  |       | 111    | 112 | 121 | 214 | 214 | AR  | LD     | 3B52, SS43, 2B10                                    | R R |
| Rich Rollins "Red" #9    | .241 | 3  |       | 116    | -   | 125 | 234 | 234 | AR  |        | 3B56, PH  | R R |
| Bruce Look #25           | .246 | 0  |       | -      | -   | 121 | 232 | 236 | AR  |        | C41, PH   | L R |
| Frank Kostro #2          | .241 | 0  |       | -      | 112 | 124 | 234 | 234 | SLO |        | PH, OF24(LF/RF),<br>1B5                             | R R |
| Jim Holt #45             | .208 | 0  | MW    | -      | 112 | 116 | 223 | 223 | AR  |        | OF38(LF/RF), PH,<br>1B1                             | L R |
| Rick Renick #10          | .216 | 0  |       | PK 121 | 125 | 144 | 231 | 224 | SLO | LD     | SS40  | R R |
| Graig Nettles #28        | .224 | 0  |       | PK 132 | 135 | 145 | 224 | 231 | AR  |        | OF16(RF/LF/CF),<br>3B5, 1B3                         | L R |
| Jerry Zimmerman #22      | .111 | 0  |       | -      | -   | 115 | 146 | 146 | SLO | SD     | C24   | R R |
| Pat Kelly #30            | .114 | 0  |       | PK 116 | -   | 136 | 145 | 151 | AAR |        | OF10(CF/RF/LF)                                      | L L |
| George Mitterwald #34    | .206 | 0  |       | -      | -   | 116 | 224 | 222 | AR  |        | C10   | R R |
| Jim Merritt              | .141 | 0  |       | PK -   | -   | 116 | 154 | 161 | SLO |        | P38   | L L |
| Jim Kaat                 | .156 | 0  | MW    | -      | -   | 122 | 163 | 164 | AR  | SD     | P30   | L L |
| Dave Boswell             | .233 | 0  | MW PK | 114    | 122 | 141 | 233 | 232 | SLO |        | P34   | R R |
| Jim Perry                | .143 | 0  | MW PK | 124    | -   | 133 | 164 | 156 | SLO | SD     | P32   | B 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 |      |     |               |
|-----------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|------|-----|---------------|
| Dean Chance #32       | 2.53 | 292 | 125 | 553 | 43 | 39 | 1  | .054 | R R |               |
| Jim Merritt #17 #26   | 3.25 | 238 | 124 | 561 | 38 | 34 | 1  | .141 | L L |               |
| Jim Kaat #36 SD       | 2.94 | 208 | 123 | 613 | 30 | 29 | 0  | .156 | L L | "Kitty"       |
| Dave Boswell #23      | 3.32 | 190 | 143 | 556 | 34 | 28 | 0  | .233 | R R |               |
| Jim Perry #31 SD      | 2.27 | 139 | 123 | 623 | 32 | 18 | 1  | .143 | B R |               |
| Ron Perranoski #16    | 3.10 | 87  | 141 | 563 | 66 | 0  | 6  | .000 | L L |               |
| Al Worthington #15    | 2.71 | 76  | 141 | 561 | 54 | 0  | 18 | .000 | R R |               |
| Bob Miller #21 #49 SD | 2.74 | 72  | 133 | 615 | 45 | 0  | 2  | .143 | R R | Robert Lane   |
| Jim Roland #19        | 3.50 | 62  | 136 | 615 | 28 | 4  | 0  | .000 | R L |               |
| Tom Hall #18          | 2.43 | 30  | 136 | 614 | 8  | 4  | 0  | .000 | L L | "The Blade"   |
| Ron Keller #18        | 2.81 | 16  | 125 | 611 | 7  | 1  | 0  | .000 | R R |               |
| "Buzz" Stephen #17    | 4.76 | 11  | 153 | 635 | 2  | 2  | 0  | .000 | R R | Louis Roberts |
| Danny Morris #27      | 1.69 | 11  | 134 | 622 | 3  | 2  | 0  | .000 | R R |               |
| Cesar Tovar #12       | 0.00 | 1   | 166 | 511 | 1  | 1  | 0  | .272 | R R | "Pepi"        |

Super-utilityman "Pepi" Tovar played an inning at every position--including pitcher--against Oakland, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. The first batter he faced, "Campy" Campaneris, fouled out. (Campaneris also played every position in a game three years prior.) Tovar went on to STRIKEOUT the A's Number Two hitter, Reggie Jackson. On July 11<sup>th</sup>, infielder Rick Renick, playing in his first major league game, became the first Twin to hit a home run in his first big league at bat. The lightning-strike came off the Tigers Mickey Lolich. Rod Carew and Tony Oliva were named to the All Star Team with teammate Harmon Killebrew who was forced to leave the game in Houston with a leg injury and missed the remainder of the year. "Killer" had hit 17 homers and knocked home forty before his loss. Tovar was the team leader with 167 base hits and 89 runs scored placing him in the top three of the A. L. in both categories. Oliva topped the ball club with 68 RBI and finished third in the league in batting average. For the season, the Twins hit .237 and 105 home runs...Four pitchers won a combined 52 ball games: Dean Chance (16), Jim Kaat (14), Jim Merritt (12), and Dave Boswell (10). Chance also led the staff with 234 strikeouts, 15 complete games, and six shutouts. Jim Merritt punched out 181 batters and completed eleven games. Twins hurlers also gave up the fewest bases-on-balls in the league (414) and finished sixth in ERA (2.89)...After Game 81, their record was 39-42, fifth place in the standings, and 15 games out.