

# 1975 HOUSTON ASTROS

64-97 6th

MGRs Preston Gomez #18 (127 games)

Bill Virdon #7 (34 games)

DP: 311 to 335

Error: 351 to 355

|                                      | BA   | SB | W/K   | HR  | T   | D   | L   | R   | RNG | Def.   |                            |     |
|--------------------------------------|------|----|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|----------------------------|-----|
| Bob Watson <i>"Bull"</i> #27         | .324 | 3  |       | 122 | -   | 142 | 264 | 264 | AR  |        | 1B118, OF9(LF)             | R R |
| Rob Andrews #11                      | .238 | 12 |       | -   | 113 | 121 | 235 | 233 | AR  |        | 2B94, SS6                  | R R |
| Roger Metzger #14                    | .227 | 4  |       | 111 | 115 | 122 | 231 | 231 | AAR | SD     | SS126                      | B R |
| Doug Rader <i>"Red Rooster"</i> #12  | .223 | 5  |       | 116 | 121 | 136 | 231 | 226 | AR  | SD     | 3B124, SS2                 | R R |
| Jose Cruz #25                        | .257 | 6  |       | 116 | 121 | 135 | 236 | 242 | AAR | T-1    | OF94( <u>RF</u> /LF)       | L L |
| Cesar Ceden0 #28                     | .288 | 50 |       | 116 | 121 | 142 | 253 | 252 | S   | SD/T-1 | OF131(CF)                  | R R |
| Greg Gross #21                       | .294 | 2  |       | -   | 114 | 124 | 252 | 254 | AR  | T-1    | OF121(LF/RF)               | L L |
| Milt May #8                          | .241 | 1  |       | 112 | 113 | 125 | 234 | 234 | SLO |        | C102                       | L R |
| Wilbur Howard #26                    | .283 | 32 |       | -   | 114 | 131 | 252 | 251 | S   |        | OF95( <u>LF</u> /CF/RF)    | B R |
| Cliff Johnson <i>"Heathcliff"</i> #6 | .276 | 1  |       | 131 | 132 | 146 | 252 | 245 | SLO | LD-C   | 1B47, C41, OF1(LF)         | R R |
| Enos Cabell #23                      | .264 | 12 |       | 111 | 115 | 134 | 243 | 243 | AAR |        | OF67(LF/RF),<br>1B25, 3B22 | R R |
| Ken Boswell #17                      | .242 | 0  | MK    | -   | 112 | 126 | 232 | 235 | AR  |        | 2B31, 3B23                 | L R |
| Larry Milbourne #10                  | .212 | 1  | MW    | 111 | 114 | 115 | 231 | 223 | AR  |        | 2B43, SS22                 | B R |
| Tommy Helms #19                      | .207 | 0  | MK    | -   | -   | 113 | 225 | 222 | AR  | SD(2B) | 2B42, 3B3, SS1             | R R |
| Jerry DaVanon #16                    | .278 | 2  |       | 112 | 116 | 133 | 246 | 246 | AR  |        | SS21, 2B9, 3B3             | R R |
| <i>"Skip"</i> Jutze #9 <u>Alfred</u> | .226 | 1  | MW MK | -   | -   | 115 | 234 | 226 | SLO |        | C47                        | R R |
| Art Gardner #24                      | .194 | 1  | PK    | -   | -   | -   | 216 | 216 | AR  |        | OF8(RF/LF/CF)              | L L |
| J. R. Richard                        | .203 | 0  | MW PK | 113 | -   | 143 | 225 | 221 | SLO |        | P33                        | R R |
| Dave Roberts                         | .143 | 0  | MW    | -   | 113 | 124 | 156 | 161 | SLO |        | P32                        | L L |
| Doug Konieczny                       | .160 | 0  | PK    | -   | -   | 123 | 211 | 164 | SLO |        | P32                        | R R |
| Tom Griffin                          | .136 | 0  | MW PK | -   | -   | -   | 161 | 155 | SLO |        | P17                        | R R |
| Jim Crawford                         | .294 | 0  |       | -   | -   | 131 | 252 | 254 | SLO |        | P44                        | L L |
| Joe Niekro                           | .214 | 0  |       | -   | -   | -   | 225 | 224 | SLO |        | P40                        | R R |
| Mike Cosgrove                        | .154 | 0  |       | -   | -   | -   | 161 | 164 | SLO |        | P32                        | L L |
| Jose Sosa                            | .333 | 0  | MW PK | 146 | -   | 226 | 266 | 266 | SLO |        | P25                        | 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 |      |     |                     |
|--------------------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|------|-----|---------------------|
| Larry Dierker #49  | 4.00 | 232  | 135 | 621 | 34  | 34 | 0  | .092 | R R |                     |
| J. R. Richard #50  | 4.39 | 203  | 155 | 551 | 33  | 31 | 0  | .203 | R R | <u>James Rodney</u> |
| Dave Roberts #15   | 4.27 | 198  | 135 | 623 | 32  | 27 | 1  | .143 | L L |                     |
| Doug Konieczny #46 | 4.47 | 171  | 144 | 623 | 32  | 29 | 0  | .160 | R R |                     |
| Ken Forsch #43     | 3.22 | 109  | 126 | 625 | 34  | 9  | 2  | .045 | R R |                     |
| Joe Niekro #36     | 3.07 | 88   | 142 | 613 | 40  | 4  | 4  | .214 | R R |                     |
| Jim Crawford #30   | 3.63 | 87   | 136 | 632 | 44  | 2  | 4  | .294 | L L | <i>"Catfish"</i>    |
| Tom Griffin #38    | 5.33 | 79   | 146 | 566 | 17  | 13 | 0  | .136 | R R |                     |
| Wayne Granger #35  | 3.65 | 74   | 132 | 633 | 55  | 0  | 5  | .000 | R R |                     |
| Mike Cosgrove #37  | 3.03 | 71   | 145 | 626 | 32  | 3  | 5  | .154 | L L |                     |
| Jose Sosa #44      | 4.02 | 47   | 143 | 612 | 25  | 2  | 1  | .333 | R R |                     |
| Jim York #42       | 3.86 | 47   | 145 | 635 | 19  | 4  | 0  | .091 | R R |                     |
| Paul Siebert #31   | 2.95 | 18   | 133 | 641 | 7   | 2  | 2  | .000 | L L |                     |
| Mike Stanton #48   | 7.27 | 17   | 166 | 546 | 7   | 2  | 1  | .250 | B R |                     |
| Fred Scherman #44  | +    | 4.96 | 16  | 125 | 562 | 16 | 0  | .000 | L L |                     |

*Utilityman Cliff Johnson was the team leader with 20 home runs and second on the team with 65 RBI. Bob Watson led the ball club with 85 RBI and 157 base hits for the year. "Bull" also clubbed 18 homers. Cesar Ceden0 socked 13 homers, drove in 63 runs, finished second on the team with 141 hits, and was the leader with 93 runs scored. Doug Rader added 12 dingers. The Astros finished eighth in the N.L. with a .254 batting average and ninth with 84 home runs. They led the league in triples (54)...Larry Dierker posted the most wins on the pitching staff with fourteen while leading the hurlers with 14 complete games and two shutouts. He struck out 127 batters. J. R. Richard was 12-10 and topped the staff with 176 strikeouts and 138 bases on balls. He also completed seven games. Lefty Dave Roberts was 8-14 in wins and losses. The staff ERA of 4.04 placed them eleventh in the N.L...Preston Gomez was fired as manager after directing the Astros to a 47-80 record. Bill Virdon took over as skipper on August 19<sup>th</sup> and guided the team to a 17-17 finish... The Astros lost 97 games in a season for the third time in franchise history with the worst winning percentage (.398) to that point...Houston ended the year 43 ½ games behind the Reds in the NL West. They won ONE series, 8-4, against Montreal. Versus the Reds they were five up and thirteen down.*