

1974 KANSAS CITY ROYALS

77-85 5th

MGR Jack McKeon (#31)

DP: 311 to 336

Error: 351 to 355

| | BA | SB | W/K | HR | T | D | L | R | RNG | Def. | | |
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| John Mayberry, Sr. #7 | .234 | 4 | | 125 | 126 | 141 | 231 | 233 | AR | SD | 1B106, DH | L L |
| "Cookie" Rojas #1 <i>Octavio</i> | .271 | 8 | | 112 | - | 123 | 246 | 244 | AAR | SD | 2B141 | R R |
| Freddie Patek "The Flea" #37 | .225 | 33 | | 111 | 113 | 124 | 233 | 226 | S | | SS149 | R R |
| George Brett #25 | .282 | 8 | MW | 111 | 113 | 131 | 251 | 251 | AAR | | 3B132, SS1 | L R |
| Vada Pinson #28 | .276 | 21 | | 113 | 114 | 132 | 244 | 246 | AAR | T-1 | OF110(<u>RF</u> /LF/CF), 1B1 | L L |
| Amos Otis "A. O." #26 | .284 | 18 | | 115 | 123 | 143 | 253 | 251 | AAR | SD/T-1 | OF143(CF) | R R |
| Jim Wohlford #6 | .271 | 16 | | 111 | 114 | 125 | 246 | 244 | AAR | | OF138(<u>LF</u> /RF) | R R |
| Fran Healy #16 | .252 | 16 | | 114 | 115 | 135 | 242 | 236 | AAR | | C138 | R R |
| Hal McRae #11 | .310 | 11 | | 116 | 122 | 144 | 261 | 261 | AAR | | DH, OF56(<u>LF</u> /RF), 3B1 | R R |
| Al Cowens "A. C." #18 | .242 | 5 | | 111 | 112 | 122 | 235 | 234 | AAR | T-1 | OF102(<u>RF</u> /CF/LF), DH, 3B2 | R R |
| Tony Solaita #8 | .268 | 0 | PK | 116 | - | 135 | 243 | 244 | SLO | | 1B65, DH | L L |
| Frank White #20 | .221 | 3 | MW | 111 | 114 | 124 | 232 | 225 | AAR | | 2B50, SS29, 3B16, DH | R R |
| "Buck" Martinez #21 <i>John</i> | .215 | 0 | | 112 | 114 | 124 | 226 | 224 | SLO | | C38 | R R |
| Orlando Cepeda #30 | .215 | 1 | | 112 | - | 126 | 226 | 224 | SLO | LD | DH | R R |
| Kurt Bevacqua #2 X | .211 | 1 | | - | - | - | 226 | 223 | AR | | 1B14, 3B13, 2B7, DH, SS2 | R R |
| Richie Scheinblum #5 #30 X | .181 | 0 | | - | - | 115 | 213 | 213 | SLO | LD | DH, OF2(LF) | B R |
| Paul Schaal #10 + | .176 | 0 | | 116 | - | 141 | 212 | 212 | AR | | 3B12 | R R |
| Fernando Gonzalez #13 + | .143 | 1 | | - | - | 124 | 164 | 156 | AR | | 3B8 | 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 | | | | | |
| Steve Busby #40 | 3.39 | 292 | 132 | 555 | 38 | 38 | 0 | .000 | R R | "Buzz" | | |
| Paul Splittorff #34 | 4.10 | 226 | 133 | 634 | 36 | 36 | 0 | .000 | L L | | | |
| Al Fitzmorris #39 SD | 2.79 | 190 | 133 | 644 | 34 | 27 | 1 | .000 | B R | | | |
| Bruce Dal Canton #43 | 3.13 | 175 | 143 | 616 | 31 | 22 | 0 | .000 | R R | | | |
| Marty Pattin #33 | 3.99 | 117 | 125 | 632 | 25 | 11 | 0 | .000 | R R | "Bulldog" | | |
| Nelson Briles #19 | 4.02 | 103 | 123 | 634 | 18 | 17 | 0 | .000 | R R | "Nellie" | | |
| Dennis Leonard #22 | 5.32 | 22 | 144 | 641 | 5 | 4 | 0 | .000 | R R | | | |
| Lindy McDaniel #41 | 3.46 | 107 | 124 | 631 | 38 | 5 | 1 | .000 | R R | | | |
| Doug Bird #29 | 2.73 | 92 | 131 | 611 | 55 | 1 | 10 | .000 | R R | | | |
| Steve Mingori #23 | 2.81 | 67 | 134 | 566 | 36 | 0 | 2 | .000 | L L | | | |
| Joe Hoerner #27 LD | 3.82 | 35 | 134 | 565 | 30 | 0 | 2 | .000 | R L | | | |
| Gene Garber #32 + | 4.82 | 28 | 141 | 626 | 17 | 0 | 1 | .000 | R R | | | |
| Aurelio Lopez #38 | 5.63 | 16 | 151 | 643 | 8 | 1 | 0 | .000 | R R | "Senor Smoke" | | |

Future super star George Brett's first full season in the major leagues got off to a slow start at the plate. He tirelessly worked at the All Star break with the Royals' hitting guru, Charlie Lau, who transformed the talented hitter to a perennial challenger for a batting crown. Brett's batting woes dissipated while his batting average rapidly began to rise allowing him to finish the year on solid footing for the future...With Brett also winning the third base starting job in Spring Training, the fortunes of his ball club began to rise quickly as well. The Royals' prodigal hitter ended the season with two home runs and 47 runs batted in. John Mayberry, Sr. led the ball club with 22 home runs. He drove in sixty-nine. Designated Hitter Hal McRae hit 15 homers and led the team with 88 RBI and 167 base hits. Stellar centerfielder Amos Otis contributed 12 home runs, 73 RBI, and a team leading 87 runs scored...As a team, K. C. hit .259 with 89 homers--the latter last in the league. They compiled 232 doubles, 42 triples, and 146 stolen bases. All three figures were second in the A.L...Steve Busby led the pitching staff with 22 victories, 198 strikeouts, and 20 complete games. Paul Splittorff and Al Fitzmorris both won thirteen. The staff's ERA was 3.51 (fourth in the A.L.) but their 1,477 hits allowed was the highest in the American League...The Royals finished just 13 games behind the AL West/World Champion Oakland A's who won their season series, 10-8. They dominated the Brewers by winning eleven games and losing one.