

1979 SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS

71-91 4th

MGRs Joe Altobelli #6 (140 games)

Dave Bristol #1 (22 games)

DP: 311 to 332

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	BA	SB	W/K	HR	T	D	L	R	RNG	Def.		
Willie McCovey "Big Mac" #44	.249	0		123	-	133	235	236	SLO	1B89, PH		L L
Joe Strain #20	.241	8		111	112	123	234	234	AR	2B67, 3B1		R R
Johnnie LeMaster #10	.254	9		112	113	124	244	236	AR	SS106, PR		R R
Darrell Evans #41	.253	6		121	122	135	235	241	AR	3B159		L R
Jack Clark #22	.273	11		125	126	144	245	245	AAR	T-1 OF140(RF), 3B2		R R
Bill North #36	.259	58	PW	112	114	125	242	242	S	SD OF130(CF), PH		B R
Terry Whitfield #45	.287	5		113	115	134	252	252	AR	OF106(LF), PH		L R
Dennis Littlejohn #47	.197	0	PK	111	112	123	222	216	SLO	C63		R R
Mike Ivie #15	.286	5		133	135	153	255	251	AR	LD(3B) 1B98, PH,		R R
Larry Herndon #31	.257	8		114	121	134	243	241	AAR	T-1 OF24(LF), 3B4, 2B1		R R
Roger Metzger #16	.251	11		-	121	131	241	236	AAR	OF122(CF/LF/RF)		R R
Bill Madlock "Mad Dog" #18	.261	11		116	122	134	244	242	AAR	SS78, 2B10, PH,		B R
Marc Hill "Booter" #2	.207	0		114	-	122	225	222	SLO	PR, 3B1 2B63, PH, 1B5		R R
Rob Andrews #21	.260	4	MK	113	-	121	243	242	AAR	C58, PH, 1B1		R R
Mike Sadek #3	.238	1		112	-	125	235	233	AR	LD(OF) 2B53, PH, PR,		R R
Max Venable #49	.165	3		-	113	116	164	166	AAR	C60, PH, PR,		R R
Greg Johnston #18 #23	.203	0	MW	113	-	123	221	222	AAR	OF1(RF)		R R
John Tamargo #30	.200	0		121	-	136	222	221	SLO	OF25(RF/LF/CF),		L R
Hector Cruz "Heity" #9	.120	0	PK	-	-	-	152	152	AR	PH, PR		R R
Vida Blue	.120	0	PK	113	-	116	152	152	SLO	OF17(LF/RF/CF)		L L
Bob Knepper	.182	0	MW PK	113	-	134	211	214	SLO	C17, PH		B R
John Montefusco	.167	0	MW PK	-	115	142	166	166	SLO	PH, OF6(LF/RF),		R R
John Curtis	.147	0	PK	-	-	116	161	162	SLO	3B2		B L
Ed Whitson X	.156	0	MW PK	-	-	-	166	163	SLO	P34		L L
Ed Halicki	.206	0	MW PK	-	-	116	224	222	SLO	P34		L L
Pitcher R	.110	-	MW PK	111	-	113	153	145	SLO	P22		R R
Pitcher L	.110	-	MW PK	111	-	113	145	146	SLO	P27		L L

	ERA	IP	W	K	G	GS	SV		
Vida Blue #14	5.01	237	142	616	34	34	0	.120	B L
Bob Knepper #39	4.64	207	134	616	34	34	0	.182	L L
John Montefusco #26	3.94	137	134	621	22	22	0	.167	R R "The Count of Montefusco"
Ed Halicki #28	4.58	126	134	613	33	19	0	.206	R R
John Curtis #40	4.18	121	134	565	27	18	0	.147	L L
Ed Whitson #29 #32 X	3.95	100	135	613	18	17	0	.156	R R
Phil Nastu #23	4.32	100	136	626	25	14	0	.042	L L
Gary Lavelle #46	2.51	97	141	553	70	0	20	.250	B L
Tom Griffin #43	3.91	94	144	546	59	3	2	.071	R R
Greg Minton #38	1.81	80	134	631	46	0	4	.000	B R "Moonie" "Moon-man"
Pedro Borbon #34 LD X	4.89	46	126	622	30	0	3	.333	R R
Dave Roberts #25 #48 +	2.57	42	141	621	26	1	3	.000	L L
Randy Moffitt #17	7.71	35	134	633	28	0	2	.000	R R
Al Holland #19	0.00	7	164	524	3	0	0	.000	R L
Joe Coleman #29 +	0.00	4	145	666	5	0	0	.000	R R
Ed Plank #37	7.36	4	135	653	4	0	0	.000	R R

The Giants were tied for first as late as May 25th, but after that date they bumbled and stumbled to a 46-71 record to end the year. They were third in the NL West at the All Star break holding a record of 45-48 and 8 ½ games out...Joe Altobelli, hired before the 1977 season, was replaced as manager by coach Davey Bristol on September 6th. Altobelli was 61-79 in '79 prior to his dismissal...Twenty-three-year-old Jack Clark was quickly making a name for himself as one of the league's most potent power-hitters as he slammed 26 jacks and drove in 86 runs. The team leader was super-utilityman Mike Ivie who poked 27 homers and knocked in 89. Darrell Evans added 17 home runs while Willie "Stretch" McCovey hit 15 round-trippers at the age of forty-one. As a team, the Giants produced a .246 BA and hit 125 homers...Vida Blue's 14 wins and 138 strikeouts led the pitching staff which turned in a 4.16 ERA, tenth in the N. L. Swing-man John Curtis was the victor of ten ballgames...Within their division, the Giants were 44-46-4-14 versus the Dodgers and 12-6 against the Reds.