

# 1978 BOSTON RED SOX

99-64 2nd  
MGR Don Zimmer (#34)

DP: 311 to 336

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	BA	SB	W/K	HR	T	D	L	R	RNG	Def.		
George Scott <i>"Boomer"</i> #15	.233	1		116	122	134	233	232	SLO		1B113, <b>DH</b>	R R
Jerry Remy <i>"Rem Dawg"</i> #2	.278	30		111	113	126	246	246	AAR	<b>SD</b>	2B140, <b>DH</b> , SS1	L R
Rick Burleson <i>"Rooster"</i> #7	.248	8		112	114	133	242	235	AAR	<b>SD</b>	SS144	R R
<i>"Butch"</i> Hobson #4 <u>Clell</u>	.250	1	PK	121	122	141	236	236	AR		3B133, <b>DH</b>	R R
Dwight Evans <i>"Dewey"</i> #24	.247	8	PK	124	125	144	241	235	AR	<b>SD/T-1</b>	OF142(RF)	R R
Fred Lynn #19	.298	3		123	124	145	252	255	AAR	<b>SD/T-1</b>	OF149(CF)	L L
Jim Rice #14	.315	7		133	142	154	262	262	AR	<b>T-1</b>	OF114( <u>LF</u> /RF), <b>DH</b>	R R
Carlton Fisk <i>"Pudge"</i> #27	.284	7		122	124	151	253	251	AAR	<b>SD-C</b>	C154, OF1(LF)	R R
Bob Bailey #30	.191	2	PW	123	-	134	216	215	SLO		<b>DH</b> , PH, 3B1, OF1(LF)	R R
Carl Yastrzemski <i>"Yaz"</i> #8	.277	4		121	122	135	245	246	AR	<b>T-1(OF)/SD(1B)</b>	OF71( <u>LF</u> /CF), 1B50, <b>DH</b>	L R
Jack Brohamer #3	.234	1	MK	111	112	132	231	233	AR		3B30, <b>DH</b> , 2B23	L R
Frank Duffy #17	.260	1		-	-	124	243	242	AR		3B22, SS21, 2B12, <b>DH</b>	R R
Garry Hancock #38	.225	0	MW	-	-	122	225	231	AR		OF19( <u>RF</u> /CF/LF), <b>DH</b>	L L
Bernie Carbo #1	.261	1		115	-	141	236	243	AR		OF9( <u>RF</u> /LF), <b>DH</b>	L R
Fred Kendall #18	.195	0	MW MK	-	-	115	216	216	SLO		1B13, C5	R R
Bob Montgomery #10	.241	0	PK	-	121	132	234	234	SLO		C10	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		
Dennis Eckersley #43	2.99	268	126	614	35	35	0	.000	R R
Mike Torrez #21	3.96	250	135	626	36	36	0	.000	R R
Luis Tiant #23	3.31	212	131	621	32	31	0	.000	R R <i>"El Tiante"</i>
Bill Lee #37	3.46	177	133	646	28	24	0	.000	L L <i>"Spaceman"</i>
Jim Wright #45	3.57	116	123	625	24	16	0	.000	R R
Allen Ripley #28	5.55	73	131	641	15	11	0	.000	R R
Bobby Sprowl #47	6.39	13	162	561	3	3	0	.000	L L
Bob Stanley #46	2.60	142	125	645	52	3	10	.000	R R <i>"Bigfoot"</i> <i>"Stanley Steamer"</i>
Dick Drago #41	3.03	77	141	621	37	1	7	.000	R R
Tom Burgmeier #16	4.40	61	134	635	35	1	4	.000	L L
Bill Campbell #22	3.91	51	132	552	29	0	4	.000	R R <i>"Soup"</i>
Andy Hassler #31 #48	3.00	30	136	564	13	2	1	.000	L L

*The Bosox got off to a quick start--tied for first, May 21<sup>st</sup>, after a doubleheader split with the Tigers--and then moved into first place of the AL East by themselves the next day with a 26-14 record. By the All Star break, their lead would be nine full games at 57-26. After that date, they would play the persistent Yankees six times by September 10<sup>th</sup> when New York beat Boston, 7-4, at Fenway Park, bringing the Yanks into a dead tie with the Red Sox. From September 15-17, the two arch-rivals would meet in a three-game set at Yankee Stadium, a series the Yankees won two games to one, leaving Boston 2 ½ games out of first and in second place. The Red Sox tied the Yankees once again on the last day of the regular season, October 1<sup>st</sup>, with a 5-0 victory over Toronto in Boston while New York lost to Cleveland, at home, 9-2. With a dead-heat for first place, a Game #163 would have to be played at Fenway the following day. History tells us the Yankees "Bucky" Dent hit a three-run homer over the "Green Monster" off Mike Torrez in the seventh, giving New York a 4-2 lead. Another run was scored by the Yankees in the top half of the eighth, but Boston came back with two runs in the lower half of the inning to make the score, 5-4, New York. In the last of the ninth, the Red Sox got two men on with a one-out walk by Rick Burleson and a single to right by Jerry Remy, moving Burleson to second. Jim Rice hit a flyout to right with Burleson tagging and moving to third, but Carl Yastrzemski became the third out when he launched a pop foul easily squeezed by New York's Graig Nettles. Heartbreak for Red Sox Nation who had staked a lot of hopes on going back to the World Series for the first time since 1975...*

*Jim Rice, 25, completed a "career year" with 46 homers, 15 triples, 25 doubles, 139 RBI, 213 base hits, and 121 runs scored to win selection as American League Most Valuable Player. His home run, base hit, RBI, and triples totals topped the major leagues as well. He had a .600 slugging percentage (a big-league high) and .970 OPS (best in the A. L.). Dwight Evans smacked twenty-four home runs, Fred Lynn twenty-two, Carlton Fisk twenty, and both Carl Yastrzemski and "Butch" Hobson seventeen. Fisk finished second with 88 RBI; Lynn drove home eighty-two. As a team, the Bostons hit .267 and 172 homers...Twenty-three-year-old Dennis Eckersley led the pitching staff with 20 wins, 16 complete games, and 162 strikeouts. Torrez won sixteen and Luis Tiant thirteen. The pair combined for 27 complete games. The staff ERA, 3.54, was fourth best in the A. L.*