

# 1980 KANSAS CITY ROYALS

97-65 1st  
MGR Jim Frey (#41)

DP: 311 to 334

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	BA	SB	W/K	HR	T	D	L	R	RNG	Def.		
Willie Mays Aikens #24	.278	1		122	-	136	246	246	SLO		1B138, <b>DH</b>	L R
Frank White "Hoover" #20	.264	19	MW	113	115	132	243	243	AAR	<b>SD</b>	2B153	R R
<u>U. L.</u> Washington #30	.273	20		112	116	126	245	245	AAR		SS152	B R
George Brett #5	.390	15	MK	126	134	162	323	331	AAR		3B112, 1B1	L R
Clint Hurdle #10	.294	0		115	116	145	252	254	AR		OF126(RF)	L R
Amos Otis "A. O." #26	.251	16		115	121	134	241	236	AAR	<b>SD/T-1</b>	OF105(CF)	R R
Willie Wilson #6	.326	79	MW	111	116	133	266	264	S	<b>SD/T-1</b>	OF159( <u>LF</u> /CF)	B R
Darrell Porter #15	.249	1		114	115	126	235	236	AR		C81, <b>DH</b>	L R
Hal McRae #11	.297	10		116	122	151	255	254	AAR		<b>DH</b> , OF9(LF)	R R
John Wathan "Duke" #12	.305	17		113	116	131	263	255	AAR		C77,	R R
											OF35(LF/RF), 1B12	
Dave Chalk #7	.251	1		111	112	133	241	236	AR		3B33, 2B17, <b>PH</b> ,	R R
											<b>DH</b> , SS1	
Jamie Quirk #9	.276	3	MW	121	-	132	244	246	AR		3B28, C15, <b>PH</b> ,	L R
											OF7(RF/LF), 1B1	
Pete LaCock #8	.205	1	MK	111	-	123	216	223	AR	<b>SD(1B)</b>	1B86,	L L
"Rusty" Torres #2 <u>Rosendo</u>	.167	1		-	-	-	166	166	AR	<b>T-1</b>	OF29( <u>LF</u> /RF), <b>PH</b> , <b>PR</b>	B R
											OF40( <u>RF</u> / <u>LF</u> /CF),	
											<b>PR</b>	
Rance Mulliniks #18	.259	0		-	-	126	242	242	AR		SS18, 2B14, <b>PR</b>	L R
Jose Cardenal #19 X	.340	0		-	-	122	313	311	AR		OF23( <u>RF</u> /LF), <b>PH</b>	R R
Bob Detherage #4	.308	1	MW	122	-	151	262	256	AAR		OF20(LF/RF)	R R
Jerry Terrell #1	.063	0	MW	-	-	-	134	131	AAR		<b>PR</b> , OF7( <u>LF</u> /RF),	R R
											1B3, 2B3, P1	
Steve Braun #3 +	.043	0	MK	-	-	-	121	124	AR	<b>LD</b>	<b>PH</b> , OF5(LF/RF)	L R
Onix Concepcion #2 #53	.133	0		-	-	-	161	154	AAR		SS6, <b>PR</b> , <b>PH</b>	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 Gura #32 <b>SD</b>	2.95	283	126	633	36	36	0	.000	B L			
Dennis Leonard #22	3.79	280	131	621	38	38	0	.000	R R			
Paul Splittorff #34 <b>SD</b>	4.15	204	123	645	34	33	0	.000	L L			
Rich Gale #38	3.92	191	136	623	32	28	1	.000	R R			
Renie Martin #27	4.39	137	144	624	32	20	2	.000	R R	<u>Donald Renie</u> (pronounced REE-nee)		
Steve Busby #40	6.17	42	136	645	11	6	0	.000	R R	"Buzz"		
Dan Quisenberry #29 <b>SD</b>	3.09	128	124	643	75	0	33	.000	R R	"Quiz" "Q"		
Marty Pattin #33	3.64	89	126	631	37	0	4	.000	R R	"Bulldog" "Duck"		
Gary Christenson #31	5.17	31	146	624	24	0	1	.000	L L			
Jeff Twitty #21 #54	6.04	22	131	635	13	0	0	.000	L L			
Rawly Eastwick #35	5.32	22	132	653	14	0	0	.000	R R			
Ken Brett #25 <b>SD</b>	0.00	13	141	641	8	0	1	.000	L L	"Kemer"		
Craig Chamberlain #25 #28	6.75	9	145	641	5	0	0	.000	R R			
Mike Jones #28 #50	11.57	5	166	634	3	1	0	.000	L L			

The baseball world was all-abuzz during the summer of 1980 as George Brett consistently kept his batting average above the seemingly unreachable, magical .400 mark. Many began to believe the Royals face-of-the-franchise may FINALLY tie or surpass The Splendid Splinter, Boston's Ted Williams, who was the last to hit .400 or better in 1941. (The Twins Rod Carew made at least FOUR valiant attempts to beat Williams during the 1970s, the last coming in 1977 when Carew finished the year at .388.) Brett was hitting right at .400 as late as September 19th! He then struggled through a four for twenty-seven slump which left him at .384 on September 27<sup>th</sup>. A fierce rally (10-19) at the plate the last week of the season left this amazing hitter a tad short. Besides leading the majors in batting average, Brett was Number One in on-base percentage (.454), slugging percentage (.664), and OPS (1.118). He led the Royals with 118 RBI and 24 home runs. The ultimate base-stealer, Willie Wilson, led the majors in base hits (230), runs scored (133), and triples (15, a tie with the Blue Jays Alfredo Griffin). His remarkable year ended with him TIED for fourth in the majors in stolen bases. Brett tallied 175 safeties. The Royals topped the big leagues in batting average (.286) and were ninth in the A. L. with 115 home runs...Tooling their trade in one of the most pitcher-friendly parks in baseball, the Royals produced SIX hurlers with at least ten wins. Dennis Leonard reached 20 victories to lead the staff and collected the most strikeouts (155). Larry Gura added 18 wins, Paul Splittorff 14, and Rich Gale 13. Closer Dan Quisenberry tallied 12 victories while Renie Martin was good for 10. Quisenberry tied the Yanks "Goose" Gossage for the most saves in the majors. The staff ended the year with a 3.83 ERA...After being second-best to the Yankees in the '76, '77, and '78 ALCS, the Royals broke through with a clean-sweep of New York in the '80 ALCS. The Phillies, coming into the Fall Classic huffing-and-puffing from a hard-fought NLCS versus Houston, provided the opposition. The Phils won the first two games at home with K. C. capturing two of three at Royals Stadium. Game Six, and the clincher for Philadelphia, ended 4-1, the only Royals score coming in the eighth at Veterans Stadium. It was the Phils' Steve Carlton's third win in the Series. Brett hit .375 with a home run; Amos Otis .478, including three homers and seven RBI; and Clint Hurdle .417. Willie Mays Aikens hit .400 and led all hitters with four jacks and eight RBI.