



# ***2023 Media Guide & Record Book***



# 2023 AMERICAN LEGION WORLD SERIES

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## MEDIA INFORMATION

Welcome to the American Legion Baseball site of the 96<sup>th</sup> American Legion World Series – the final event of the American Legion Baseball national tournaments.

The American Legion welcomes members of the media, we do however, ask that you adhere to the guidelines that follow. This Media Guide has been prepared to provide you with the information to cover the 2023 American Legion World Series.

Our goal is to make your visit to the World Series as enjoyable as possible. Please, let us know if there is something we can assist you with.

### HOTELS/ ACCOMODATIONS

Accommodations are extremely limited in the Shelby area during the World Series. Information on hotel accommodations may be obtained by visiting [www.AmericanLegionWorldSeries.com/Visit/Accommodations](http://www.AmericanLegionWorldSeries.com/Visit/Accommodations).

### ARRIVAL

Upon check-in, you will be required to produce documentation to show that you are a member of the working media as well as a photo ID. After you have received your credentials at the Media Credential Pickup Area, you are encouraged to familiarize yourself with the surroundings. The Media Relations Staff may help with anything you may need.

### CREDENTIALS

- Media credentials may be requested at [www.americanlegionworldseries.com/media/media-credentials-request](http://www.americanlegionworldseries.com/media/media-credentials-request).
- Media credentials are not transferable and cannot be issued to anyone under the age of 18. Anyone wishing to pick up their media credentials **MUST** have a photo ID.
- ALWS media credential are for **working media only**. Family members, friends, children, etc., will not be issued media credentials.
- Freelance journalists/photographers are not issued credentials unless they are on a specific assignment from a recognized media outlet.
- ALWS maintains the right to request additional information from any media outlet prior to approving credentials and may approve or reject any credential requests for the event. We may request you provide a sample of media coverage of the series to validate you are working media.

- Applications suspected of being fraudulent are taken very seriously and will be turned over to law enforcement for investigation.
- Photographer credentials are approved editorial shooting only.
- By completing the application for credentials, you are confirming you understand and will adhere to these requirements.

## AMERICAN LEGION WORLD SERIES UMPIRING CREW

Appointment as a member of the umpiring crew for a World Series is the highest honor that The American Legion can bestow on a volunteer umpire. The selection process to become a World Series umpire is lengthy and rigorous. To be eligible to volunteer in a World Series, an umpire must first have officiated in a regional tournament event. The umpires that have been selected below are based on nominations received from department baseball chairman.

**Perry Ramicone**, UIC, South Carolina

**Jay DeSantis**, Assignor, West Virginia

**Angel Campos**, Arizona

**Leo Curiel**, Arizona

**John Flanagan**, North Carolina

**Josh Nolen**, Missouri

**Shane Rigdon**, Louisiana

**Joe Volpe**, Pennsylvania

## AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL FUN FACTS

**1925** The American Legion's Department of South Dakota proposes "Legion Junior Baseball" as a nationwide program of service to U.S. youth. **1926** The first national tournament is played, with 16 states participating.

**1928** The Executive Council of Baseball agrees to underwrite American Legion Baseball (ALB) up to \$50,000. Major League Baseball (MLB) continues to make a significant contribution to the program each year.

**1938** The national tournament is broadcast to more than 3,000 radio stations, bringing the American Legion World Series (ALWS) to every part of the country.

**1961** ALB is strengthened under program coordinator George W. Rulon, who holds the post until 1987. Upon his retirement, the American Legion Player of the Year award is renamed the George W. Rulon Player of the Year.

**1970s** The Dr. Irvin L. "Click" Cowger RBI, Rawlings Big Stick and Bob Feller Pitching awards are established, based on players' statistics in the regional and ALWS tournaments.

**1982** ALB adopts an eight-site, eight-team, double-elimination tournament format.

**1986** The American Legion begins to annually award \$10,000 in scholarship money to eight deserving players. Today, the scholarship has grown to \$25,000 awarded to 50 outstanding players, each receiving \$500.

**2010** Shelby, N.C., is named the permanent home of the ALWS, spending \$2.5 million to upgrade its stadium with new MLB lights, a highdefinition video scoreboard, office complex and expanded seating.

**2011** The ALWS breaks an all-time attendance record that stood for 75 years, when more than 86,000 fans watch the five-day tournament. Total paid attendance has increased every year since, exceeding 120,000 in 2017 and 2018.



**2012** Diamond Sports becomes the key sponsor of the American Legion Baseball All-Academic Team. Eight players receive a \$2,500 scholarship, and an overall top academic player is named team captain and awarded a \$5,000 scholarship.

**2014** Brooklawn, N.J., Post 72 is the first team in 40 years to win back-to-back national championships since Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico, Post 146 won two in a row in 1973 and 1974.

**2016** By a score of 8-6, Texarkana, Ark., Post 58 defeats Rowan County, N.C., Post 342 in 12 innings to win The American Legion Baseball World Series in Shelby, N.C. The eight-team tournament, aired live on television by ESPNU, is attended by an all-time record crowd of 120,000.

**2020** The COVID-19 pandemic forces the cancellation of the American Legion World Series, for the first time since 1927.

**2021** Idaho Falls Post 56 becomes one of six teams in ALWS history to win back-to-back championships.

**85** Baseball Hall of Fame members were American Legion Baseball alumni.

Current headlines and news visit [www.legion.org/headlines/baseball](http://www.legion.org/headlines/baseball)

## REGIONAL INFORMATION

The American Legion Baseball National Tournaments will comprise of a 64-team field across 8 regional tournaments, with each region having no greater than 8 teams. No single department may have greater than 2 teams playing in a regional tournament.

The breakdown of the 64-team field of regional tournaments is as follows:

- One team each from 50 departments
- One additional team each from the eight regional hosts
- One team from each of the top 6 departments nationally having the highest total number of registered senior teams AND who do not already have 2 teams represented in their regional tournament.

### **NORTHEAST (Region 1)**

1. Connecticut
2. Maine
3. Massachusetts
4. New Hampshire
5. New York
6. Rhode Island
7. Vermont
8. **Shrewsbury, MA (Host)**

### **GREAT LAKES (Region 5)**

1. Illinois (A)
2. Illinois (B)
3. Indiana
4. Iowa
5. Michigan
6. Wisconsin (A)
7. Wisconsin (B)
8. **Midland, MI (Host)**

### **MID-ATLANTIC (Region 2)**

1. Delaware
2. Maryland
3. New Jersey
4. Ohio
5. Pennsylvania (A)
6. Pennsylvania (B)
7. West Virginia
8. **Morgantown, WV (Host)**

### **CENTRAL PLAINS (Region 6)**

1. Minnesota (A)
2. Minnesota (B)
3. Nebraska (A)
4. Nebraska (B)
5. North Dakota (A)
6. North Dakota (B)
7. South Dakota
8. **Rapid City, SD (Host)**

### **SOUTHEAST (Region 3)**

1. Florida
2. Georgia
3. Kentucky
4. North Carolina
5. South Carolina
6. Tennessee
7. Virginia
8. **Asheboro, NC (Host)**

### **NORTHWEST (Region 7)**

1. Alaska
2. Colorado
3. Idaho
4. Montana
5. Oregon
6. Washington
7. Wyoming
8. **Gillette, WY (Host)**

### **MID-SOUTH (Region 4)**

1. Alabama
2. Arkansas
3. Kansas
4. Louisiana
5. Mississippi
6. Missouri
7. Oklahoma
8. **Pelham, AL (Host)**

### **WESTERN (Region 8)**

1. Arizona
2. California
3. Hawaii
4. Nevada
5. New Mexico
6. Utah
7. Texas
8. **Fairfield, CA (Host)**

# WORLD SERIES PAIRINGS

"STARS"	Gm 1	Gm 2	Gm 3
Northeast			
Mid-South			
Northwest			
Western			
"STRIPEs"	Gm 1	Gm 2	Gm 3
Mid-Atlantic			
Southeast			
Great Lakes			
Central Plains			



## Thursday – August 10

Game 1 Northwest vs. Western  
 Game 2 Mid-Atlantic vs. Great Lakes  
 Game 3 Northeast vs. Mid-South  
 Game 4 Southeast vs. Central Plains

10:00 a.m.  
 1:00 p.m.  
 4:00 p.m.  
 7:30 p.m.

## Friday – August 11

Game 5 Northeast vs. Northwest  
 Game 6 Mid-South vs. Western  
 Off Day Mid-Atlantic Southeast Great Lakes Central Plains

4:00 p.m.  
 7:00 p.m.

## Saturday – August 12

Game 7 Great Lakes vs. Southeast  
 Game 8 Mid-Atlantic vs. Central Plains  
 Game 9 Mid-South vs. Northwest  
 Off Day Northeast & Western

12:00 p.m.  
 3:00 p.m.  
 7:30 p.m.

## Sunday – August 13

Game 10 Northeast vs. Western  
 Game 11 Great Lakes vs. Central Plains  
 Game 12 Mid-Atlantic vs. Southeast  
 Off Day Mid-South & Northwest

1:00 p.m.  
 4:00 p.m.  
 7:00 p.m.

## Monday – August 14

Game 13 Winner "Stripes" vs. Runner-Up "Stars"  
 Game 14 Winner "Stars" vs. Runner-Up "Stripes"

4:00 p.m.  
 7:00 p.m.

## Tuesday – August 15

Game 15 Winner Game 13 vs. Winner Game 14  
 "Championship Tuesday"

7:00 p.m.

# 2023 National Tournament Rules and Policies



## INTRODUCTION

Since 1925, The American Legion has sponsored youth baseball as a national program for the primary purpose of teaching good sportsmanship (win or lose), teamwork and good citizenship, while providing competitive supervised recreation. Listed on the next several pages are various tournament rules and policies of The American Legion. These policies and rules are reviewed and approved annually by the National Americanism Commission. The Commission is a group of American Legion volunteers from many different Departments (states) who give of their time and service to supervise the youth programs of The American Legion.

All National Tournaments will be played under the policies and rules established by the National Americanism Commission. All disputes and questions shall be referred to the on-site National Tournament Director appointed by the National Commander. Any situations not specifically covered by National Rules, or the tournament regulations will be referred to the National Americanism Division, whose decision shall be final.

It is important that the coaching staff read and understand these instructions, tournament rules and policies. There are many policies which are designed to provide for the safety of the players and provide a level playing field.

## NATIONAL TOURNAMENT TEAM/PLAYER CERTIFICATION

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The championship team from each of the 8 regions advance to play in the American Legion World Series.

All Americanism Commission supervised tournaments will be eight team double elimination tournaments with the exception for the American Legion World Series.

The Team Manager and the Department Chairman are responsible for ensuring the following items are sent via email to the national office ([baseball@legion.org](mailto:baseball@legion.org)), immediately following the conclusion of the Department Championship Tournament, Official Certification of Champion (**Form #18**), Tournament Housing List (**Form #25**), and team photograph with Photo ID (**Form #10**).

It is critical that forms reach national office immediately following the completion of the department tournament. Completed forms should be emailed to [baseball@legion.org](mailto:baseball@legion.org).

Exhibit "A"

**NOTE:** The team roster will be downloaded from the national baseball website [baseball.legion.org](http://baseball.legion.org). Department Chairman will verify that the team manager and coaches have successfully passed mandated risk management requirements.

The Team Managers **will hand carry** and deliver to the onsite Regional Tournament Director the following forms:

1. For each Player, a state-issued driver's license that complies with the Federal Real ID Law; **or**
  - a. Original or State Certified Birth Certificate; **or**
  - b. An American Legion Baseball ID card produced by Department Headquarters; **or**
  - c. A military ID, dependent ID, a US passport.
2. Signed copies of each Player's Emergency Information (**Form #2**).
3. Signed copies of applicable Player's **Form #76** or **Form #77**.

**Failure to deliver the proper paperwork can disqualify a player and/or the team from competing in the regional tournament.**

## **PLAYER ELIGIBILITY PROTESTS**

Eligibility protests of players involved in national tournaments must be in writing and provide proof of ineligibility. They must be filed with the National Tournament Director at each tournament site (Department, Regional, and World Series) no later than 9:00 a.m. local time on the first day of the tournament involved, except when there is a discovery of a rule's violation. When a rules violation is discovered, the eligibility protest and a written description of the alleged violation must be filed immediately. (National Rule 9.D)

Should a player eligibility rule violation be discovered and confirmed after the first day deadline, that team manager/head coach in violation shall be suspended for the remainder of all post season tournament games.

All other protests concerning game situation shall be filed as specified in the Official Baseball Rules and National Rule #1.

## **GAME PROTESTS**

Each tournament shall have a Tournament Rules and Protest Committee with at least three members. The Committee shall consist of the Tournament Director and two individuals, not affiliated with any team on the field. These members shall be appointed by the Tournament Director, who will chair the Committee. Protests will be handled and settled by the Tournament Rules and Protest Committee at the time they are lodged.

## **TOURNAMENT RULES and POLICIES**

1. Teams competing in American Legion Baseball senior national tournaments must always have nine players available for participation at a national tournament. Teams with fewer than 12 players, are permitted to bring up players registered on their affiliated Junior American Legion Baseball team roster to the senior team to have 12 players but may not bring up a player to exceed 12 players. Any senior team that does not have nine players will forfeit its right to participate and the National Americanism Division, in consultation with the Department Baseball Chairman, shall determine a suitable replacement team. (National Rule 9.K.)
2. No team shall be required to play more than two games in one day.
3. Playing days may begin after 8:00 a.m. local time.
4. No tournament game shall start after 11:00 p.m. local time.
5. All State, Regional and World Series games are seven (7) innings. 10-Run mercy rule after five innings of play or 4 ½ innings if the home team has the lead.
6. All games shall be played in accordance with National Rule 1 of the American Legion Baseball Rulebook.



7. Designated Hitter (DH) Rule (pitcher only) – A hitter may be designated to bat for the starting pitcher and all subsequent pitchers in any game without otherwise affecting the status of the pitcher(s) in the game. **NOTE:** The American Legion shall continue to use the same Designated Hitter (DH) Rule as was in effect in 2021.
8. The American Legion does **NOT** permit any type of re-entry rule during tournament play.
9. The American Legion does **NOT** permit courtesy runners during tournament play.
10. The use of one-way electronic equipment in the dugout is prohibited. A tablet computer used for scorekeeping purposes only is permissible.
11. Suspended games will be completed from the point of suspension.
  - a. A suspended game completed on a second day will not count toward the two games in one-day rule. Teams that complete a suspended game can still play an additional two (2) full games.
  - b. Pitch Count Rule 1.S. applies to suspended games.
12. In the case of rain, games may be moved to other locations at the discretion of the Tournament Director on site. **Note:** American Legion tournaments have a time limitation, and Tournament Directors must make every effort to complete tournaments on time. The Tournament Director has additional instructions for rain delayed tournaments.
13. Teams will dress in the hotel or at home. No team shall dress at the ballpark unless dressing rooms are provided.
14. Any coach ejected from a game must leave the park and may not communicate in any form or manner with the team or return while the game is in progress. Any player ejected from a game must leave the dugout. The Tournament Director and umpire shall file an ejection report to the National Office.
15. Players removed from a game (other than ejection by an umpire) may be used as a base coach.
16. The Tournament Director must approve all batboys or batgirls.
17. At Regional and World Series competition, the National Headquarters appoints the official scorekeeper. **No team is permitted to have a scorekeeper in the dugout unless that person is in uniform and listed on the National Team Roster.**
  - a. The only non-uniformed personnel permitted in the dugouts are certified medical trainers or a Legionnaire stationed in the dugout at the direction of the tournament director. Tournament Directors may, at their discretion, require the medical trainer provide a copy of their certification.
17. Once American Legion Baseball national tournaments begin (State Tournament through World Series play) no player can participate in another amateur baseball event. (National Rule 6.D.)

## HOME/VISITORS DETERMINATION

### **To determine Home/Visitors for double elimination and pool play games 1 through 12:**

1. A coin toss will determine Home/Visitors for all games. A daily coin flip will be conducted at the morning coaches meeting.

### **To determine Home/Visitors for double elimination games 13 and 14, and pool play semifinals:**

1. The undefeated team in double elimination will have choice of Home/Visitors.
2. The divisional champion in each pool will have choice of Home/Visitors.

### **To determine Home/Visitors for double elimination and pool play championship game 15:**

1. In double elimination play, a coin toss will determine the Home/Visitors.

2. If both semifinal winners are divisional champions, a coin toss will determine the Home/Visitors.
3. If both semifinal winners are divisional runners-up, a coin toss will determine the Home/Visitors.
4. If teams are from the same division in the championship game, the divisional champion will have the choice of Home/Visitors.

## **NATIONAL TOURNAMENT - ON FIELD CONDUCT**

The umpires are instructed to monitor, promote, and enforce the following:

1. Only one on-deck batter will be out of the dugout. Other personnel are to remain in the dugout, bullpen, or coaches' box. Umpires are also instructed to keep players off the dirt around home plate after a home run.
2. Except for lengthy delays, the pitcher will be limited to five (5) warm-up throws between innings.
3. When warming up a pitcher in the bullpen, the catcher (coach or player) must wear a mask and if needed, a third player must protect the bullpen from line drives and foul balls.
4. Shirttails are to be tucked in.
5. Do not "charge" an umpire.
6. List the first and last names along with uniform numbers of all players, including non-starters, on the line-up cards.
7. The umpires are expected to keep the games moving at all times, so expect verbal encouragement from them.
8. Any player, coach, manager, or party accompanying a team may be ejected for the remainder of the game from the time of the rule infraction if they:
  - a. Use profane language in any manner.
  - b. Make any unnecessary gestures or comments in protesting an umpire's decision. (Only the team manager or coach may ask for a clarification of a rule, but never argue.)
  - c. Throw bats or any other equipment.
  - d. Make unnecessary gestures or comments to fans, opposing players or coaches.

If an umpire ejects a player or a coach from the game, the ejected person shall be suspended for the remainder of the tournament, unless reinstated by the Tournament Director.

## **NATIONAL TOURNAMENT - CONDUCT OFF THE FIELD**

1. All persons traveling with an American Legion Baseball team are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that will, at all times, reflect credit on their community, state, and the American Legion Baseball program.
  - a. Any player, manager, or team official, whose conduct may be considered detrimental or injurious to others, or the program, may be suspended for the remainder of the tournament and returned home by means of the first available transportation. A parent, coach or other team official will escort offending player home. The Department Baseball Chairman will be notified of such action.
  - b. If a team's conduct creates an embarrassment to The American Legion, the Tournament Director has final authority to suspend the team and or the Team Manager for two or more games.
2. Team Manager/Head Coach will be required to house with their players at the host hotel as part of their team's room block.

3. Team managers and coaches are responsible for player conduct at all times. Disrespect to facility staff and/or property, pushing, shoving or unnecessary playfulness in hotels, restaurants and other public areas will not be tolerated.
4. Teams are required to place a **security deposit of \$200.00** with the hotel. (A check, cash, or credit card is necessary.)
  - a. Any damaged or unclean rooms may cause their deposit to be forfeited. Hotel rooms are inspected prior to a team's arrival. Rooms are checked for damages and cleanliness prior to the team's departure. Discrepancies will be brought to the attention of the team manager.
5. Curfew will be 12:00 midnight, unless the team is involved in a late game, in which case the team will have two (2) hours after the completion of their game. Any player missing curfew may be sent home on the next available transportation at the discretion of the Tournament Director. Players must be always accounted for. Any player not with the team **OR** any player that must leave the immediate area must obtain prior permission from the Tournament Director. **(Teams must stay together and be under a coach's supervision.)** The team will travel as a group. A release/waiver form must be completed by the Tournament Director if a player wishes to depart the tournament site early or separate from the team.

## PERSONAL APPEARANCE

1. While in uniform, team members are expected to keep as neat as possible. Shirts will be buttoned, zipped, and tucked in at waistline.
2. At the team orientation, each certified player and two coaches will be provided a souvenir shirt.
3. Dress Code: Tournament Hosts often host a banquet or picnic for players and coaches the first evening prior to tournament play. The banquet or pre-tournament picnic is the host's option. The dress code is typically casual; however, teams are required to have dress or golf shorts of an appropriate length and clean athletic shoes. Most teams will be instructed to wear their baseball jersey to the pre-tournament social or banquet.
4. While in street clothes, players are encouraged to dress in a manner that would reflect credit upon their team, sponsor, and their community and the American Legion Baseball program.

## NATIONAL TOURNAMENT TIE BREAKER - Form #8

1. The American Legion is committed to giving each participating team an equal opportunity to win the tournament on the field. However, over the past nine decades we have experienced several game delays.
2. Rain, fog, hurricanes, power outages and other acts of God have required The American Legion and tournament personnel assigned to the tournament to take extraordinary measures to ensure teams are given equal opportunity.
3. It must be understood that there are times in which a champion cannot be crowned on the field because of the weather. If rain or other acts of God cause a serious delay in a game(s) or tournament. The Tournament Director is authorized to:
  - a. Change the schedule and require teams to play games at a back-up facility.
  - b. Move the tournament to another community (and ballpark) to complete the tournament.
4. If for unforeseen reasons we cannot crown a champion on the field of play or determine a "pool" winner, The American Legion will determine the winner by the following formula:

If two teams remain:

1. Head-to-head competition between teams

2. Fewest runs allowed overall
3. Most runs scored overall
4. A coin flip.

If three or more teams remain:

1. Fewest runs allowed overall
2. Most runs scored overall
3. Coin flip (first “odd-man” out wins)

**NOTE:** No team will be required to play three games in a day. The 11:00 p.m. “start time” may be suspended if all teams agree in writing to waive the “start time.”

## NATIONAL TOURNAMENT TEAM TRAVEL

The National Headquarters will arrange transportation for teams traveling to and from the Regional and World Series National Tournaments.

- a. The local tournament host is required to provide local transportation at the tournament. Questions concerning local transportation need to be directed to the local host committee.

**NOTE:** Several teams in the Midwest, Northwest and Western United States will be required to fly to a regional tournament site by commercial airline. **Due to the Federal Aviation Administration security alert**, team members are required to show and present a PHOTO ID at check in.

The American Legion annually purchases 500 airline tickets to fly players and coaches to Regional and World Series Tournaments. These airline tickets are nonrefundable and expensive. Tickets are purchased for those players from the housing list submitted following the completion of the state tournament. Unfortunately, The American Legion National Headquarters has purchased airline tickets for players who sometimes choose not to attend the tournament. **The American Legion will no longer absorb this cost. The team will be responsible to reimburse The American Legion for any unused airline ticket(s).**

### 1. Team Travel – 60-mile policy:

- a. Participating out-of-state teams that live **within 60 miles** of the Regional or World Series Tournament site may be authorized housing but will be required to provide their own transportation.
- b. Participating teams that are required to fly to a national regional tournament must provide their own transportation to the airport.
- c. Any team **within a 60-mile** radius of the airport shall provide their own transportation to and from the airport and the team will not be reimbursed for mileage.
- d. Any team **outside a 60-mile** radius of the airport shall provide their own transportation. However, the Tournament Director shall reimburse the team for mileage at \$1.50 per mile for a single round trip.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The American Legion will make every effort to return teams to the nearest major airport. HOWEVER, because many flights are often full it then becomes necessary to fly teams’ home to another nearby airport. Again, teams must make their own travel arrangements home from the airport

2. **Team Travel:** The National Office shall determine the nearest airport for departure. Because of the high cost of airline tickets flying from small regional airports, The National Office shall determine the most economical airport for the transportation of teams to and from a national tournament.

- a. The National Office may utilize commercial buses for transportation to the national tournament sites (Regional and World Series). Any team that wishes to use their own team bus shall be reimbursed at \$3.00 per mile for a single round trip, if authorized by the National Office.
  - b. Each year, a few players must report directly to college from a national tournament. It is the parent's or legal guardian's responsibility to make transportation arrangements to the college.
  - c. National Headquarters is **NOT** responsible for team meals while traveling to or from the national tournament site.
3. Our liability insurance will not permit us to transport unauthorized team personnel. Only personnel listed on the National Team Roster, or those who have been approved by the National Headquarters, are permitted to be transported to the tournament site. Parents, batboys or batgirls, local Legion Officers, sponsors, scorekeepers, and wives etc., must make their own travel, housing, and meal arrangements. National Headquarters will not be financially obligated for any unauthorized personnel.
  4. Meal allowances while at a national tournament will be:
 

Breakfast	\$6.00
Lunch	\$6.00
Dinner	\$6.00
  5. The American Legion is not responsible for miscellaneous hotel charges such as movies, phone calls, meals, roll-away beds, etc. These charges will be the responsibility of the team.
  6. Airline Luggage Reimbursement Policy: The American Legion's policy for checked luggage and carry-on bags is as follows:
    - a. Team members can check up to **TWO BAGS** per coach (two coaches only) and player listed on National Form 1 Roster. Example: 13 players and 2 coaches – 30 pieces of luggage; 18 players and 2 coaches – 40 pieces of luggage).
    - b. The team is financially responsible for equipment bags and overweight items and will not be reimbursed.
    - c. It is the participant's responsibility to ensure that the luggage checked is within prescribed weight limits. The participant is responsible for paying any fee levied for their overweight bags. **Please be sure to get receipts and provide those receipts to the tournament director at your regional site.** Team will be reimbursed at the tournament site by the tournament director.
    - d. It is the participant's responsibility to ascertain what is allowed as a carry-on and to pack accordingly. Baseball bats are never permitted as carry-on luggage.

## AMERICAN LEGION FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

The National Americanism Commission will arrange and be financially responsible for the certified players **listed on the National Team Roster** (not to exceed eighteen {18} players and two {2} adults traveling to and from national Regional and World Series tournaments).

- a. National Headquarters will be responsible for housing and meals while at the national tournaments (Regional and World Series).
- b. No substitutions of coaches are allowed, unless authorized by the National Office. Any substitute players, batboys/batgirls, official scorekeepers, or extra coaches traveling, collecting meal monies, or being housed at American Legion expense will disqualify your team from further competition.
- c. Teams are responsible for arranging additional accommodations, travel, and banquet tickets for the extra coaches, trainers, equipment managers, team scorers, batboys, or batgirls, etc.

## RULES AND POLICIES AUTHORITY



In accordance with Resolution No. 7 of the National Executive Committee of the American Legion, May 2021, The American Legion reserves the right to temporarily amend, delay or suspend any established rule or policy of its national youth programs when a program is subject to the occurrence of a circumstance whose cause is beyond the control of The American Legion, thereby making it impossible, illegal, impracticable, or inadvisable for The American Legion to conduct a youth program in accordance with established rules or policies. You may read Resolution No. 7 in its entirety by [clicking here](#) or by accessing it from The American Legion Digital Archive at [legion.org/archive](https://legion.org/archive).

**Team Photos and Practices will be at KEETER STADIUM** *(Weather permitting)*

<b>Team</b>	<b>Photo</b>	<b>Practice</b>	<b>Field</b>
Northeast, Region 1	9:00 am	9:30 am	Keeter Stadium
Mid-Atlantic, Region 2	9:45 am	10:15 am	Keeter Stadium
Southeast, Region 3	10:30 am	11:00 am	Keeter Stadium
Mid-South, Region 4	11:15 am	11:45 am	Keeter Stadium
Great Lakes, Region 5	12:00 pm	12:30 pm	Keeter Stadium
Central Plains, Region 6	12:45 pm	1:15 pm	Keeter Stadium
Northwest, Region 7	1:30 pm	2:00 pm	Keeter Stadium
Western, Region 8	2:15 pm	2:45 pm	Keeter Stadium

## George W. Rulon American Legion Player Of The Year



**American Legion National Commander Paul E. Dillard presents Rulon Award to Troy AL Post 70 catcher Brooks Bryan**

For over 25 years, George W. Rulon was the heart and soul of the American Legion baseball program. For his dedicated and loyal service to the legion program, the legion's Player Of The Year award has been named in his honor.

The announcement came from the legion's national commander Dale L. Renaud in a surprise presentation during the pre-tournament Banquet of Champions prior to the 1986 American Legion World Series in Rapid City, South Dakota.

Rulon was very much surprised and somewhat emotional but not to those who follow youth baseball. It was a fitting tribute and honor to Rulon for a program he faithfully directed for a quarter century.

Rulon died in January 1989, but his memory remains strong in the program he loved.

The yearly recipient of the George W. Rulon American Legion Player of the Year annually attends the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York. The player is honored in pre-game ceremonies at the Hall of Fame's Classic game at Cooperstown's Doubleday Field.

The selection of the Rulon award is made on the basis of playing ability, integrity, attitude, cooperation, citizenship, sportsmanship and general good conduct.

The ALWS all-tournament committee selects the Rulon award from its all-tournament team members.

The 2022 recipient was Brooks Bryan from the championship Troy AL Post 70 club.

He becomes the 13th catcher (plus DH) in ALWS history to be selected as the Player Of The Year. He led the Series in hitting with a .500 average going 15-for-30.

Previous recipients:

1949 – Ray Herrera, SS, Oakland CA Post 337  
1950 – J.W. Porter, C, Oakland CA Post 337  
1951 – Grover Jones Jr., C, White Plains NY Post 135  
1952 – Russell Nixon, C, Cincinnati OH Post 50  
1953 – Charles Lindstrom, P, Winnetka IL Post 10  
1954 – Billy Capps, 3B, San Diego CA Post 492

1955 – Frank Birri, 3B, Cincinnati OH Post 216  
1956 – Jim Harwell, P, New Orleans LA Post 345  
1957 – Fred Fox, 3B, Cincinnati OH Post 50  
1958 – Kiebler James, P/SS, Greenwood SC Post 20  
1959 – Fred Bowen Jr., SS, Detroit MI Post 187  
1960 – Dick Roniger, P, New Orleans LA Post 125  
1961 – Jim Gerber, SS, Cincinnati OH Post 554  
1962 – Bill Matan Jr., C, St. Louis MO Post 229  
1963 – Dick Dash, 2B, Long Beach CA Post 27  
1964 – Rollie Fingers, P/OF, Upland CA Post 73  
1965 – Ken Fila, P, Omaha NE Post 1  
1966 – Billy Parker Jr., OF, Tuscaloosa AL Post 34  
1967 – Ray Larson, C, Northbrook IL Post 791  
1968 – Donnie Castle, P/OF, Memphis TN Post 1  
1969 – John Adeimy, SS, W. Palm Beach FL Post 12  
1970 – Carroll Watts, SS, Tulsa OK Post 1  
1971 – Randolph Haas, OF, West Covina CA Post 790  
1972 – Michael Murphy, P/OF, Ballwin MO Post 611  
1973 – Tucker Ashford, SS, Memphis TN Post 1  
1974 – Edwin Lopez, OF, Rio Piedras PR Post 146  
1975 – Dave Elder, P/OF, Yakima WA Post 36  
1976 – Gus Malespin, OF, Metairie LA Post 175  
1977 – Bill Schell, SS, South Bend IN Post 50  
1978 – Ross Jones, 1B, Hialeah FL Post 32  
1979 – Pat Allen, 2B, Yakima WA Post 36  
1980 – Tom Gil, OF, Hialeah FL Post 32  
1981 – David Magadan, 3B/P, W. Tampa FL Post 248  
1982 – Ivan Snyder, OF/P, Boyertown PA Post 471  
1983 – Mike Holloran, C, Edina MN Post 471  
1984 – Jorge Robles, SS, Guaynabo PR Post 134  
1985 – Tris Lipscomb, P/2B, Midlothian VA Post 186  
1986 – Joe Grahe, P, Jensen Beach FL Post 126  
1987 – Wilbur Stout, C, Boyertown PA Post 471  
1988 – Mike Kessler, 1B/P, Cincinnati OH Post 507  
1989 – Del Marine, C, Woodland Hills CA Post 826  
1990 – Mark Foster, P/OF, May MD Post 226  
1991 – Ryan Beeney, SS, Newark OH Post 85  
1992 – David Lamb, SS, Newbury Park CA  
1993 – Ben Thomas, 1B/P, Rapid City SD Post 22  
1994 – Fernando Rodriguez, P, Miami FL Post 346  
1995 – Jason Adaro, P/1B, Aiea HI  
1996 – Christian Bourgeois, 1B, Gonzales LA Post 81  
1997 – Nate Philo, CF, Medford OR Post 15  
1998 – Chad Opel, SS, Edwardsville IL Post 199  
1999 – Jeremy Roberts, OF, Rison AR Post 83  
2000 – Josh Zender, P/OF, Blaine WA Post 86  
2001 – Jay Threat, P/1B, Adrian MI Post 275  
2002 – Ty Henkaline, P, Sidney OH Post 217  
2003 – Jared Willis, 2B/SS, Logan WV Post 19  
2004 – Nolan Gallagher, P, Red Lodge, MT  
2005 – Fernando Irizarry, C, Cidra PR Post 76  
2006 – Joseph Walsh, C, Weymouth MA Post 79  
2007 – Blaine Drozd, P, Geona NE Post 263  
2008 – Patrick Singletary, C, Henderson NC Post 77  
2009 – Tyler Jacobson, IF/P, Pulaski WI Post 337  
2010 – Charlie Drozd, C, Geona NE Post 263  
2011 – Blake Schmit, SS, Eden Prairie MN  
2012 – Emerson Gibbs, P, New Orleans LA Post 125  
2013 – Anthony Harrold, 1B, Brooklawn NJ Post 72  
2014 – Sean Breen, 2B, Brooklawn NJ Post 72  
2015 – Justin Hawkins, SS, Chapin-Newberry SC  
2016 – Will Smith, C, Texarkana AR  
2017 – Shane Spencer, P, Henderson NV Post 40  
2018 – Chris Ludman, P, Wilmington DE Post 1  
2019 – Trevor Marsh, OF, Randolph County NC Post 45  
2020 – no World Series played due to Covid-19  
2021 – Nate Rose, SS, Idaho Falls ID Post 56 Bandits  
2022 – Brooks Bryan, C/DH, Troy AL70

## James F. Daniel Jr. Sportsmanship Award



**Deeziel Luce**

This award was first presented at The American Legion World Series in 1956 and was named in honor of James F. Daniel in 1960. Daniel was the chairman of the Legion's Americanism Commission and was from Greenville, South Carolina.

The 2022 recipient was Deeziel Luce from national runner-up Idaho Falls ID Post 56 Bandits.

Luce pitched on the 2021 national championship team and was the closer in the title game against Hawaii.

### Previous recipients:

1956 – Bill Oerdeing, Roseburg OR Post 16  
 1957 – Karl Haag, Portland OR Post 102  
 1958 – Scott Seger, Cincinnati OH Post 50  
 1960 – Robert Fry, Billings MT Post 4  
 1961 – Larry Staley, Phoenix AZ Post 1  
 1962 – John Matias, Honolulu HI Post 11  
 1963 – Oscar Brown, Long Beach CA Post 27  
 1964 – Joseph F. Moody III, Charlotte NC Post 9  
 1965 – William M. Oakley, Memphis TN Post 1  
 1966 – Buddy Plummer, Enid OK Post 4  
 1967 – Randall Ryan, Tuscaloosa AL Post 34  
 1968 – Lonnie Young, Timmonsville SC Post 47  
 1969 – William F. McCord III, Portland OR Post 105  
 1970 – Gil Stafford, Phoenix AZ Post 1  
 1971 – Michael L. Curran, Cedar Rapids IA Post 5  
 1972 – Mike Umfleet, Ballwin MO Post 611  
 1973 – Jose Ramon Lugo, Rio Piedras PR Post 146  
 1974 – Glenn Heard, Lake Oswego OR Post 92  
 1975 – Curtiss Becker, Cedar Rapids IA Post 5  
 1976 – Mike Boddicker, Cedar Rapids IA Post 5  
 1977 – Scott Benedict, West Palm Beach FL Post 12  
 1978 – John Maner, East Springfield MA Post 420  
 1979 – Steve Peterson, Barrington IL Post 158  
 1980 – Bob Melvin, Palo Alto CA Post 375  
 1981 – Keith Peterson, Bellevue WA  
 1982 – Mike Hufhand, Kokomo IN Post 6  
 1983 – John Ludy, Boyertown PA Post 471  
 1984 – John McGettigan, Brooklawn NJ Post 72  
 1985 – Bobby Jones, Sacramento CA  
 1986 – Tom Griffin, Las Vegas NV Post 8  
 1987 – Brett Blechschmidt, Vancouver WA Post 176  
 1988 – Pete Rose Jr., Cincinnati OH Post 507  
 1989 – Andy Sheets, Gonzales LA Post 81  
 1990 – Ricardo Otero, Bayamon PR Post 48  
 1991 – Jason Williams, Gonzales LA  
 1992 – John Klopp, Arlington Heights IL Post 208  
 1993 – Chad Stevenson, Las Vegas NV Post 8  
 1994 – Erick Gomez, Chino CA Post 299

1995 – Woody Health, Bellevue WA  
 1996 – Andy Hoffman, Midland MI Post 165  
 1997 – Andy Neufeld, Sanford FL Post 53  
 1998 – Ralph Roberts, Cherryville NC Post 100  
 1999 – Timothy A. Brusseau Jr., Wood River Jct., RI Pt. 39  
 2000 – Julius Smith, Lewiston ID Post 13  
 2002 – Ronny Woods, Dothan AL Post 12  
 2003 – Michael Badger, Rochester MN Post 92  
 2004 – Ryan Reid, Portland ME Nova  
 2005 – Tyson Seng, Enid OK Post 4  
 2006 – Brady Shoemaker, Terre Haute IN Post 346  
 2007 – Holden Killen, Columbia TN Post 19  
 2008 – Paul Sewald, Las Vegas NV Post 76  
 2009 – Garrett Yatch, Midland MI Post 165  
 2010 – Blake Schmit, Eden Prairie MN  
 2011 – Brandon Woodruff, Tupelo MS Post 49  
 2012 – Brett Tenuto, Brooklawn NJ Post 72  
 2013 – Robbie Prodrosky, Gonzales LA Post 81  
 2014 – Tanner Gross, Midland MI  
 2015 – Ben Hess, New Orleans LA  
 2016 – Logan Virdine, Texarkana AR  
 2017 – Will Hanafan, Omaha NE Post 1  
 2018 – Sam Goodman, Dubuque County IA Post 137  
 2019 – Alex Cortez, Idaho Falls ID Post 56  
 2020 – no World Series played due to Covid-19  
 2021 – Stone Collier, Tupelo MS Post 49  
 2022 – Deeziel Luce, Idaho Falls ID Post 56

## Bob Feller Pitching Award

The Bob Feller Pitching Award goes to the pitcher that records the highest number of strikeouts in national competition (national regional and World Series games). Feller was the first player inducted into the Baseball Hall Of Fame that played American Legion baseball.

The 2022 recipient was Merit Jones of Idaho Falls ID with 24 strikeouts in national competition.

### Previous award winners:

1978 Glen Roe, Caldwell NJ .....	15
1979 Brian Keith Reams, Norwalk CA .....	26
1980 Sid Fernandez, Honolulu HI .....	55
1981 Scott Anderson, Bellevue WA .....	44
1982 Rob Wassenaar, Edina MN .....	34
1983 John Ludy, Boyertown PA .....	52
1984 Lino Rivera, Guaynabo PR .....	35
1985 Gregg Olson, Omaha NE .....	44
1986 Joe Grahe, Jensen Beach FL .....	52
1987 Stan Spencer, Vancouver WA .....	40
1988 Scott Klingenberg, Cincinnati OH .....	36
1989 Jeff Thelen, Janesville WI .....	34
1990 Clifton Foster, Texarkana AR .....	32
1991 Bob Pailthorpe, Union City CA .....	33
1992 Tighe Curran, Newbury Park CA .....	35
1993 Ben Thomas, Rapid City SD .....	27
1994 Lance Franks, Russellville AR .....	30
1995 Woody Heath, Bellevue WA .....	48
1996 Ben Sheets, Gonzales LA .....	37
1997 Steve Bechler, Medford OR .....	37
1998 Ralph Roberts, Cherryville NC .....	41
1999 Steve Grasley, New Brighton MN .....	43
2000 Ben Thurmond, Columbia SC .....	47
2001 Chad Billingsley, Napoleon OH .....	43
2002 (tie) Josh Johnson, West Point MS .....	34
(tie) Matt Skundrick, Medford OR .....	34
2003 Chris Mason, Cherryville NC .....	69
2004 Ryan Reid, Portland ME .....	29



2005 Tyler Cheney, Pasco WA.....	41
2006 Robby Broach, Metairie LA.....	30
2007 Aaron Davidson, Bryant AR.....	31
2008 Cade Lynch, Jonesboro AR.....	33
2009 Matt Stites, Festus MO.....	30
2010 Kevin Hill, Midwest City OK.....	35
2011 Colton Loomis, Midland MI.....	35
2012 Emerson Gibbs, New Orleans LA.....	26
2013 Mike Shawaryn, Brooklawn NJ.....	33
2014 Jake Meyers, Omaha NE.....	29
2015 Jordan Ragan, Medford OR.....	23
2016 Gerald Hein, Kennewick WA.....	24
2017 Jordan Patty, Midland MI.....	19
2018 Jimmy Gamboas, Las Vegas NV.....	25
2019 Randon Hostert, Idaho Falls ID.....	25
2020 – no World Series played due to Covid-19	
2021 Aaron Savary, Dubuque County IA.....	25
2022 Merit Jones, Idaho Falls ID.....	24

## Louisville Slugger Award

The batting champion of the American Legion World Series annually receives the Louisville Slugger Award. The Hillerich and Bradsby Company of Louisville have presented this award yearly since 1945. The award is based on the player compiling the highest batting average in national competition (national regional and World Series games).

The 2022 recipient was Brooks Bryan from Troy AL with a lofty .500 average going 15-for-30 in national play.

### Previous award winners:

1926 Jack McCormick, Yonkers NY.....	583
1927 no national tournament	
1928 Elinor Sorenson, Oakland CA.....	500
1929 Billy Joyce, Buffalo NY.....	490
1930 Herbert Newburg, Baltimore MD.....	375
1931 Wally Holem, South Chicago IL.....	400
1932 Jimmie Frachie, New Orleans LA.....	450
1933 Ted Swed, Chicago IL.....	414
1934 Charley Clark, Cumberland MD.....	433
1935 Jerry Bertolini, Sacramento CA.....	365
1936 Pete Fowler, Spartanburg SC.....	550
1937 Ray Bessom, East Lynn MA.....	555
1938 Charles Cudd, Spartanburg SC.....	444
1939 Eddie Goralski, Berwyn IL.....	500
1940 Clyde Dick, Albemarle NC.....	452
1941 Griff Hayes, San Diego CA.....	500
1942 John Mauch, Los Angeles CA.....	429
1943 Buzz Wheeler, Richfield MN.....	375
1944 Ralph Kraus, Cincinnati OH.....	412
1945 Lee Carrey, Tucson AZ.....	400
1946 Victor Kauffman, Cincinnati OH.....	467
1947 George Moeller, Cincinnati OH.....	500
1948 Don Hunter, Omaha NE.....	397
1949 J.W. Porter, Oakland CA.....	551
1950 J.W. Porter, Oakland CA.....	448
1951 Grover Jones Jr., White Plains NY.....	408
1952 Horace Tucker Jr., San Diego CA.....	452
1953 Charles Selinger, Winnetka IL.....	457
1954 (tie) Jim Galasso, San Diego CA.....	375
(tie) Jack Hopper, Gastonia NC.....	375
1955 Richard Hergenrader, Lincoln NE.....	389
1956 Lawrence Goudy, St. Louis MO.....	449
1957 Fred Fox, Cincinnati OH.....	412
1958 Kenneth Peters, Cincinnati OH.....	420
1959 Louis Webb, Phoenix AZ.....	478
1960 Robert Fry, Billings MT.....	417

1961 Kenneth McEwen, Omaha NE.....	548
1962 Fred Balmer, Hampton VA.....	553
1963 Jerry Mattingly, Evansville IN.....	413
1964 Rollie Fingers, Upland CA.....	450
1965 Roland Goulet, Berlin NH.....	542
1966 Ron Harris, Washington DC.....	406
1967 Joseph Cherico, Wilmington Manor DE.....	514
1968 M.A. Dominquez, San Antonio TX.....	409
1969 John Adeimy, West Palm Beach FL.....	513
1970 R.L. Brown, Phoenix AZ.....	429
1971 R.D. Walton, Phoenix AZ.....	548
1972 Keith Kaurez, Memphis TN.....	583
1973 Carlos Rodriguez, Rio Piedras PR.....	435
1974 Edwin Lopez, Rio Piedras, PR.....	433
1975 Arnulfo Camacho, San Juan PR.....	417
1976 David Stokes, Metairie LA.....	402
1977 Bill Schell, South Bend IN.....	441
1978 Doug Palmer, New Ulm MN.....	679
1979 Steve Wolff, Rapid City SD.....	423
1980 Cedric Gray, Palo Alto CA.....	567
1981 Roger Hulse, Tulsa OK.....	478
1982 Ivan Snyder, Boyertown PA.....	600
1983 Chito Martinez, New Orleans LA.....	566
1984 Jon Bradley, Millington TN.....	461
1985 (tie) Bobby Jones, Sacramento CA.....	500
(tie) Steve Nelson, Omaha NE.....	500
(tie) Gregg Olson, Omaha NE.....	500
1986 Mitch Hannahs, Maynard OH.....	486
1987 Brad Dolejsi, Midwest City OK.....	432
1988 Scott Hughes, Cincinnati OH.....	465
1989 Del Marine, Woodland Hills CA.....	459
1990 Brett O'Dea, Mayo MD.....	514
1991 Bob Pailthorpe, Union City CA.....	585
1992 (tie) Brannon Weigel, Fargo ND.....	448
(tie) Ryan Kritscher, Newbury Park CA.....	448
1993 Ryan Merritt, Rapid City SD.....	490
1994 Bob Barth Jr., Brooklawn NJ.....	438
1995 Jason Adaro, Aiea HI.....	488
1996 Bryce Gehlen, Vancouver WA.....	514
1997 Nate Philo, Medford OR.....	520
1998 Chad Opel, Edwardsville IL.....	632
1999 Kenny Judd, Edmond OK.....	552
2000 Matt Ryan, Brooklawn NJ.....	541
2001 Richard Chinn, Danville CA.....	538
2002 Josh Sowell, Dothan AL.....	553
2003 Andy Console, Haddon Heights NJ.....	514
2004 Tommy Cauley, DeLand FL.....	500
2005 Mike Tamsin, Branford CT.....	538
2006 Brady Shoemaker, Terre Haute IN.....	523
2007 Kevin Hussey, Tucson AZ.....	533
2008 Brandon Bass, Omaha NE.....	586
2009 T.J. White, Las Vegas NV.....	559
2010 Jake Hager, Las Vegas NV.....	476
2011 Dylan Huskey, Gaffney SC.....	500
2012 Evan Ryan, Omaha NE.....	571
2013 Anthony Harrold, Brooklawn NJ.....	529
2014 Sean Breen, Brooklawn NJ.....	575
2015 Ben Hess, New Orleans LA.....	467
2016 Tyler Villaroman, San Mateo CA.....	475
2017 Jordan Patty, Midland MI.....	529
2018 Sam Link, Dubuque County IA.....	555
2019 Ron Franklin, Destrehan LA.....	600
2020 – no World Series played due to Covid-19	
2021 Kobe Seen, Fargo ND.....	542
2022 Brooks Bryan, Troy AL.....	500



## Dr. Irvin L 'Click' Cowger RBI Award

The Dr. Irvin L 'Click' Cowger RBI Award goes to the player compiling the most RBI in national competition (World Series and national regional tournaments). The award is named in honor of Dr. Irvin L. Cowger at the request of and donated by the Department of Kansas. The award is presented during post-tournament ceremonies at the American Legion World Series.

The 2022 recipients were Albert Garza, League City TX, Kyeler Thompson, League City TX and Nick Vaalentine, Chesapeake VA. Each picked up 12 rbi in national competition.

### Previous award winners:

1970 John Dalton, Wilmington NC.....	12
1971 Rod Walton, Phoenix AZ.....	20
1972 Michael Murphy, Ballwin MO.....	12
1973 Guillermon Bonilla, Rio Piedras PR.....	12
1974 Charles Johnson, Cheverly MD.....	10
1975 David Edler, Yakima WA.....	19
1976 Gus Malespin, Metairie LA.....	20
1977 Lee Wenzel Jr., Santa Monica CA.....	9
1978 Pete Kumiega III, East Springfield MA.....	20
1979 Juan Cruz, Yakima WA.....	30
1980 Howard Kapuniai, Honolulu HI.....	17
1981 Victor Garcia, West Tampa FL.....	21
1982 Ron DeLucchi, Lafayette CA.....	19
1983 Chito Martinez, New Orleans LA.....	17
1984 Will Vespe, Brooklawn NJ.....	18
1985 Mike Musolino, Sacramento CA.....	20
1986 (tie) Danny Opperman, Las Vegas NV.....	19
(tie) Mike Tonucci, New London CT.....	19
1987 Greg Blevins, Midwest City OK.....	14
1988 Scott Hughes, Cincinnati OH.....	17
1989 Carl McFadden, Woodland Hills CA.....	14
1990 Luis Rosario, Bayamon PR.....	16
1991 (tie) Bob Pailthorpe, Union City CA.....	16
(tie) Ryan Beeney, Newark OH.....	16
1992 Trent Martin, Newbury Park CA.....	17
1993 (tie) Allen Layman, Norman OK.....	16
(tie) Ben Thomas, Rapid City SD.....	16
1994 Frank Hinojosa, Chino CA.....	24
1995 (tie) Larry Lockridge, Columbia TN.....	15
(tie) Bobby Morgan, Columbia TN.....	15
(tie) Dom Crispo, Bellevue WA.....	15
1996 Christian Bourgeois, Gonzales LA.....	15
1997 Brian Fatchet, Medford OR.....	21
1998 Chris Wright, State College PA.....	25
1999 Brian Paone, New Brighton MN.....	26
2000 Al Smith, Omaha NE.....	22
2001 (tie) Josh Burton, Lewiston ID.....	16
(tie) Josh O'Dell, Midwest City OK.....	16
(tie) Steve Larson, Omaha NE.....	16
2002 Spencer Ingaldson, Rapid City SD.....	12
2003 (tie) Joey Briggs, Corvallis OR.....	17
(tie) Andy Console, Haddon Heights NJ.....	17
2004 Troy Peterson, Eden Prairie MN.....	20
2005 Zac Berg, Enid OK.....	21
2006 Brady Shoemaker, Terre Haute IN.....	18
2007 Aaron Tapia, Tucson AZ.....	22
2008 Max Garrett, Pasco WA.....	17
2009 Kyle O'Boyle, Midland MI.....	19
2010 Vince Amp, Roseburg OR.....	19
2011 Blake Schmt, Eden Prairie MN.....	18
2012 (tie) Matthieu Robert, New Orleans LA.....	16
(tie) Evan Ryan, Omaha NE.....	16
(tie) Taylor Elam, Omaha NE.....	16

2013 Robert Busse, Petaluma CA.....	14
2014 Jordan Mopas, Waipahu HI.....	13
2015 Justin Hawkins, Chapin-Newberry SC.....	12
2016 Angelo Bortolin, San Mateo CA.....	16
2017 Zack Luckey, Omana NE.....	13
2018 Bryce Marsh, Randolph County NC.....	15
2019 Ron Franklin, Destrehan LA.....	15
2020 – no World Series played due to Covid-19	
2021 Stone Collier, Tupelo MS.....	13
Easton Hood, Tupelo MS.....	13
2022 Albert Garza, League City TX.....	12
Kyeler Thompson, League City TX.....	12
Nick Valentine, Chesapeake VA.....	12

## Rawlings Big Stick Award

The Rawlings Big Stick Award goes to the player compiling the most total bases in national competition (World Series and national regional tournaments). The award is presented at the World Series ceremonies. The award is presented by the Rawlings Sporting Goods Company.

The 2022 recipient was Brooks Bryan, Troy AL with 24.

### Previous award winners:

1972 Keith Kaurez, Memphis TN.....	38
1973 Tucker Ashford, Memphis TN.....	34
1974 Greg Tooley, Rockport IN.....	22
1975 Bill Wilson, Cedar Rapids IA.....	42
1976 Gus Malespin, Metairie LA.....	41
1977 Doug Roberson, West Palm Beach FL.....	30
1978 Ivan Mesa, Hialeah FL.....	39
1979 Juan Cruz, Yakima WA.....	30
1980 Tomas Gil, Hialeah FL.....	27
1981 Kevin Sickinger, Richmond VA.....	32
1982 Ron DeLucchi, Lafayette CA.....	45
1983 Chito Martinez, New Orleans LA.....	44
1984 Jose Marzan, Guaynabo PR.....	32
1985 Mike Musolino, Sacramento CA.....	40
1986 Danny Opperman, Las Vegas NV.....	44
1987 (tie) Tad Thompson, Vancouver WA.....	26
(tie) Jeff Seymour, Boyertown PA.....	26
1988 Scott Hughes, Cincinnati OH.....	30
1989 Del Marine, Woodland Hills CA.....	24
1990 Ricardo Otero, Bayamon PR.....	37
1991 Bob Pailthorpe, Union City CA.....	36
1992 Mike Harris, Brooklawn NJ.....	29
1993 Allen Layman, Norman OK.....	34
1994 Esteban Barrios, Miami FL.....	35
1995 Jason Adaro, Aiea HI.....	29
1996 James Jarreau, Gonzales LA.....	34
1997 Nate Philo, Medford OR.....	44
1998 Ralph Roberts, Cherryville NC.....	34
1999 Brian Paone, New Brighton MN.....	48
2000 (tie) Al Smith, Omaha NE.....	31
(tie) Mark Michael, Brooklawn NJ.....	31
(tie) Ryan Lymangrover, Danville CA.....	31
2001 Nate Martin, Lewiston ID.....	34
2002 (tie) Josh Sowell, Dothan AL.....	31
(tie) Corey Carter, West Point MS.....	31
2003 Joey Briggs, Corvallis OR.....	41
2004 Steve Marquardt, Kennewick WA.....	29
2005 Zac Berg, Enid OK.....	40
2006 Brady Shoemaker, Terre Haute IN.....	39
2007 Marc Damon, Tucson AZ.....	46
2008 Max Garrett, Pasco WA.....	38
2009 Kyle O'Boyle, Midland MI.....	40
2010 Matt Halloran, Eden Prairie MN.....	34

2011 Tony Skjefte, Eden Prairie MN .....	45
2012 Evan Ryan, Omaha NE .....	36
2013 Anthony Bender, Petaluma CA.....	28
2014 Sean Breen, Brooklawn NJ.....	29
2015 Justin Hawkins, Chapin-Newberry SC.....	31
2016 Zach Luckey, Omaha NE.....	27
Angelo Bortolin, San Mateo CA .....	27
2017 Jack Thomas Wold, Omaha NE .....	29
2018 (tie)Austin Colmery, Wilmington DE .....	20
(tie) Dawson Painter, Randolph County NC .....	20
2019 Trevor Marsh, Randolph County NC.....	26
2021 Jackson McCoy, Tuleo MS.....	22
2022 Brooks Bryan, Troy AL.....	24

## Jack Williams Memorial Leadership Award



**National Commander Paul E. Dillard with winning manager Ross Hixon and coach D.J. Law**

The winning manager and coaches of the American Legion World Series receive the Jack Williams Memorial Leadership Award. The award is named in honor of the former adjutant of the Department of North Dakota. Williams, whose service to the legion spanned 49 years, stressed the importance of adult leadership with youth activities. This award is presented annually at the conclusion of the American Legion World Series.

Previous recipients

1968 – manager Tony Gagliano, coach John Camp, Memphis TN Post 1.  
 1969 – manager Leo Wyans, coach Dick McClain, Portland OR Post 105.  
 1970 – manager Don Sealy, coach Joe Opatkiewicz, West Covina CA Post 790.  
 1971 – manager Don Sealy, coach William Kagy, West Covina Ca Post 790.  
 1972 – manager Bill Bullock, coaches Don Loehr; Bob Umfleet, Ballwin MO P611.  
 1973 – manager Rolando Bernacet, coach Alfredo Toro, Rio Piedras PR Post 146.  
 1974 – manager Rolando Bernacet, coach Alfredo Toro, Rio Piedras PR Post 146.  
 1975 – manager Robert A. Garretson, coach Dale Ehler, Yakima WA Post 36.  
 1976 – manager Al Montanari, coach Tom McCaffrey, Santa Monica CA Post 123.  
 1977 – manager Mel Machuca, coach Bill Barcome, South Bend IN Post 50.  
 1978 – manager Louis Reilly, coach James Trout, Hialeah FL Post 32.

1979 – manager Robert A. Garretson, coach Robert W. Garretson, Yakima WA P36  
 1980 – manager Clyde Hayashida, coach Ronald Jacobs, Honolulu HI.  
 1981 – manager Frank Permuy Sr., coach Frank Permuy Jr., W.Tampa FL P248  
 1983 – manager Clifton M. Olsen, coach Bruce Barron, Edina MN Post 471.  
 1984 – manager Jose Centeno, coach Javier Centeno, Guynabo PR Post 134.  
 1985 – manager Maurice Beck, coach David Goger, Midlothian VA Post 186.  
 1986 – manager Bob Shaw, coach Hondo Wilkes, Jensen Beach FL Post 126.  
 1987 – manager Dave Specht, coach Rick Moatz, Boyertown PA Post 471.  
 1982 – manager Dick Ludy, coach Dave Specht, Boyertown PA Post 471.  
 1988 – manager John McMichen, coach Tom Kilgore, Cincinnati OH Post 507.  
 1989 – manager Gary Gibson, coach Don Hornbeck, Woodlawn Hills CA Post 826.  
 1990 – manager Bernie Walter Jr., coach Will Trinidad, Mayo MD Post 226.  
 1991 – manager Joe Barth Sr., coach Joe Barth Jr., Brooklawn NJ Post 72.  
 1992 – manager Chuck Fick, coach Wayne Smith, Newbury Park CA.  
 1993 – manager Dave Ploof, coach Steve Wolff, Rapid City SD Post 22.  
 1994 – manager Carlos Hernandez Sr., coach Carlos Hernandez Jr., Miami FL 346.  
 1995 – manager Alan Higuchi, coaches Garrett Nago, Garrett Yukumoto, Aiea HI.  
 1996 – head coach Meade Tenaglia and coaches Joe Ferraro and Paul Zavorski, Yardley PA Post 317  
 1997 – head coach Rod Ferguson and coaches Jack Diemer and Kenne Brown, Sanford FL Post 53  
 1998 – head coach Ken Schaake and coaches Steve Haug, Keith Opel and Mike Schaake, Edwardsville IL Post 199  
 1999 – head coach Jeff Larson and coaches Mark Paone, Mike Naslowski, New Brighton MN Post 513  
 2000 -- head coach Don Johns and coaches John McGough, John Rodrigues, Pat Evans and Andy Faria, Danville CA Post 246  
 2001 – manager Joe Barth Sr.; coaches Dennis Barth, Tim Gunn, Brooklawn P72  
 2002 – manager Frank Portero;coach Tyler Bratton, W.Point MS Post 212  
 2003 – Keith Kangas and Tony Beck, Rochester MN Post 92  
 2004 – manager Mike D'Andrea; coaches Daniel McDuffie and Chris Grant, Portland ME Nova  
 2005 – manager Bill Mayberry; coaches Chris Jensen, Butch Lingenfelter, Enid OK Post 4  
 2006 – manager David Baudry and coaches Brad Benoit and Anthony Longo, Metairie LA Post 175  
 2007 – manager Mickey McKeel and coaches Eddie Allred, Joel Kercado and Chris Ivie, Columbia TN Post 15  
 2008 – manager Chris Sheff and coaches Scott Baker and Gino Campagna, Las Vegas NV Post 76  
 2009 – manager Steven Cronkright, coaches Daniel Cronkright and Patrick Dawson; student coach Max Yatch, Midland MI Post 165  
 2010 – manager Doug Weese, coaches Shane Hawk, Jerry Long and Derek Snell, Midwest City OK  
 2011 – Head Coach Scott Hackett and assistant coaches Mike Halloran and John Buteyn, Eden Prairie MN

2012 – Manager Joe Latino and coaches Jeff Chappuis, Ken Goodlett and Joseph Licciardi, New Orleans LA Post 125.  
 2013 – Head Coach Joe Barth Sr., Associate Head Coach Dennis Barth and coaches Michael Brown, Josh Capskey, Bill Gore, Steve Modile and Mike Rucci, Brooklawn NJ  
 2014 – Head Coach Joe Barth Sr., Associate Head Coach Dennis Barth and coaches Michael Brown, Josh Copskey, Steve Modile and Mike Rucci, Brookland NJ.  
 2015 – Head Coach Daniel Gregory and coaches David Coats, Michael Robertson and Marion Baker, Chapin-Newberry SC.  
 2016 – Manager Dane Peavy and coaches Jonathan Butcher, Steve Goodheart, Jonathan Orr and Reid Peavy, Texarkana AR.  
 2017 – Manager Scott Baker and coaches Tyler Baker, Essex Burton, Shawn Dickson, Jerahmie Libke and Roberto Persona, Henderson NV  
 2018 – Manager Brent Tremi, coaches Stephen Lex, Matt Schubert, Mark Wilhelm, Dane Walter.  
 2019 – Manager Kenneth Alexander, coaches Nathan Byram, Easton Dahlbert and Michael Webster.  
 2020 – No World Series played due to Covid-19  
 2021 – Manager Ryan Alexander and coaches Mike Webster, Thomas Alexander and Bruer Webster  
 2022 – Manager Ross Hixon and coach D.J. Law.

## ALWS All-Tournament Team

The American Legion World Series all-star squad is selected based on game performance during the American Legion World Series games only. The selections are chosen by a committee of knowledgeable officials. The committee watches every game and every pitch and meets daily to discuss the games. The committee meets on championship day early to make recommendations and then during the championship game, the final selections are made. Often, the final choices aren't determined until the final out of the final inning.

### 1995

Bill Lockwood, catcher, Osseo MN; Jason Adaro, first base, Aiea HA; Greg Anderson, second base, Osseo MN; Davey Meguro, third base, Aiea HA; Lon Yamaguchi, shortstop, Aiea HA; Dom Crispo, outfield, Bellevue WA; Larry Lockridge, outfield, Columbia TN; Mike Wirrick, outfield, Bellevue WA; Bobby Morgan, utility, Columbia TN; Matt Erickson, pitcher, Osseo MN; Woody Heath, pitcher, Bellevue WA.

### 1996

Andy Fontenot, catcher, Gonzales LA; Christian Bourgeois, first base, Gonzales LA; Casey Lambert, second base, Gonzales LA; Bryce Gehlen, third base, Vancouver WA; Kevin Quinn, shortstop, Midland MI; Matt Madison, leftfield, Vancouver WA; John Wakely, centerfield, Yardley PA; Kip Harris, rightfield, Midland MI; James Jarreau, designated hitter, Gonzales LA; Travis Goins, utility, Rowan County NC; Ben Sheets, pitcher, Gonzales LA; Andy Hoffman, pitcher, Midland MI.

### 1997

Rick Dorman, catcher, Medford OR; Clyde Williams, first base, Sanford FL; Tim Raines Jr., second base, Sanford FL; Andy Neufeld, shortstop, Sanford FL; Brian Facht, third base, Medford OR; Chris Louwsma, utility player, Sanford FL; Shawn Walker, designated hitter, Medford OR; Nate Philo, outfield, Medford OR; Bob Vanhoorbeck, outfield, Rock Island IL; Paulo Silva, outfield, Sanford FL; Steve Becher, pitcher, Medford OR; Jeff Monaco, pitcher, Sanford FL.

### 1998

B. J. Vesce, catcher, Danville CA; Ryan Lee, first base, Las Vegas NV; Brad Lane, second base, Cherryville NC; Chad Opel, shortstop, Edwardsville IL; Matt Furman, third base, Brooklawn NJ; Justin Alumbaugh, outfield, Danville CA; Ralph Roberts, outfield, Cherryville NC; Dave Crouthers, outfield, Edwardsville IL; Chris Wright, designated hitter, State College PA; Josh Reynolds, utility, Jefferson City MO; James Hutton, pitcher, Edwardsville IL; Ben Hutton, pitcher, Edwardsville IL.

### 1999

Darren Osborne, catcher, Gallatin TN; Brian Paone, first base, New Brighton MN; Billy Schneider, second base, New Brighton MN; Tyrel Davis, third base, Kennewick WA; Andy Kranz, shortstop, Bloomington MN; Peter Wiedewitsch, outfield, New Brighton MN; Travis Lee, outfield, Edmond OK; Joel Keith, outfield, Bloomington MN; Dave Coogan, designated hitter, Kennewick WA; Anthony Aquilino, utility, Brooklawn NJ; Steve Grasley, pitcher, New Brighton MN; Ben Hendrickson, pitcher, Bloomington MN.

### 2000

Tim Gilhooly, catcher, Danville CA; Ryan Lymangrover, first base, Danville CA; Eddie Hannan, second base, Paducah KY; Mark Michael, third base, Brooklawn NJ; Adam Ricks, shortstop, Danville CA; Al Smith, outfield, Omaha NE; Matt Ryan, outfield, Brooklawn NJ; Kevin Flaherty, outfield, Danville CA; Geoffrey Kirksey, designated hitter, Paducah; Mike Rucci, utility, Brooklawn NJ; Matt Brown, pitcher, Danville CA; Mateo Miramontes, pitcher, Danville CA.

### 2001

Mike Rucci, catcher, Brooklawn NJ; Dayton Ries, first base, Midwest City OK; Brendan Winn, second base, Milford MA; Allen Balmer, third base, Lewiston ID; Joe Lamb, shortstop, Brooklawn NJ; John Devaney, outfielder, Danville CA; Joe Pietro, outfielder, Omaha NE; Nate Martin, outfielder, Lewiston ID; Josh O'Dell, designated hitter, Midwest City OK; Nate Schill, utility, Brooklawn NJ; Andrew Noe, pitcher, Brooklawn NJ; Julius Smith, pitcher, Lewiston ID.

### 2002

Spencer Ingaldson, catcher, Rapid City SD; Marcus McKenzie, first base, Excelsior MN; Cody Moser, second base, Rapid City SD; Andy Shepherd, third base, Rapid City SC; Pat Moran, shortstop, Rapid City SD; Josh Sowell, outfielder, Dothan AL; Jeff Engel, outfielder, Excelsior MN; Corey Carter, outfielder, West Point MS; Dustin Snider, designated hitter, West Point MS; Josh Johnson, utility, West Point MS; Jeff Shafer, pitcher, West Point MS; Brent Goble, pitcher, Medford OR.

### 2003

David Wise, catcher, Cherryville NC; Brett Brunner, first base, Corvallis OR; Chris Kunda, Corvallis OR; Justin Grant, third base, Rochester MN; Robert Marcial, shortstop, Northridge CA; Andy Console, outfielder, Haddon Heights NJ; Nathan Bowers, outfielder, Rochester MN; Joey Briggs, outfielder, Corvallis OR; Ted Garry, designated hitter, Rochester MN; Jay Heafner, utility, Cherryville NC; Chris Mason, pitcher, Cherryville NC; Michael Badger, pitcher, Rochester MN; Aaron Craig, pitcher, Rochester MN.

### 2004

Forrest Rice, pitcher, Kennewick WA; Mike Powers, pitcher, Portland ME; Nick Pugliese, pitcher, DeLand FL; Kody Gibson, first base, Edmond OK; Kody Gaiser, second base, Edmond OK; Shane Schoenberg, third base, Kennewick WA; Tommy Cauley, shortstop, DeLand FL; Sean Sloppy, catcher, Kennewick WA; Matt Cotellesse, outfielder, Boyertown PA; Scott Brown, outfielder, Portland ME; Ryan Reid, outfielder, Portland ME; Steve Marquardt, utility, Kennewick WA.

## 2005

Jeremy Stumetz, pitcher, Pasco WA; Matt Peck, pitcher, Enid OK; Michael Tamsin, first base, Branford CT; Adam Tussey, second base, Brooklawn NJ; Joe Bonfe, third base, Woodbury MN; Tyson Seng, shortstop, Enid OK; Schyler Burns, catcher, Enid OK; Kyle Conley, outfielder, Pasco WA; Paul Martin, outfielder, Pasco WA; Zac Berg, outfielder, Enid OK; Tyler Fleming, utility, Enid OK; Tyler Roberts, designated hitter, Twin Cities WA.

## 2006

Robby Broach, pitcher, Metairie LA; Cole Vicars, pitcher, Terre Haute IN; Daniel Gordon, first base, Sumter SC; Kevin Weidenbacher, second base, Metairie LA; Phil Cerreto, third base, Midlothian VA; Taylor Cole, shortstop, Las Vegas NV; Josh Phegley, catcher, Terre Haute IN; Grayson Tanner, outfielder, Sumter SC; Travis Winterspoon, outfielder, Sumter SC; Brady Shoemaker, outfielder, Terre Haute IN; Michael Liberto, utility, Metairie LA; Kirk Cunningham, DH, Metairie LA.

## 2007

Danny Miller, pitcher, Eden Prairie MN; Chris Moody, pitcher, Tucson AZ; Scott Beasley, pitcher, Columbia TN; Aaron Tapia, first base, Tucson AZ; Alan Kennedy, second base, Bellingham WA; Chris Lovett, third base, Columbia TN; Mike Olt, shortstop, Branford CT; Cody Pomeroy, catcher, Columbia TN; J.T. Canakes, outfielder, Eden Prairie MN; Holden Killen, outfielder, Columbia TN; James Balzano, outfielder, Branford CT; Kyle Geason, utility, Eden Prairie MN; Marc Damon, designated hitter, Tucson AZ; MVP – Danny Miller, Eden Prairie MN.

## 2008

Matt Price, pitcher, Sumter SC; Matt Hall, pitcher, Las Vegas NV; Blake Hauser, pitcher, South Richmond VA; Jeff Malm, first base, Las Vegas NV; Brittan Hammer, second base, Pasco WA; Scott Dysinger, third base, Las Vegas NV; Brad Shaban, shortstop, South Richmond VA; Max Garrett, catcher, Pasco WA; Travis Witherspoon, outfield, Sumter SC; Jamison Rowe, outfield, Pasco WA; Thad Thornburg, outfield, Jonesboro AR; Matt Talley, utility, Sumter SC; Sam Key, designated hitter, Sumter SC.

## 2009

Cad Mayle, pitcher, Midland MI; Bradey Shipley, pitcher, Medford OR; Michael Wacha, pitcher, Texarkana TX; Lewis Sebrell, catcher, Medford OR; Trey Holmes, first base, Rowan County NC; Johnny Field, second base, Las Vegas NV; Eric Dawson, third base, Midland MI; Jordan Dean, shortstop, Midland MI; Jake Matuszak, outfield, Berlin CT; Jake Ringold, outfield, Mt. Airy MD; Kendrick Henderson, outfield, Texarkana TX; Matt Maurer, designated hitter, Medford OR; TJ White, utility, Las Vegas NV.

## 2010

Blake Schmit, utility, Eden Prairie MN; Alex Swim, catcher, Kernersville NC; Tanner Hessman, first base, Midwest City OK; Tony Skjefte, second base, Eden Prairie MN; Josh Halbert, third base, Midwest City OK; Jake Hager, shortstop, Las Vegas NV; Cameron Newell, outfield, Roseburg OR; Tim Miller, outfield, Eden Prairie MN; Turner Coon, outfield, Midwest City OK; Vince Amp, designated hitter, Roseburg OR; Brandon Jackson, pitcher, Roseburg OR; Dalton Bernardi, pitcher, Midwest City OK; Keivn Hill, pitcher, Midwest City OK.

## 2011

Alex Rapanos, designated hitter, Midland MI; Erik VanMeetren, catcher, Las Vegas NV; Channing Nanney, utility, Tupelo MS; Tyler Peterson, first base, Eden Prairie MN; Tony Skjefte, second base, Eden Prairie MN; Blake Schmit, shortstop, Eden Prairie MN; TJ White, third base, Las Vegas NV; Dillon

Palencia, outfield, Gaffney SC; AJ VanMeetren, outfield, Las Vegas NV; David Belusky, outfield, Eden Prairie MN; Kaleb Earls, pitcher, Gaffney SC; Will Cox, pitcher, Tupelo MS; Brandon Woodruff, pitcher, Tupelo MS.

## 2012

Emerson Gibbs, pitcher, New Orleans LA; Cody Brown, pitcher, Brooklawn NJ; Brandon Mahovich, pitcher, Bellevue WA; Jimmy Sinatro, catcher, Bellevue WA; Luke Voiron, designated hitter, New Orleans LA; Taylor Elam, first base, Omaha NE; Joe Brooks, second base, Brooklawn NJ; Brent Tenuto, third base, Brooklawn NJ; Tony Fortier-Benson, shortstop, New Orleans LA; Evan Ryan, outfield, Omaha NE; Zach Shields, outfield, Florence SC; Pat Kane, outfield, Brooklawn NJ; Akeem Bostick, utility, Florence SC.

## 2013

Mike Shawaryn, pitcher, Brooklawn NJ; Jimmy Flatt, pitcher, Petaluma CA; Joe O'Donnell, pitcher, Wilmington NC; Austin Nagamine, catcher, Waipahu HI; Weston Bryan, designated hitter, Petaluma CA; Anthony Harrold, first base, Brooklawn NJ; Robbie Podrosky, second base, Gonzales LA; Nick Cieri, third base, Brooklawn NJ; Steven Linkous, shortstop, Wilmington NC; Ryan Walsh, outfield, Petaluma CA; Tanner Tokunaga, Waipahu HI; Collin Delaune, outfield, Gonzales LA.

## 2014

Tyler Modile, pitcher, Brooklawn NJ; Eric Schorr, pitcher, Brooklawn NJ; Evan Marquardt, pitcher, Midland MI; Anthony Harrold, first base, Brooklawn NJ; Sean Breen, second base, Brooklawn NJ; Tanner Gross, third base, Midland MI; Matt Waldron, shortstop, Omaha NE; Kamalu Neal, catcher, Waipahu HI; Kyle Pausche, designated hitter, Jacksonville FL; Jonathon Hentschel, utility, Midland MI; Tanner Tokunaga, outfield, Waipahu HI; Pete Farlow, outfield, Brooklawn NJ; Adam Fitzgibbon, outfield, Brooklawn NJ.

## 2015

Anthony Harrold, first base, Brooklawn NJ; Peyton Spangler, second base, Chapin-Newberry SC; Hayden Fuentes, third base, New Orleans LA; Justin Hawkins, shortstop, Chapin-Newberry SC; Keke Rios, catcher, Waipahu HI; Micah Brown, utility, Medford OR; Ben Hess, designated hitter, New Orleans LA; Cole Brooks, outfield, Midland MI; Danton Hyman, outfield, Chapin-Newberry SC; Dyland Sugimoto, outfield, Waipahu HI; Cody Coggins, pitcher, Medford OR; Lucas Rollins, pitcher, Brooklawn NJ; Ryne Huggins, pitcher, Chapin-Newberry SC.

## 2016

Knick Knecht, first base, San Mateo CA; Tanner File, second base, Rowan County NC; Juan Garcia, third base, Rowan County NC; Zach Luckey, shortstop, Omaha NE; Will Smith, catcher, Texarkana AR; Felix Aberouette, utility, San Mateo CA; Jakob Shuler, utility, Rockport IN; Chris Wright, Cumberland RI, designated hitter; Tyler Villaroman, outfield, San Mateo CA; Blake Hall, outfield, Texarkana AR; Lee Poteat, outfield, Rowan County NC; Hunter Shepherd, pitcher, Rowan County NC; Austin Cross, pitcher, Texarkana AR; Sawyer Strickland, pitcher, Rowan County NC.

## 2017

Zach Luckey, designated hitter, Omaha NE; Jordan Patty, utility/athlete, Midland MI; Roger Riley, catcher, Henderson NV; Jack Thomas Wold, first base, Henderson NV; Peyton Williams, second base, Randolph County NC; Tom Steier, third base, Omaha NE; Will Karp, shortstop, Hopewell NJ; Will Hanafan, outfield, Omaha NE; Logan Allen, outfield, Bryant AR; AJ Light, outfield, Lewiston ID; Matt Sansky, Shrewsbury MA; Josh Culiver, pitcher, Omaha NE; Shance Spencer, pitcher, Henderson NV.



## 2018

Jack Merrifield, first base, Gonzales LA; Brayden Caskey, second base, Gonzales LA; Edarian Williams, third base, Las Vegas NV; Nate Thomas, shortstop, Wilmington DE; Parker Schmidt, catcher, Las Vegas NV; Sam Link, utility/athlete, Dubuque County IA; Eric Ludman, designated hitter, Wilmington DE; Austin Colmery, outfield, Wilmington DE; Jason Sharman, outfield, Las Vegas NV; Trevor Marsh, outfield, Randolph County NC; Jimmy Gamboa, pitcher, Las Vegas NV; Sam Goodman, pitcher, Dubuque County IA

## 2019

Blake Anderson, first base, Fargo ND; Bruer Webster, second base, Idaho Falls ID; Alex Cortez, shortstop, Idaho Falls ID; Ron Franklin, third base, Destrehan LA; Chandler Ibach, catcher, Fargo ND; Zach Kluvers, utility/athlete, Fargo ND; Zach Sandy, designated hitter, Fargo ND; Trevor Marsh, outfield, Randolph County NC; Andrew Gregerson, outfield, Idaho Falls ID; Kolby Bourgeois, outfield, Destrehan LA; Caden Christenson, pitcher, Idaho Falls ID; Stephen Klein, pitcher, Destrehan LA; Taylor Parrett, pitcher, Fargo ND

## 2020

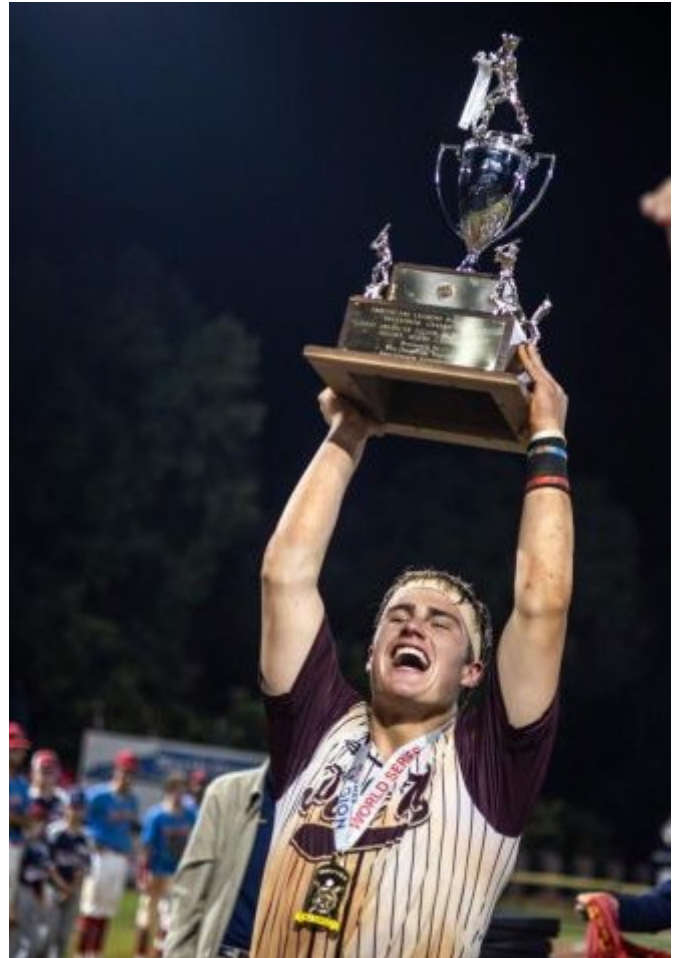
No ALWS due to Covid-19 cancellation.

## 2021

Tate Gustafson, catcher, Fargo ND; Shawn Camron, first base, Ridge MD; Ty Yukumoto, second base, Honolulu HI; Mac Jephson, third base, Idaho Falls ID; Nate Rose, shortstop, Idaho Falls ID; William Foglietta, designated hitter, Beverly MA; Noah Foster, utility, Tupelo MS; Ky Howell, outfield, Idaho Falls ID; Brennan Frost, outfield, Beverly MA; Demetri Jamison, outfield, Beverly MD; David Oswalt, pitcher, Tupelo MS; Merit Jones, pitcher, Idaho Falls ID; Josh Aribal, pitcher, Honolulu HI.

## 2022

Jack Bakus, first base, Midland MI; Tanner Taylor, second base, Troy AL; Jamari Harris, third base, Camden SC; Zack Parker, shortstop, Midland MI; R.J Books, catcher, Idaho Falls ID; Elliott Peterson, utility/athlete, Omaha NE; Brooks Bryan, designated hitter, Troy AL; Cooper Newell, outfield, Chesapeake VA; Brandon Gibbs, outfield, Camden SC; Elliot Jones, outfield, Idaho Falls ID; Douglas Johnson, pitcher, Troy AL; Dax Whitley, pitcher, Idaho Falls ID; David Siciliano, Shrewsbury MA.





# The Championship Game

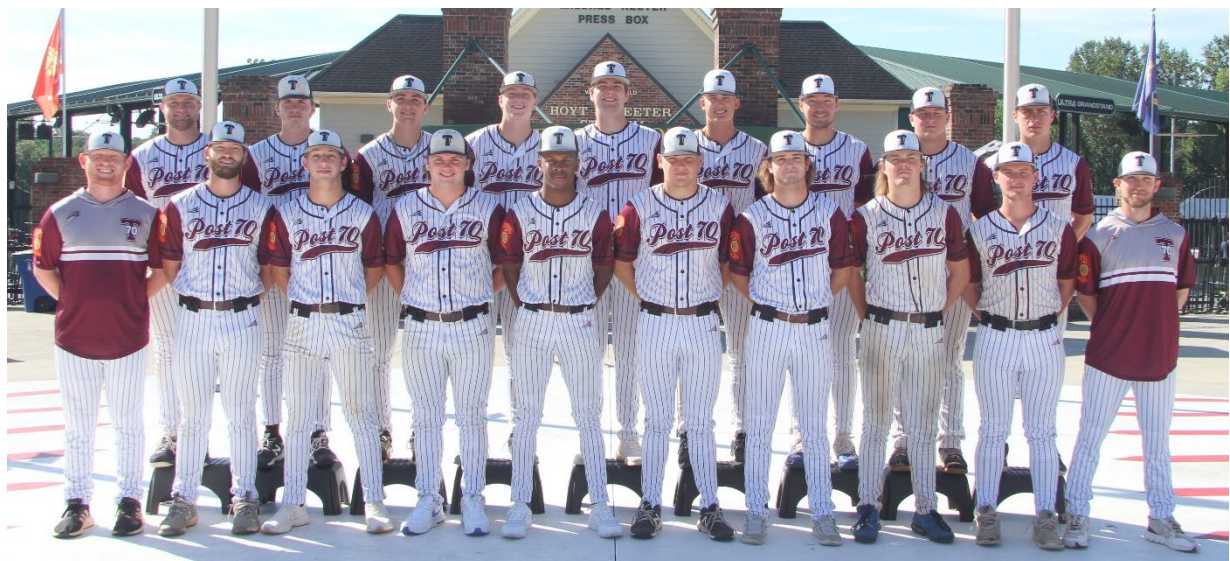
Year	Site	Champion	Runner-up	Score	Attendance
1926	Philadelphia PA	Yonkers NY Post 321	Pocatello ID	23-6	3,000
1928	Chicago IL	Oakland CA Post 5	Worcester MA Post 5	12-2	3,500
1929	Louisville KY	Buffalo NY Post 721	New Orleans LA	11-4	3,085
1930	Memphis TN	Baltimore MD Post 81	New Orleans LA	10-4	3,152
1931	Houston TX	South Chicago IL Post 493	Columbia SC Post 6	1-0 (14)	2,100
1932	Manchester NH	New Orleans LA Post 132	Springfield MA	5-3 (10)	6,550
1933	New Orleans LA	Chicago IL Post 467	Trenton NJ	7-6	5,000
1934	Chicago IL	Cumberland MD Post 13	New Orleans LA	6-1	4,500
1935	Gastonia NC	Gastonia NC Post 23	Sacramento CA	12-8	13,000
1936	Spartanburg SC	Spartanburg SC Post 28	Los Angeles CA	8-1	20,000
1937	New Orleans LA	East Lynn MA Post 291	New Orleans LA	13-5	8,438
1938	Spartanburg SC	San Diego CA Post 6	Spartanburg SC Post 28	4-1	9,000
1939	Omaha NE	Omaha NE Post 1	Berwyn IL	6-2	12,800
1940	Albermarle NC	Albermarle NC Post 76	San Diego CA	9-8	13,500
1941	San Diego CA	San Diego CA Post 6	Berwyn IL	5-3	3,010
1942	Manchester NH	Los Angeles CA Post 357	Manchester NH Post 2	3-0	7,100
1943	Miles City MT	Richfield MN Post 435	Springfield OH	3-2	4,000
1944	Minneapolis MN	Cincinnati OH Post 50	Albermarle NC	3-2	7,103
1945	Charlotte NC	Shelby NC Post 82	Trenton NJ	4-2	10,250
1946	Charleston SC	New Orleans LA Post 125	Trenton NJ	3-1	4,355
1947	Los Angeles CA	Cincinnati OH Post 50	Little Rock AR Post 1	3-2	5,175
1948	Indianapolis IN	Trenton NJ Post 93	Jacksonville FL Post 9	4-1	5,000
1949	Omaha NE	Oakland CA Post 337	Cincinnati OH Post 507	8-6	11,168
1950	Omaha NE	Oakland CA Post 337	St. Louis MO Post 245	11-0	9,162
1951	Detroit MI	Los Angeles CA Post 715	White Plains NY Post 135	11-7	4,135
1952	Denver CO	Cincinnati OH Post 50	San Diego CA Post 364	5-2	4,565
1953	Miami FL	Yakima WA Post 36	Winnetka IL Post 10	4-1	4,044
1954	Yakima WA	San Diego CA Post 492	Gastonia NC Post 23	7-2	7,142
1955	St. Paul MN	Cincinnati OH Post 216	Washington DC Post 31	10-4	2,750
1956	Bismarck ND	St. Louis MO Post 245	New Orleans LA Post 345	8-3	3,500
1957	Billings MT	Cincinnati OH Post 50	Portland OR Post 102	10-6	4,963
1958	Colorado Springs CO	Cincinnati OH Post 50	Everett MA Post 176	12-1	1,700
1959	Hastings NE	Detroit MI Post 187	Hampton VA Post 48	11-4	3,700
1960	Hastings NE	New Orleans LA Post 125	Billings MT Post 4	9-3	3,478
1961	Hastings NE	Phoenix AZ Post 1	Cincinnati OH Post 554	4-1	2,036
1962	Bismarck ND	St. Louis MO Post 299	Honolulu HI Post 11	9-6	3,614
1963	Keene NH	Long Beach CA Post 27	Memphis TN Post 1	5-4	3,800
1964	Little Rock AR	Upland CA Post 73	Charlotte NC Post 9	3-1	2,250
1965	Aberdeen SD	Charlotte NC Post 9	Omaha NE Post 1	2-1	3,170
1966	Orangeburg SC	Oakland CA Post 337	Tuscaloosa AL Post 34	4-1	1,800
1967	Memphis TN	Tuscaloosa AL Post 34	Northbrook IL Post 791	1-0	2,769
1968	Manchester NH	Memphis TN Post 1	Klamath Falls OR Post 8	4-3	2,350
1969	Hastings NE	Portland OR Post 105	Towson MD Post 22	4-0	2,755
1970	Klamath Falls OR	West Covina CA Post 790	Levittown PA	10-0	3,111
1971	Tucson AZ	West Covina CA Post 790	Cedar Rapids IA Post 5	16-1	2,600
1972	Memphis TN	Ballwin MO Post 611	Memphis TN Post 1	4-3	3,852
1973	Lewiston ID	Rio Piedras PR Post 146	Memphis TN Post 1	10-6 (10)	4,437
1974	Roseburg OR	Rio Piedras PR Post 146	Lake Oswego OR Post 92	4-3	5,194
1975	Rapid City SD	Yakima WA Post 36	Cedar Rapids IA Post 5	8-4	3,649
1976	Manchester NH	Santa Monica CA Post 123	Des Plaines IL Post 36	7-6	3,646
1977	Manchester NH	South Bend IN Post 50	Hattiesburg MS Post 78	3-1	3,912
1978	Yakima WA	Hialeah FL Post 32	East Springfield MA Post 420	7-4	2,352
1979	Greenville MS	Yakima WA Post 36	Barrington RI Post 8	13-6	2,100
1980	Ely MN	Honolulu HI	Boyertown PA Post 471	5-4	1,980
1981	Sumter SC	West Tampa FL Post 248	Richmond VA Post 361	6-5	2,125
1982	Boyertown PA	Boyertown PA Post 471	Lafayette CA Post 517	14-8	6,563
1983	Fargo ND	Edina MN Post 471	Boyertown PA Post 471	5-4	3,761
1984	New Orleans LA	Guaynabo PR Post 134	Brooklawn NJ Post 72	7-6	524
1985	Kokomo IN	Midlothian VA Post 186	Sacramento CA	3-2	1,695
1986	Rapid City SD	Jensen Beach FL Post 126	Las Vegas NV Post 8	8-2	1,988
1987	Stevens Point WI	Boyertown PA Post 471	Vancouver WA Post 176	12-6	1,344
1988	Middletown CT	Cincinnati OH Post 507	Boyertown PA Post 471	7-0	3,759

Year	Site	Champion	Runner-up	Score	Attendance
1989	Millington TN	Woodland Hills CA Post 826	Guaynabo PR Post 134	11-5	561
1990	Corvallis OR	Mayo MD Post 226	Bayamon PR Post 48	7-6	3,626
1991	Boyertown PA	Brooklawn NJ Post 72	Newark OH Post 85	5-3	3,752
1992	Fargo ND	Newbury Park CA	Arlington Heights IL Post 208	10-0	2,545
1993	Roseburg OR	Rapid City SD Post 22	Las Vegas NV Post 8	7-4	4,790
1994	Boyertown PA	Miami FL Post 346	Chino CA Post 299	9-0	2,639
1995	Fargo ND	Aiea HI	Bellevue WA	2-0	3,546
1996	Roseburg OR	Yardley PA Post 317	Gonzales LA Post 81	6-3	4,089
1997	Rapid City SD	Sanford FL Post 53	Medford OR Post 15	11-8 (7)	2,651
1998	Las Vegas NV	Edwardsville IL Post 199	Cherryville NC Post 100	9-4	2,562
1999	Middletown CT	New Brighton MN Post 513	Kennewick WA Post 34	11-5	2,691
2000	Alton IL	Danville CA Post 246	Paducah KY Post 31	2-1	3,225
2001	Yakima WA	Brooklawn NJ Post 72	Lewiston ID Post 13	5-2	2,688
2002	Danville VA	West Point MS Post 212	Excelsior MN Post 259	4-0	1,715
2003	Bartlesville OK	Rochester MN Post 92	Cherryville NC Post 100	5-2	2,990
2004	Corvallis OR	Portland ME Nova	Kennewick WA Post 34	2-0	1,339
2005	Rapid City SD	Enid OK Post 4	Pasco (Twin Cities) WA Post 34	7-6	3,116
2006	Cedar Rapids IA	Metairie LA Post 175	Terre Haute IN Post 346	6-4	1,988
2007	Bartlesville OK	Columbia TN Post 19	Eden Prairie MN	11-4	2,951
2008	Shelby NC	Las Vegas NV Post 76	Pasco (Twin Cities) WA Post 34	5-1	3,090
2009	Fargo ND	Midland MI Post 165	Medford OR Post 15	11-4	1,867
2010	Spokane WA	Midwest City OK Outlaws	Eden Prairie MN	10-1	1,200
2011	Shelby NC	Eden Prairie MN	Tupelo MS Post 49	5-4 (13)	5,896
2012	Shelby NC	New Orleans LA Post 125	Brooklawn NP Post 72	4-0	5,468
2013	Shelby NC	Brooklawn NJ Post 72	Petaluma CA	10-0 (7)	6,836
2014	Shelby NC	Brooklawn NJ Post 72	Midland MI Post 165	18-0 (7)	7,907
2015	Shelby NC	Chapin-Newberry SC	New Orleans LA	9-2	8,826
2016	Shelby NC	Texarkana AR	Rowan County NC	8-6 (12)	8,496
2017	Shelby NC	Henderson NV Post 40	Omaha NE Post 1	2-1	8,324
2018	Shelby NC	Wilmington DE Post 1	Las Vegas NV Post 40	1-0 (8**)	8,350
2019	Shelby NC	Idaho Falls ID Post 56	Fargo ND Post 2	5-3	7,451
2020	Shelby NC	No tournament held due to Covid-19			
2021	Shelby NC	Idaho Falls ID Post 56	Honolulu HI	6-1	7,752
2022	Shelby NC	Troy AL Post 70	Idaho Falls ID Post 56	6-5	8,287

Note: (# indicates innings of game)

\*\* beginning in 2018, all World Series games scheduled for seven innings.

## 2022 American Legion World Series Champions Troy AL Post 70



# Regional Champions

## REGION ONE

1960 Pittsfield MA  
1961 West Hartford CT  
1962 Somerville MA  
1963 Somerville MA  
1964 Manchester NH  
1965 Berlin NH  
1966 Manchester NH  
1967 Manchester NH  
1968 Springfield MA  
1969 Naugatuck CT  
1970 Manchester NH  
1971 Warwick RI  
1972 North Haven CT  
1973 West Hartford CT  
1974 Bristol CT(vacated)  
1975 West Quincy MA  
1976 Warwick RI  
1977 Trumbull CT  
1978 E. Springfield MA  
1979 Barrington RI  
1980 Warwick RI  
1981 Meriden CT  
1982 Manchester NH  
1983 Natick MA  
1984 Bristol CT  
1985 New London CT  
1986 New London CT  
1987 Norwood MA  
1988 Kingston NY  
1989 Braintree MA  
1990 Rockland Co. NY  
1991 East Hartford CT  
1992 Medford MA  
1993 New Bedford MA  
1994 Brooklawn NJ  
1995 Portland ME  
**1996 Yardley PA**  
1997 Bristol CT  
1998 State College PA  
1999 Portland ME  
2000 Hamilton Square NJ  
2001 Milford MA  
2002 Manchester NH  
2003 West Deptford NJ  
**2004 Portland ME**  
2005 Branford CT  
2006 Milton MA  
2007 Branford CT  
2008 Bristol CT  
2009 Berlin CT  
2010 Branford CT  
2011 Bedford NH  
2012 Milford CT  
2013 Branford CT  
2014 Cromwell CT  
2015 Cromwell CT  
2016 Cumberland RI  
2017 Shrewsbury MA  
2018 Braintree MA  
2019 Shrewsbury MA  
2021 Beverly MA  
2022 Shrewsbury MA

## REGION TWO

1960 Brooklawn NJ  
1961 Brooklawn NJ  
1962 Buffalo NY  
1963 Washington DC  
1964 Staten Island NY  
1965 Lyndhurst NJ  
1966 Washington DC  
1967 Wilmngtn Mnr DE  
1968 Staten Island NY  
1969 Towson MD  
1970 New Castle DE  
1971 Lyndhurst NJ  
1972 Norfolk VA  
1973 Richmond VA  
1974 Cheverly MD  
1975 Cheverly MD  
1976 Wimgntn Mnor DE  
1977 Boyertown PA  
1978 Caldwell NJ  
1979 Shaler PA  
1980 Boyertown PA  
1981 Richmond VA  
**1982 Boyertown PA**  
1983 Boyertown PA  
1984 Brooklawn NJ  
**1985 Midlothian VA**  
1986 Boyertown PA  
**1987 Boyertown PA**  
1988 Boyertown PA  
1989 Glen Allen VA  
**1990 Mayo MD**  
**1991 Brooklawn NJ**  
1992 Brooklawn NJ  
1993 Rockland Co. NY  
1994 Bedford VA  
1995 Waldorf MD  
1996 Rockland Co. NY  
1997 Severna Park MD  
1998 Brooklawn NJ  
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2002 Rockland Co. NY  
2003 Haddon Heights NJ  
2004 Boyertown PA  
2005 Brooklawn NJ  
2006 Midlothian VA  
2007 Boyertown PA  
2008 South Richmond VA  
2009 Mt. Airy MD  
2010 Chesapeake VA  
2011 Brooklawn NJ  
2012 Brooklawn NJ  
**2013 Brooklawn NJ**  
**2014 Brooklawn NJ**  
2015 Brooklawn NJ  
2016 Leesburg VA  
2017 Hopewell NJ  
**2018 Wilmington DE**  
2019 Randolph Co. NC  
2021 Ridge MD  
2022 Chesapeake VA

## REGION THREE

1960 Miami FL  
1961 Colonial Hghts VA  
1962 Hampton VA  
1963 Greensboro NC  
1964 Charlotte NC  
**1965 Charlotte NC**  
1966 Tuscaloosa AL  
**1967 Tuscaloosa AL**  
1968 Timmons ville SC  
1969 W. Palm Beach FL  
1970 Wilmington NC  
1971 Congaree SC  
1972 Rio Piedras PR  
**1973 Rio Piedras PR**  
**1974 Rio Piedras PR**  
1975 San Juan PR  
1976 Manati PR  
1977 W. Palm Beach FL  
**1978 Hialeah FL**  
1979 Gainesville GA  
1980 Hialeah FL  
**1981 West Tampa FL**  
1982 Starkville MS  
1983 Hamlet NC  
**1984 Guaynabo PR**  
1985 Guaynabo PR  
**1986 Jensen Beach FL**  
1987 West Tampa FL  
1988 W. Palm Beach FL  
1989 Guaynabo PR  
1990 Bayamon PR  
1991 Sarasota FL  
1992 Guaynabo PR  
1993 Miami FL  
**1994 Miami FL**  
1995 Columbia TN  
1996 Rowan County NC  
**1997 Sanford FL**  
1998 Cherryville NC  
1999 Gallatin TN  
2000 Columbia SC  
2001 Albany GA  
2002 Dothan AL  
2003 Cherryville NC  
2004 DeLand FL  
2005 Dothan AL  
2006 Sumter SC  
**2007 Columbia TN**  
2008 Sumter SC  
2009 Rowan County NC  
2010 Kernersville NC  
2011 Gaffney SC  
2012 Florence SC  
2013 Wilmington NC  
2014 Jacksonville FL  
**2015 Chapin-Newberry SC**  
2016 Rowan County NC  
2017 Randolph County NC  
2018 Randolph County NC  
2019 Destrehan LA  
2021 Tupelo MS  
2022 Camden SC

## REGION FOUR

**1960 New Orleans LA**  
1961 Jackson MS  
1962 New Orleans LA  
1963 Memphis TN  
1964 New Orleans LA  
1965 Memphis TN  
1966 Nashville TN  
1967 Memphis TN  
**1968 Memphis TN**  
1969 Bartlesville OK  
1970 Tulsa OK  
1971 Greenville MS  
1972 Memphis TN  
1973 Memphis TN  
1974 Metairie LA  
1975 Jackson MS  
1976 Metairie LA  
1977 Hattiesburg MS  
1978 South Houston TX  
1979 Tulsa OK  
1980 New Orleans LA  
1981 Tulsa OK  
1982 Richmond KY  
1983 New Orleans LA  
1984 Millington TN  
1985 Woodward OK  
1986 Lake Charles LA  
1987 Midwest City OK  
1988 Gonzales LA  
1989 Gonzales LA  
1990 Texarkana AR  
1991 Gonzales LA  
1992 Gonzales LA  
1993 Norman OK  
1994 Russellville AR  
1995 Starkville MS  
1996 Gonzales LA  
1997 Tulsa OK  
1998 Jefferson City MO  
1999 Edmond OK  
2000 Texas City TX  
2001 Midwest City OK  
**2002 West Point MS**  
2003 Blue Springs MO  
2004 Edmond OK  
**2005 Enid OK**  
**2006 Metairie LA**  
2007 Bryant AR  
2008 Jonesboro AR  
2009 Texarkana TX  
**2010 Midwest City OK**  
2011 Tupelo MS  
**2012 New Orleans LA**  
2013 Gonzales LA  
2014 Columbia TN  
2015 New Orelans LA  
**2016 Texarkana AR**  
2017 Bryant AR  
2018 Gonzales LA  
2019 Festus MO  
2021 Dubuque Co IA  
**2022 Troy AL**

**REGION FIVE**

1960 Berwyn IL  
 1961 Cincinnati OH  
**1962 St. Louis MO**  
 1963 Evansville IN  
 1964 Detroit MI  
 1965 Arlington Hts. IL  
 1966 Northbrook IL  
 1967 Northbrook IL  
 1968 South Bend IN  
 1969 Cincinnati OH  
 1970 Levittown PA  
 1971 Lincoln Park MI  
 1972 Findlay OH  
 1973 Cincinnati OH  
 1974 Rockport IN  
 1975 Worthington OH  
 1976 Des Plaines IL  
**1977 South Bend IN**  
 1978 Allen Park MI  
 1979 Barrington IL  
 1980 Waukegan IL  
 1981 Owensboro KY  
 1982 Kokomo IN  
 1983 Worthington OH  
 1984 Rockport IN  
 1985 New Ulm MN  
 1986 Maynard OH  
 1987 Cincinnati OH  
**1988 Cincinnati OH**  
 1989 Janesville WI  
 1990 Midland MI  
 1991 Newark OH  
 1992 Arlington Hts. IL  
 1993 Osseo MN  
 1994 Blissfield MI  
 1995 Osseo MN  
 1996 Midland MI  
 1997 Rock Island IL  
**1998 Edwardsville IL**  
 1999 Bloomington MN  
 2000 Paducah KY  
 2001 Napoleon OH  
 2002 Excelsior MN  
 2003 Whitehouse OH  
 2004 Paducah KY  
 2005 Woodbury MN  
 2006 Terre Haute IN  
 2007 Rockport IN  
 2008 Midland MI  
**2009 Midland MI**  
 2010 Moline IL  
 2011 Midland MI  
 2012 Moline IL  
 2013 Napoleon OH  
 2014 Midland MI  
 2015 Midland MI  
 2016 Rockport IN  
 2017 Midland MI  
 2018 Midland MI  
 2019 Danville IL  
 2021 Midland MI  
 2022 Midland MI

**REGION SIX**

1960 Hastings NE  
 1961 Omaha NE  
 1962 West Allis WI  
 1963 Omaha NE  
 1964 Waterloo IA  
 1965 Omaha NE  
 1966 Enid OK  
 1967 Grand Forks ND  
 1968 Omaha NE  
 1969 Fargo ND  
 1970 Omaha NE  
 1971 Cedar Rapids IA  
**1972 Ballwin MO**  
 1973 Richfield MN  
 1974 Cedar Rapids IA  
 1975 Cedar Rapids IA  
 1976 Cedar Rapids IA  
 1977 Rapid City SD  
 1978 New Ulm MN  
 1979 Rapid City SD  
 1980 Crestwood MO  
 1981 Omaha NE  
 1982 Edina MN  
**1983 Edina MN**  
 1984 Rapid City SD  
 1985 Omaha NE  
 1986 Cedar Rapids IA  
 1987 Quincy IL  
 1988 Moorhead MN  
 1989 Fargo ND  
 1990 Olathe KN  
 1991 Kansas City KN  
 1992 Fargo ND  
**1993 Rapid City SD**  
 1994 Omaha NE  
 1995 Rapid City SD  
 1996 Rapid City SD  
 1997 New Brighton MN  
 1998 Excelsior MN  
**1999 New Brighton MN**  
 2000 Omaha NE  
 2001 Omaha NE  
**2003 Rochester MN**  
 2004 Eden Prairie MN  
 2005 Rapid City SD  
 2006 Lawrence KS  
 2007 Eden Prairie MN  
 2008 Omaha NE  
 2009 Festus MO  
 2010 Eden Prairie MN  
**2011 Eden Prairie MN**  
 2012 Omaha NE  
 2013 Burnsville MN  
 2014 Omaha NE  
 2015 Omaha NE  
 2016 Omaha NE  
 2017 Omaha NE  
 2018 Dubuque Co. IA  
 2019 Fargo ND  
 2021 Fargo ND  
 2022 Omaha NE

**REGION SEVEN**

1960 Billings MT  
 1961 Billings MT  
 1962 Billings MT  
 1963 Roseburg OR  
 1964 Lewiston ID  
 1965 Portland OR  
 1966 Lewiston ID  
 1967 Klamath Falls OR  
 1968 Klamath Falls OR  
 1969 Colo. Springs CO  
 1970 Phoenix AZ  
 1971 Phoenix AZ  
 1972 Lewiston ID  
 1973 Portland OR  
 1974 Lake Oswego OR  
**1975 Yakima WA**  
 1976 Yakima WA  
 1977 Lewiston ID  
 1978 Corvallis OR  
**1979 Yakima WA**  
**1980 Honolulu HI**  
 1981 Bellevue WA  
 1982 Lafayette CA  
 1983 Chico CA  
 1984 Roseburg OR  
 1985 Sacramento CA  
 1986 El Segundo CA  
 1987 Vancouver WA  
 1988 Yakima WA  
**1989 Wdland Hills CA**  
 1990 Corvallis OR  
 1991 Union City CA  
 1992 Medford OR  
 1993 Fairfield CA  
 1994 Salem OR  
 1995 Bellevue WA  
 1996 Vancouver WA  
 1997 Medford OR  
 1998 Danville CA  
 1999 Kennewick WA  
**2000 Danville CA**  
 2001 Lewiston ID  
 2002 Medford OR  
 2003 Corvallis OR  
 2004 Kennewick WA  
 2005 Pasco WA  
 2006 Lincoln NE  
 2007 Bellingham WA  
 2008 Pasco WA  
 2009 Medford OR  
 2010 Roseburg OR  
 2011 Waipahu HI  
 2012 Bellevue WA  
 2013 Waipahu HI  
 2014 Waipahu HI  
 2015 Medford OR  
 2016 Kennewick WA  
 2017 Lewiston ID  
 2018 Meridian ID  
**2019 Idaho Falls ID**  
**2021 Idaho Falls ID**  
 2022 Idaho Falls ID

**REGION EIGHT**

1960 Klamath Falls OR  
**1961 Phoenix AZ**  
 1962 Honolulu HI  
**1963 Long Beach CA**  
**1964 Upland CA**  
 1965 Ontario CA  
**1966 Oakland CA**  
 1967 Denver CO  
 1968 Tucson AZ  
**1969 Portland OR**  
**1970 West Covina CA**  
**1971 West Covina CA**  
 1972 El Cerrito CA  
 1973 San Fernando CA  
 1974 Campbell CA  
 1975 Fullerton CA  
**1976 Santa Monica CA**  
 1977 Santa Monica CA  
 1978 Santa Monica CA  
 1979 Norwalk CA  
 1980 Palo Alto CA  
 1981 Sacramento CA  
 1982 Grand Junction CO  
 1983 San Mateo CA  
 1984 Las Vegas NV  
 1985 West Covina CA  
 1986 Las Vegas NV  
 1987 Boulder CO  
 1988 Boulder CO  
 1989 Fullerton CA  
 1990 Kailua HI  
 1991 Escondido CA  
**1992 Newbury Park CA**  
 1993 Las Vegas NV  
 1994 Chino CA  
**1995 Aiea HI**  
 1996 Sandy UT  
 1997 Fairfield CA  
 1998 Las Vegas NV  
 1999 Chatsworth CA  
 2000 Taylorsville UT  
 2001 Danville CA  
 2002 Las Vegas NV  
 2003 Northridge CA  
 2004 Boulder CO  
 2005 Las Vegas NV  
 2006 Las Vegas NV  
 2007 Tucson AZ  
**2008 Las Vegas NV**  
 2009 Las Vegas NV  
 2010 Las Vegas NV  
 2011 Las Vegas NV  
 2012 Lakewood CA  
 2013 Petaluma CA  
 2014 Chico CA  
 2015 Waipahu HI  
 2016 San Mateo CA  
 2017 Henderson NV  
 2018 Las Vegas NV  
 2019 Albuquerque NM  
 2021 Honolulu HI  
 2022 League City TX

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 Champions**



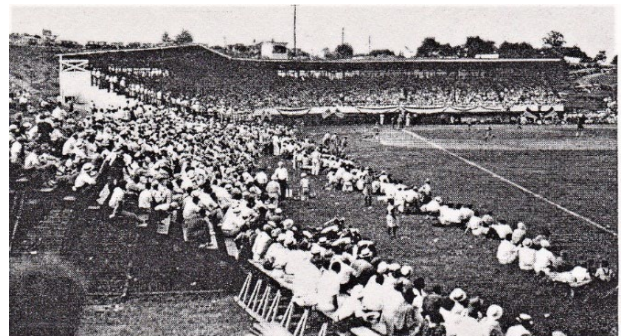
# Sectional Champions

1926 - Pocatello ID, El Dorado KN (W), Springfield OH, **Yonkers NY (E)**.  
 1928 - **Oakland CA (W)**, Worcester MA (E).  
 1929 - New Orleans LA (W), **Buffalo NY (E)**.  
 1930 - New Orleans LA (W), **Baltimore MD (E)**.  
 1931 - **South Chicago IL (W)**, Columbia SC (E).  
 1932 - **New Orleans LA (W)**, Springfield MA (E).  
 1933 - **Chicago IL (W)**, Trenton NJ (E).  
 1934 - New Orleans (W), **Cumberland MD (E)**.  
 1935 - Sacramento CA (W), **Gastonia NC (E)**.  
 1936 - Los Angeles CA (W), Manchester NH (NE), **Spartanburg SC (SE)**.  
 1937 - Omaha NE (W), **East Lynn MA (NE)**, New Orleans LA (SE).  
 1938 - **San Diego CA (W)**, Detroit MI (NE), Spartanburg SC (SE).  
 1939 - **Omaha NE (W)**, Passaic NJ (NE), Berwyn IL (SE).  
 1940 - San Diego (W), **Albermarle NC (NE)**, St. Louis SE).  
 1941 - **San Diego CA (W)**, Flint MI (NE), Berwyn IL (SE).  
 1942 - St. Louis MO (NW), **Los Angeles CA (SW)**, Manchester NH (NE).  
 1943 - **Richfield MN (NW)**, New Orleans LA (SW), Flint MI (NE), Springfield OH, Whiteville NC (SE).  
 1944 - **Cincinnati OH (NW)**, Tucson AZ (SW), Brockton MA (NE), Albermarle NC (SE).  
 1945 - Oak Park IL (NW), Tucson AZ (SW), Trenton NJ (NE), **Shelby NC (SE)**.  
 1946 - Trenton NJ (A), **New Orleans LA (B)**, Cincinnati OH (C), Los Angeles CA (D).  
 1947 - Manchester NH (A), Little Rock AR (B), **Cincinnati OH (C)**, San Diego CA (D).  
 1948 - **Trenton NJ (A)**, Jacksonville (B), Belleville IL (C), Omaha NE (D).  
 1949 - Wheeling WV (A), Atlanta GA (B), Cincinnati OH (C), **Oakland CA (D)**.

1950 - Bristol RI (A), Richmond VA (B), St. Louis MO (C), **Oakland CA (D)**.  
 1951 - White Plains NY (A), Jacksonville FL (B), Cincinnati OH (C), **Los Angeles (D)**.  
 1952 - Millford MA (A), Austin TX (B), **Cincinnati OH (C)**, San Diego CA (D).  
 1953 - Millford WA (A), Cherryville NC (B), Winnetka IL (C), **Yakima WA (D)**.  
 1954 - Baltimore MD (A), Gastonia NC (B), Maplewood MN (C), **San Diego CA (D)**.  
 1955 - Washington DC (A), Salisbury NC (B), **Cincinnati OH (C)**, Lincoln NE (D).  
 1956 - Yonkers NY (A), New Orleans LA (B), **St. Louis MO (C)**, Roseburg OR (D).  
 1957 - Washington DC (A), Greer SC (B), **Cincinnati OH (C)**, Portland OR (D).  
 1958 - Everett MA (A), Greenwood SC (B), **Cincinnati OH (C)**, Billings MT (D).  
 1959 - West Hartford CT (A), Hampton VA (B), **Detroit MI (C)**, Phoenix AZ (D).

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## Scenes from Yesteryear...







# American Legion Baseball + MLB success = Baseball Hall of Fame

The list just keeps growing for American Legion baseball alumni in the Baseball Hall of Fame.

Scott Rolen and Fred McGriff are the newest to be inducted into the Hall in July in Cooperstown, home of the Baseball Hall of Fame.

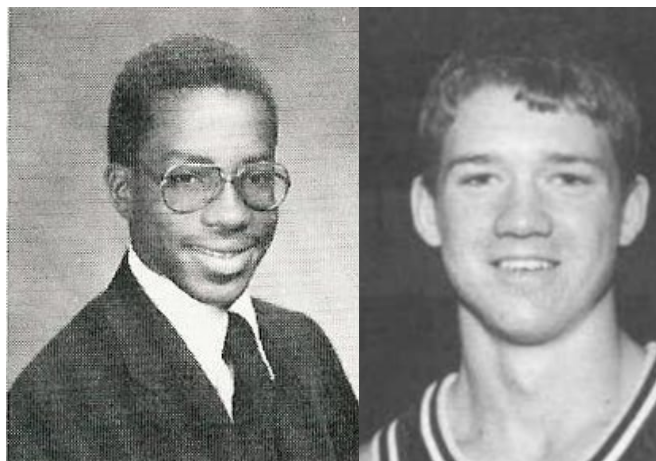
Rolen was chosen by the BBWA receiving 297 votes or 76.3 percent while McGriff was selected in all 16 ballots on the Contemporary Baseball Era Players Committee.

Both had very impressive MLB careers.

Rolen was tabbed Rookie of the Year and played 17 seasons mostly with the Phillies and Cardinals. His position was the hot corner, third base and he played it well. He hit 316 home runs with a .281 average and 1,287 rbi. He was a seven time All-Star and led the Cardinals to the 2006 World Series title hitting .421.

McGriff played 19 seasons mostly with Toronto, Atlanta and Tampa Bay with a career average of .284 with 493 home runs and 1,550 rbi. He was three-time all-star at first base and played on the Atlanta Braves 1994 World Series winning team.

Rolen played American Legion baseball in Tampa while Rolen played in legion ball in Jasper, Indiana.



**Fred McGriff**

**Scott Rolen**

## Legion alumni in the Hall of Fame

- 1962** – Bob Feller, pitcher
- 1966** – Ted Williams, outfielder
- 1968** – Joe Medwick, outfielder
- 1969** – Stan Musial, outfielder/first base  
Roy Campanella, centerfield
- 1970** – Lou Boudreau, shortstop
- 1972** – Yogi Berra, catcher  
Early Wynn, pitcher
- 1973** – Warren Spahn, pitcher
- 1975** – Ralph Kiner, outfielder
- 1976** – Robin Roberts, pitcher  
Bob Lemon, pitcher
- 1978** – Eddie Mathews, third base
- 1980** – Al Kaline, outfielder
- 1981** – Bob Gibson, pitcher

- 1982** – Frank Robinson, outfielder
- 1983** – George Kell, third base  
Brooks Robinson, third base
- 1984** – Don Drysdale, pitcher  
Harmon Killebrew, first/third base  
Peewee Reese, shortstop
- 1985** – Hoyt Wilhelm, pitcher
- 1986** – Bobby Doerr, second base
- 1987** – Jim ‘Catfish’ Hunter, pitcher
- 1988** – Willie Stargell, outfielder
- 1989** – Johnny Bench, catcher  
Carl Yastrzemski, outfielder/first base
- 1990** – Joe Morgan, second base  
Jim Palmer, pitcher
- 1991** – Gaylord Perry, pitcher
- 1992** – Rollie Fingers, pitcher  
Hal Newhouser, pitcher  
Tom Seaver, pitcher
- 1993** – Reggie Jackson, outfielder
- 1994** – Steve Carlton, pitcher
- 1995** – Richie Ashburn, outfielder
- 1996** – Jim Bunning, pitcher  
Earl Weaver, manager
- 1997** – Phil Niekro, pitcher  
Nellie Fox, second base
- 1999** – George Brett, third base  
Robin Yount, shortstop/outfield
- 2000** – Sparky Anderson, manager  
Carlton Fisk, catcher
- 2001** – Dave Winfield, outfielder
- 2003** – Gary Carter, catcher  
Eddie Murray, first base
- 2004** – Paul Molitor, shortstop
- 2005** – Ryne Sandberg, second base  
Wade Boggs, third base
- 2006** – Bruce Sutter, pitcher
- 2007** – Tony Gwynn, outfielder
- 2008** – Dick Williams, manager
- 2009** – Joe Gordon, second base  
Jim Rice, leftfield
- 2010** – Whitey Herzog, manager  
Doug Harvey, umpire
- 2011** – Roberto Alomar, second base  
Bert Blyleven, pitcher  
Pat Gillick, administrator
- 2012** – Ron Santo, third base  
Barry Larkin, shortstop
- 2013** – Bobby Cox, manager  
Tom Glavine, pitcher  
Tony LaRussa, manager  
Greg Maddux, pitcher  
Joe Torre, manager
- 2016** – Mike Piazza, catcher
- 2017** – Jeff Bagwell, first base  
Tim Lincecum, outfielder  
John Schuerholz, executive
- 2018** – Chipper Jones, third base  
Jack Morris, pitcher  
Jim Thome, first-third base  
Alan Trammell, shortstop
- 2018** – Trevor Hoffman, pitcher
- 2019** – Lee Smith, pitcher  
Mike Mussini, pitcher  
Roy Halladay, pitcher  
Harold Baines, outfielder/DH
- 2020** – Ted Simmons, catcher/first base
- 2022** – Gil Hodges, first base/manager  
Jim Kaat, pitcher

**2023** – Scott Rolen, third base  
Fred McGriff, first base

## Shortstop Corey Seager is Legion Graduate of Year

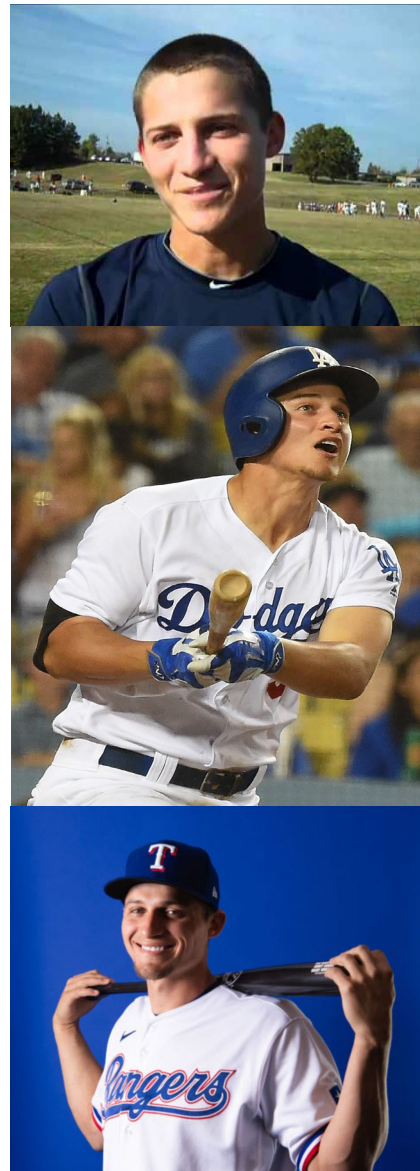
Before earning MVP honors at the 2020 Major League World Series, shortstop Corey Seager was an MVP in American Legion baseball playing for Post 115 in Kannapolis, North Carolina.

Seager is in his tenth season of MLB having played for the Los Angeles Dodgers seven seasons earning Rookie of the Year honors in 2016. The three-time All-star currently plays with the Texas Rangers.

Previous award recipients:

1958 – Sherman Lollar, White Sox  
1959 – no award  
1960 – Ted Williams, Red Sox  
1961 – Stan Musial, Cardinals  
1962 – Bobby Richardson, Yankees  
1963 – Warren Spahn, Braves  
1964 – Brooks Robinson, Orioles  
1965 – Gene Fisher, White Sox  
1966 – Frank Robinson, Reds  
1967 – Carl Yastrzemski, Red Sox  
1968 – Mickey Lolich, Tigers  
1969 – Harmon Killebrew, Twins  
1970 – Dave McNally, Orioles  
1971 – Steve Carlton, Cardinals  
1972 – Al Kaline, Tigers  
1973 – Johnny Bench, Reds  
1974 – Wilburn Woods, White Sox  
1975 – Carlton Fisk, Red Sox  
1976 – Rick Monday, Cubs  
1977 – Dave Winfield, Padres  
1978 – Ron Guidry, Yankees  
1979 – Mike Flanagan, Orioles  
1980 – George Brett, Royals  
1981 – Gary Carter, Expos  
1982 – Jim Sunberg, Rangers  
1983 – Andre Thornton, Indians  
1984 – Ryne Sandberg, Cubs  
1985 – Jeff Reardon, Expos  
1986 – Dale Murphy, Braves  
1987 – Don Mattingly, Yankees  
1988 – Roger Clements, Red Sox  
1989 – Alan Trammell, Tigers  
1990 – Harold Reynolds, Mariners  
1991 – Sid Bream, Braves  
1992 – Terry Steinbach, A's  
1993 – Bill Swift, Giants  
1994 – Greg Maddux, Braves  
1995 – Bob Tewksbury, Padres  
1996 – Paul Molitor, Twins  
1997 – Mo Vaughn, Red Sox  
1998 – Tony Gwynn, Padres  
1999 – Steve Finley, Padres  
2000 – Chipper Jones, Braves  
2001 – Todd Stottlemyre, Diamondbacks  
2002 – Luis Gonzales, Diamondbacks  
2003 – Jeff Bagwell, Astros  
2004 – Darin Erstad, Angels  
2005 – Scott Rolen, Cardinals  
2006 – Albert Pujols, Cardinals

2007 – Chris Carpenter, Cardinals  
2008 – Justin Verlander, Tigers  
2009 – Lyle Overbay, Blue Jays  
2010 – Brandon Inge, Tigers  
2011 – Corey Hart, Brewers  
2012 – Mark Ellis, Dodgers  
2013 – Chad Billingsley, Dodgers  
2014 – Michael Cuddyer, Rockies  
2015 – Alex Gordon, Royals  
2016 – Cliff Lee, Phillies  
2017 – Brian Dozier, Twins  
2018 – Brian Duensing, Cubs  
2019 – Neil Walker, Pirates  
2020 – no award  
2021 – Jacob deGrom, Mets  
2022 – Brandon Woodruff, Twins  
2023 – Corey Seager, Dodgers/Rangers



**Top: Corey Seager in Kannapolis NC**  
**Middle: With the Los Angeles Dodgers**  
**Bottom: Currently with the Texas Rangers**

# World Series appearances (by states)

	App	1-2-3	W-L	cities
Alabama	5	2-1-1	16-7	3 cities
Alaska	none			
Arizona	8	1-0-1	11-15	2 cities
Arkansas	7	1-1-1	11-13	6 cities
California	53	17-8-6	122-85	30 cities
Colorado	6	0-0-1	3-12	4 cities
Connecticut	23	0-0-3	18-46	12 cities
Delaware	4	1-0-0	6-7	2 cities
DC	4	0-1-0	3-8	1 city
Florida	17	5-1-5	45-27	9 cities
Georgia	3	0-0-0	1-7	3 cities
Hawaii	9	2-2-3	24-16	4 cities
Idaho	12	2-3-0	22-17	3 cities
Illinois	20	3-6-5	37-39	15 cities
Indiana	9	1-1-2	17-15	5 cities
Iowa	8	0-2-0	12-16	3 cities
Kansas	4	0-0-0	1-8	4 cities
Kentucky	4	0-1-0	3-8	3 cities
Louisiana	27	5-7-6	61-47	5 cities
Maine	3	1-0-0	7-4	1 city
Maryland	11	3-1-1	19-15	9 cities
Massachusetts	23	1-4-3	21-46	17 cities
Michigan	17	2-1-5	35-30	6 cities
Minnesota	21	5-3-2	43-38	12 cities
Mississippi	9	1-2-0	13-17	6 cities
Missouri	10	3-1-0	22-14	7 cities
Montana	4	0-1-0	5-8	1 city
Nebraska	22	1-2-4	30-43	4 cities
Nevada	12	2-3-2	26-23	2 cities
New Hampshire	10	0-1-2	3-22	3 cities
New Jersey	27	5-5-6	59-46	8 cities
New Mexico	1	0-0-0	0-3	1 city
New York	12	2-1-0	14-21	6 cities
North Carolina	22	4-6-2	43-39	12 cities
North Dakota	6	0-1-0	6-13	2 cities
Ohio	24	7-4-2	51-37	8 cities
Oklahoma	13	1-0-3	28-26	7 cities
Oregon	20	1-5-6	40-37	7 cities
Pennsylvania	13	3-4-2	34-22	5 cities
Puerto Rico	10	3-2-0	25-17	5 cities
Rhode Island	6	0-1-2	8-12	4 cities
South Carolina	14	2-2-5	22-29	11 cities
South Dakota	8	1-0-2	11-15	1 city
Tennessee	12	2-3-2	28-21	5 cities
Texas	5	0-0-2	4-8	5 cities
Utah	2	0-0-0	1-4	2 cities
Vermont	none			
Virginia	14	1-2-2	20-31	9 cities
Washington	17	3-6-3	41-30	5 cities
West Virginia	1	0-0-1	1-2	1 city
Wisconsin	2	0-0-1	4-4	2 cities
Wyoming	none			

Note: California and South Carolina played to a tie game as did Louisiana and Massachusetts.

## Most Appearances by state in ALWS

California	53
Louisiana	27
New Jersey	27

Ohio	24
Massachusetts	23
Connecticut	23
North Carolina	22
Minnesota	21
Nebraska	22
Oregon	20

## Most cities in ALWS by state

California	30
Massachusetts	17
Illinois	15
Minnesota	12
North Carolina	12
Connecticut	12
South Carolina	11

## Most ALWS championships

California	17
Ohio	7
Louisiana	5
Minnesota	5
Florida	5
New Jersey	5
North Carolina	4

Note: Pennsylvania, Washington, Illinois, Maryland, Missouri and Puerto Rico tied with 3

## Most ALWS runner-ups

California	8
Louisiana	7
Washington	6
Illinois	6
North Carolina	6
Oregon	5
New Jersey	5

Note: Massachusetts, Ohio and Pennsylvania tied with 4

## Most victories in ALWS play

California	122
New Jersey	59
Louisiana	61
Ohio	51
Florida	45
Minnesota	43
North Carolina	43
Washington	41
Oregon	40

## Most defeats in ALWS play

California	85
Louisiana	47
Connecticut	46
New Jersey	46
Massachusetts	46
Nebraska	43
Illinois	39
Minnesota	38
Ohio	37

## Most games played in ALWS

California	208 (1 tie)
New Jersey	105
Louisiana	109 (1 tie)
Ohio	88
North Carolina	82
Minnesota	81
Oregon	77
Illinois	76

# World Series appearances (by cities)

## ALABAMA

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Dothan	2	0-0-1	3-3	02-05
Troy	1	1-0-0	4-1	22
Tuscaloosa	2	1-1-0	9-3	66-67

## ALASKA

No team from Alaska has appeared in the ALWS

## ARKANSAS

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Bryant	2	0-0-1	2-4	07-17
Jonesboro	1	0-0-0	1-2	08
Little Rock	1	0-1-0	2-2	47
Russellville	1	0-0-0	0-2	94
Texarkana	2	1-0-0	6-3	90-16

## ARIZONA

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Phoenix	4	1-0-0	8-7	59-61-70-71
Tucson	4	0-0-1	3-8	44-45-68-07

## CALIFORNIA

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Campbell	1	0-0-0	1-2	74
Chatsworth	1	0-0-0	0-3	99
Chico	2	0-0-0	1-25	83-14
Chino	1	0-1-0	3-2	94
Danville	3	1-0-1	9-3	98-00-01
El Cerrito	1	0-0-1	2-2	72
El Segundo	1	0-0-0	2-2	86
Escondido	1	0-0-0	1-2	91
Fairfield	2	0-0-0	2-4	93-97
Fullerton	2	0-0-1	4-4	75-89
Lafayette	1	0-1-0	4-2	82
Lakewood	1	0-0-0	1-2	12
Los Angeles	4	2-1-1	9-6	36-42-46-51
Long Beach	1	1-0-0	5-0	63
Newbury Park	1	1-0-0	5-1	92
Northridge	1	0-0-0	1-2	03
Norwalk	1	0-0-0	2-2	79
Oakland	4	4-0-0	13-2	28-49-50-66
Ontario	1	0-0-0	2-2	65
Palo Alto	1	0-0-0	1-2	80
Petaluma	1	0-1-0	4-2	13
Sacramento	3	0-2-0	5-7	35-81-85
San Diego	6	3-2-0	14-9	38-40-41-47

San Fernando	1	0-0-0	1-2	73
San Mateo	2	0-0-1	4-3	83-16
Santa Monica	3	1-0-0	5-5	76-77-78
Union City	1	0-0-0	1-2	91
Upland	1	1-0-0	4-1	64
West Covina	3	2-0-1	12-3	70-71-85
Woodland Hills	1	1-0-0	4-1	89

## COLORADO

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Boulder	3	0-0-0	0-6	87-88-04
Colo.Springs	1	0-0-0	0-2	69
Denver	1	0-0-0	0-2	67
Grand Junction	1	0-0-1	3-2	82

## CONNECTICUT

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Berlin	1	0-0-0	0-2	09
Conn. (cont.)	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years

Branford	4	0-0-1	3-8	05-07-10-13
Bristol	4	0-0-1	2-8	74-84-97-08
Cromwell	2	0-0-0	0-6	14-15
East Hartford	2	0-0-0	4-4	91-92
Meriden	1	0-0-0	2-2	81
Milford	1	0-0-0	0-2	12
Naugatuck	1	0-0-0	1-2	69
New London	2	0-0-0	1-4	85-86
North Haven	1	0-0-0	1-2	72
Trumbull	1	0-0-0	2-2	77
West Hartford	3	0-0-1	2-6	59-61-73

## DELAWARE

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
New Castle	1	0-0-0	0-2	70
Wilmington Manor	2	0-0-0	2-4	67-76
Wilmington	1	1-0-0	4-1	18

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Washington	4	0-1-0	3-8	55-57-63-66

## FLORIDA

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
DeLand	1	0-0-1	2-2	04
Hialeah	2	1-0-1	8-2	78-80
Jacksonville	3	0-1-0	3-6	48-51-14
Jensen Beach	1	1-0-0	5-0	86
Miami	3	1-0-0	8-5	60-93-94
Sanford	1	1-0-0	5-1	97
Sarasota	1	0-0-0	0-2	91
West Palm Beach	3	0-0-2	7-6	69-77-88
West Tampa	2	1-0-1	7-3	81-87

## GEORGIA

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Albany	1	0-0-0	0-3	01
Atlanta	1	0-0-0	0-2	49
Gainesville	1	0-0-0	1-2	79

## HAWAII

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Aiea	1	1-0-0	4-1	95
Honolulu	3	1-2-0	11-5	62-80-21
Kailua	1	0-0-1	3-2	90
Waipahu	4	0-0-2	6-8	11-13-14-15

## IDAHO

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Idaho Falls	3	2-1-0	12-3	2019-21-22
Lewiston	7	0-1-0	7-11	64-66-72-77-01-17-01
Meridian	1	0-0-0	1-2	18
Pocatello	1	0-1-0	2-1	26

## ILLINOIS

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Arlington Heights	2	0-1-0	4-4	65-92
Barrington	1	0-0-1	3-2	79
Belleville	1	0-0-1	1-2	48
Berwyn	3	0-2-0	1-8	39-41-60
Chicago	1	1-0-0	2-0	33
Danville	1	0-0-1	2-2	19
Des Plaines	1	0-1-0	5-2	76
Edwardsville	1	1-0-0	4-1	98
Moline	2	0-0-0	1-4	10-12
Northbrook	2	0-1-0	5-4	66-67
Oak Park	1	0-0-1	1-2	45
Quincy	1	0-0-0	1-2	87
Rock Island	1	0-0-1	2-2	97
South Chicago	1	1-0-0	2-0	31
Waukegan	1	0-0-0	0-2	80

Ill. (cont.)	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
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Winnetka	1	0-1-0	3-2	53
<b>INDIANA</b>				
<b>Team</b>	<b>App</b>	<b>1-2-3</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Years</b>
Evansville	1	0-0-1	2-2	63
Kokomo	1	0-0-0	2-2	82
Rockport	4	0-0-1	5-7	74-84-07-16
South Bend	2	1-0-0	5-2	68-77
Terre Haute	1	0-1-0	3-2	06

<b>IOWA</b>				
<b>Team</b>	<b>App</b>	<b>1-2-3</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Years</b>
Cedar Rapids	5	0-2-1	8-10	71-74-75 76-86
Dubuque County	2	0-0-0	3-4	18-21
Waterloo	1	0-0-0	1-2	64

<b>KANSAS</b>				
<b>Team</b>	<b>App</b>	<b>1-2-3</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Years</b>
El Dorado	1	0-0-0	0-2	26
Kansas City	1	0-0-0	0-2	91
Lawrence	1	0-0-0	1-2	06
Olathe	1	0-0-0	0-2	90

<b>KENTUCKY</b>				
<b>Team</b>	<b>App</b>	<b>1-2-3</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Years</b>
Owensboro	1	0-0-0	0-2	81
Paducah	2	0-1-0	3-4	00-04
Richmond	1	0-0-0	0-2	82

<b>LOUISIANA</b>				
<b>Team</b>	<b>App</b>	<b>1-2-3</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Years</b>
Destrehan	1	0-0-1	3-1	19
Gonzales	7	0-1-2	15-13	88-89-91-92 96-13-18
Lake Charles	1	0-0-0	0-2	86
Metairie	3	1-0-0	9-5	74-76-06
New Orleans	15	4-6-3	34-26	29-30-32-34 37-43-46-56 60-62-64 80-83-12-15

<b>MAINE</b>				
<b>Team</b>	<b>App</b>	<b>1-2-3</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Years</b>
Portland	3	1-0-0	7-4	95-99-04

<b>MARYLAND</b>				
<b>Team</b>	<b>App</b>	<b>1-2-3</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Years</b>
Baltimore	2	1-0-0	2-2	30-54
Cheverly	2	0-0-1	4-4	74-75
Cumberland	1	1-0-0	2-1	34
Mayo	1	1-0-0	5-1	90
Mt. Airy	1	0-0-0	0-2	09
Ridge	1	0-0-0	2-1	21
Severna Park	1	0-0-0	0-2	97
Towson	1	0-1-0	4-2	69
Waldorf	1	0-0-0	0-2	95

<b>MASSACHUSETTS</b>				
<b>Team</b>	<b>App</b>	<b>1-2-3</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Years</b>
Beverly	1	0-0-0	1-2	21
Braintree	2	0-0-0	0-5	89-18
East Lynn	1	1-0-0	3-0	37
East Springfield	1	0-1-0	3-2	78
Everett	1	0-1-0	2-2	58
Milford	3	0-0-1	2-6	52-53-01
Milton	1	0-0-0	1-2	06
Natick	1	0-0-0	0-2	83
New Bedford	1	0-0-0	0-2	93
Norwood	1	0-0-0	0-2	87
Pittsfield	1	0-0-1	3-2	60
<b>Mass. (cont.)</b>	<b>App</b>	<b>1-2-3</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Years</b>

Shrewsbury	3	0-0-1	3-7	17-19-22
Somerville	2	0-0-0	1-4	62-63
Springfield	2	0-1-0	2-4	32-68
West Quincy	1	0-0-0	0-2	75
Worcester	1	0-1-0	0-2	28

<b>MICHIGAN</b>				
<b>Team</b>	<b>App</b>	<b>1-2-3</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Years</b>
Allen Park	1	0-0-0	1-2	78
Blissfield	1	0-0-0	2-2	94
Detroit	2	1-0-1	7-3	59-64
Flint	1	0-0-0	0-2	43
Lincoln Park	1	0-0-1	2-2	71
Midland	10	1-1-3	22-17	90-96-08-09 11-14-17-18 21-22

<b>MINNESOTA</b>				
<b>Team</b>	<b>App</b>	<b>1-2-3</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Years</b>
Bloomington	1	0-0-0	1-2	99
Burnsville	1	0-0-0	1-2	13
Eden Prairie	4	1-2-0	14-7	04-07-10-11
Edina	2	1-0-0	5-3	82-83
Excelsior	2	0-1-0	3-5	98-02
Moorhead	1	0-0-1	2-2	88
New Brighton	2	1-0-0	4-3	97-99
New Ulm	2	0-0-0	1-4	78-85
Osseo	2	0-0-1	3-4	93-95
Richfield	2	1-0-0	4-3	43-73
Rochester	1	1-0-0	4-1	03
Woodbury	1	0-0-0	1-2	05

<b>MISSISSIPPI</b>				
<b>Team</b>	<b>App</b>	<b>1-2-3</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Years</b>
Greenville	1	0-0-0	0-2	71
Hattiesburg	1	0-1-0	3-2	77
Jackson	2	0-0-0	0-4	61-75
Starkville	2	0-0-0	1-4	82-95
Tupelo	2	0-1-1	5-4	11-21
West Point	1	1-0-0	4-1	02

<b>MISSOURI</b>				
<b>Team</b>	<b>App</b>	<b>1-2-3</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Years</b>
Ballwin	1	1-0-0	6-1	72
Blue Springs	1	0-0-0	1-2	03
Crestwood	1	0-0-0	1-2	80
Festus	2	0-0-0	2-4	09-19
Jefferson City	1	0-0-0	1-2	98
Maplewood	1	0-0-0	1-2	54
St. Louis	3	2-1-0	10-3	50-56-62

<b>MONTANA</b>				
<b>Team</b>	<b>App</b>	<b>1-2-3</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Years</b>
Billings	4	0-1-0	5-8	58-60-61-62

<b>NEBRASKA</b>				
<b>Team</b>	<b>App</b>	<b>1-2-3</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Years</b>
Hastings	1	0-0-0	1-2	60
Lincoln	2	0-0-0	0-4	55-06
Omaha	19	1-3-4	29-37	39-48-61-63 65-68-70-81 85-94-00-01 08-12-14-15 16-17-22

## NEVADA



Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Henderson	1	1-0-0	3-2	17
Las Vegas	12	1-3-3	26-23	84-86-93-98 02-05-06-08 09-10-11-18

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Bedford	1	0-0-0	0-2	11
Berlin	1	0-0-0	0-2	65
Manchester	8	0-1-2	3-18	42-47-64-66 67-70-82-02

#### NEW JERSEY

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Brooklawn	16	4-2-5	44-25	60-61-84-91 92-94-98-99 00-01-05-11 12-13-14-15
Caldwell	1	0-0-1	2-2	78
Haddon Heights	1	0-0-1	2-2	03
Hamilton Square	1	0-0-0	1-2	00
Hopewell	1	0-0-0	1-2	17
Lyndhurst	2	0-0-0	2-4	65-71
Trenton	4	1-3-0	7-6	33-45-46-48
West Deptford	1	0-0-0	0-3	03

#### NEW MEXICO

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Albuquerque	1	0-0-0	0-3	19

#### NEW YORK

Buffalo	2	1-0-0	2-3	29-62
Kingston	1	0-0-0	1-2	88
Rockland County	4	0-0-0	3-8	90-93-96-02
Staten Island	2	0-0-0	2-4	64-68
White Plains	1	0-1-0	3-2	51
Yonkers	2	1-0-0	3-2	26-56

#### NORTH CAROLINA

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Albemarle	2	1-1-0	6-4	40-44
Charlotte	2	1-1-0	8-3	64-65
Cherryville	3	0-2-0	6-6	53-98-03
Gastonia	2	1-1-0	5-2	35-54
Greensboro	1	0-0-0	1-2	63
Hamlet	1	0-0-0	0-2	83
Kernersville	1	0-0-0	1-2	10
Randolph County	3	0-0-1	4-6	17-18-19
Rowan County	3	0-1-1	7-6	96-09-16
Salisbury	1	0-0-1	1-2	55
Shelby	1	1-0-0	3-0	45
Whiteville	1	0-0-0	0-2	43
Wilmington	2	0-0-0	2-4	70-13

#### NORTH DAKOTA

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Fargo	5	0-1-0	5-11	69-89-92-19-21
Grand Forks	1	0-0-0	1-2	67

#### OHIO

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Cincinnati	14	7-2-1	36-16	44-46-47-49 51-52-55-57 58-61-69-73 87-88
Findley	1	0-0-0	2-2	72
Maynard	1	0-0-1	2-2	86
Napoleon	2	0-0-0	0-5	01-13
Ohio (cont.)	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years

Newark	1	0-1-0	4-2	91
Springfield	2	0-1-0	3-4	26-43
Whitehouse	1	0-0-0	1-2	03
Worthington	2	0-0-0	3-4	75-83

#### OKLAHOMA

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Bartlesville	1	0-0-0	2-2	69
Edmond	2	0-0-0	2-4	99-04
Enid	2	1-0-0	7-3	66-05
Midwest City	3	1-0-1	9-5	87-01-10
Norman	1	0-0-1	3-2	93
Tulsa	4	0-0-1	5-8	70-79-81-97
Woodward	1	0-0-0	0-2	85

#### OREGON

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Corvallis	3	0-0-2	6-5	78-90-03
Klamath Falls	3	0-1-0	5-6	60-67-68
Lake Oswego	1	0-1-0	4-2	74
Medford	5	0-2-1	11-9	92-97-02-09-15
Portland	4	1-1-1	9-7	57-65-69-73
Roseburg	4	0-0-2	4-8	56-63-84-10
Salem	1	0-0-1	3-2	94

#### PENNSYLVANIA

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Boyetown	9	2-3-2	24-16	77-80-82-83-86 87-88-04-07
Levittown	1	0-1-0	3-2	70
Shaler	1	0-0-0	0-2	79
State College	1	0-0-1	3-1	98
Yardley	1	1-0-0	4-1	96

#### PUERTO RICO

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Bayamon	1	0-1-0	3-2	90
Guaynabo	4	1-1-0	10-7	84-85-89-92
Manati	1	0-0-0	1-2	76
Rio Piedras	3	2-0-0	9-3	72-73-74
San Juan	1	0-0-0	2-2	75

#### RHODE ISLAND

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Barrington	1	0-1-0	4-2	79
Bristol	1	0-0-1	1-2	50
Cumberland	1	0-0-0	1-2	16
Warwick	3	0-0-1	2-6	71-76-80

#### SOUTH CAROLINA

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Camden	1	0-0-0	1-2	22
Chapin-Newberry	1	1-0-0	4-1	15
Columbia	2	0-1-1	1-5	31-00
Conagree	1	0-0-0	1-2	71
Florence	1	0-0-0	1-2	12
Gaffney	1	0-0-0	1-2	11
Greer	1	0-0-1	1-2	57
Greenwood	1	0-0-1	1-2	58
Spartanburg	2	1-1-0	5-5	36-38
Sumter	2	0-0-1	4-4	06-08
Timmons ville	1	0-0-1	2-2	68

#### SOUTH DAKOTA

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Rapid City	8	1-0-2	11-15	77-79-84-93 95-96-02-05

#### TENNESSEE



Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Columbia	3	1-0-0	7-5	95-07 -14
Gallatin	1	0-0-1	2-2	99
Memphis	6	1-3-1	19-10	63-65-67-68 72-73
Millington	1	0-0-0	0-2	84
Nashville	1	0-0-0	0-2	66

#### TEXAS

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Austin	1	0-0-1	1-2	52
League City	1	0-0-0	1-2	22
South Houston	1	0-0-0	1-2	78
Texarkana	1	0-0-1	2-2	09
Texas City	1	0-0-0	1-2	00

#### UTAH

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Sandy	1	0-0-0	0-2	96
Taylorsville	1	0-0-0	1-2	00

#### VERMONT

No team from Vermont has appeared in the ALWS

VIRGINIA Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Bedford	1	0-0-0	0-2	94
Chesapeake	1	0-0-0	0-2	10
Colonial Heights	1	0-0-0	1-2	61
Glen Allen	1	0-0-0	0-2	89
Hampton	2	0-1-0	4-4	59-62
Leesburg	1	0-0-0	0-3	16
Midlothian	2	1-0-1	8-3	85-06
Norfolk	1	0-0-0	0-2	72
Richmond	3	0-1-0	4-6	50-73-81
South Richmond	1	0-0-1	2-2	08

#### WASHINGTON

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Bellevue	3	0-1-2	10-6	81-95-12
Bellingham	1	0-0-0	1-2	07
Kennewick	3	0-2-0	6-7	99-04-16
Pasco	2	0-2-0	7-4	05-08
Vancouver	2	0-1-0	4-4	87-96
Yakima	5	3-0-1	13-7	53-75-76 79-88

#### WEST VIRGINIA

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Wheeling	1	0-0-1	1-2	49

#### WISCONSIN

Team	App	1-2-3	W-L	Years
Janesville	1	0-0-1	3-2	89
West Allis	1	0-0-0	1-2	62

#### WYOMING

No team from Wyoming has appeared in the ALWS

## Honoring Rick Cash

The American Legion World Series family lost a true baseball man with the death of Rickie J. Cash in December 2021.

Cash served the legion in many categories. He was assistant tournament director of the Series, served on the selection committee for the Player Of the Year, coached and served as chairman of Arkansas' legion program.

A U.S. Marine veteran, Cash served the Corps from 1968-72 as a sergeant received a Purple Heart while serving in Vietnam.

A true Christian family man, Rick was survived by his wife Jeris, son Mark and daughters Allyson and Sarah and eighth grandchildren. He was an ordained deacon and Bible Study leader in his church.

The Bible tells us that to be absent from the body is to be in the presence of the Lord. We can be assured that Rick resides in heaven with the Lord.

Rick's family attended the 2022 Series as legion and Shelby, North Carolina officials dedicated the Rick J. Cash Memorial Leadership Wall at Keeter Stadium.



Above: Mrs. Rick Cash and family escorted by Military escort during special ceremony at Keeter Stadium

Below: Gary Stone with Rick Cash at the American Legion World Series.





# ALWS all-time attendance records

## SINCE 1926

### LARGEST SERIES

#### ATTENDANCE

132,804 in 2022 at Shelby NC

### SMALLEST SERIES

#### ATTENDANCE

4,200 in 1958 at Colo. Springs CO

### LARGEST GAME ATTENDANCE

20,000 in 1936 at Spartanburg SC

### SMALLEST GAME

#### ATTENDANCE

374 in 1984 at New Orleans LA (session 7)

### LARGEST CHAMPIONSHIP

#### GAME

20,000 in 1936 at Spartanburg SC

### SMALLEST CHAMPIONSHIP

#### GAME

524 in 1984 at New Orleans LA

## SINCE CURRENT 8-team

### FORMAT LARGEST GAME

#### ATTENDANCE

10,672 in 2022 at Shelby NC (game 12)

9,575 in 2022 at Shelby NC (game 11)

9,215 in 2022 at Shelby NC (game 10)

9,024 in 2018 at Shelby NC (game 8)

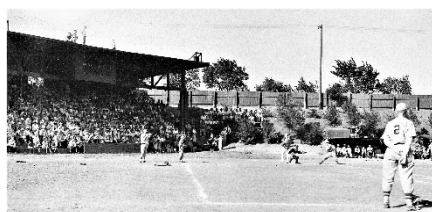
9,011 in 2022 at Shelby NC (game 4)

## Year by Year

1926	6,600
1928	6,500
1929	7,569
1930	7,782
1931	9,100
1932	31,555
1933	12,500
1934	17,500
1935	28,900
1936	60,000
1937	22,726
1938	48,500
1939	34,600

1940	42,500
1941	11,257
1942	17,595
1943	22,000
1944	28,000
1945	41,250
1946	19,150
1947	23,610
1948	18,500
1949	45,727
1950	34,775
1951	20,500
1952	20,565
1953	19,650
1954	40,269
1955	13,025
1956	16,000
1957	21,950
1958	4,200
1959	23,615
1960	29,144
1961	26,140
1962	20,200
1963	23,000
1964	16,500
1965	15,549
1966	19,248
1967	22,821
1968	17,743
1969	20,908
1970	22,379
1971	12,500
1972	24,817
1973	23,677
1974	30,182
1975	27,054
1976	32,740
1977	30,712
1978	24,605
1979	14,661
1980	18,892
1981	16,371
1982	34,023
1983	27,433
1984	7,765
1985	15,328
1986	16,190
1987	11,268
1988	19,423
1989	6,585
1990	31,580
1991	28,415
1992	27,055
1993	34,306
1994	21,466
1995	24,403
1996	38,836
1997	24,525
1998	22,015
1999	19,633
2000	13,731
2001	15,080

2002	13,487
2003	20,030
2004	11,905
2005	28,058
2006	18,082
2007	23,220
2008	37,701
2009	15,579
2010	13,000
2011	86,162
2012	101,925
2013	104,726
2014	110,036
2015	117,072
2016	121,127
2017	120,924
2018	128,307
2019	127,899
2020	No tourney
2021	117,911
2022	132,804





# American Legion World Series performances/ records

This record section includes traditional records (1926-2017) and New Era records (2018-current). In 2018, the American Legion national baseball committee reduced the number of innings played in national competition from nine innings to seven.

To reflect the change, games in national play from 2018 will have separate record section called New era records. Tradition records in this section are highlighted in blue. New Era records are highlighted in red and General records are highlighted green.

Game (individual and team) records are compiled from World Series games.

Tournament games where applicable are included from national competition (regionals and ALWS play).

For additional information, please contact JJ Guinozzo, scoring czar, ALWS since 1972.

## Game records Individual, team, two-team Offense

### **MOST AT BATS**

#### **INDIVIDUAL**

7 by Dan Henning (Bellingham WA vs. Branford CT)—2007  
7 by Rhett Fenton (Bellingham WA vs. Branford CT)—2007  
7 by Taylor Schneck (Bellingham WA vs. Branford CT)—2007  
7 by T.J. Fife (Bellingham WA vs. Branford CT)—2007  
7 by Mike Olt (Branford CT vs. Bellingham WA)—2007  
7 by James Balzano (Branford CT v. Bellingham WA)—2007  
7 by Doug Papuga (Branford CT v. Bellingham WA)—2007  
7 by Andrew Johnson (Branford CT v. Bellingham W)—2007  
7 by Preston Young (Danville CA vs. Omaha NE)—2001  
7 by Sean Yarbrough (Paducah KY vs. Omaha NE)—2000  
7 by Eddie Hannan (Paducah KY vs. Omaha NE)—2000  
7 by J.D. Merritt (Paducah KY vs. Omaha NE)—2000  
7 by Al Smith (Omaha NE vs. Paducah KY)—2000  
7 by Ryan Gilleland (Bedford VA vs. Brooklawn NJ)—1994

7 by Brandon Ingle (Bedford VA vs. Brooklawn NJ)—1994  
7 by Glen Ambrosius (Brooklawn NJ) vs. Bedford VA)—1994  
7 by Ryan Rasmussen (Chino CA vs. Miami FL)—1994  
7 by Jerry DeSimone (DesPlaines IL vs. Warwick RI)—1976  
7 by John Rabel (West Quincy MA vs. Cheverly MD)—1975  
7 by Mike Depolo (West Quincy MA vs. Cheverly MD)—1975  
7 by John Matias (Honolulu HI vs. West Allis WI)—1962  
7 by Ron Radlowski (South Chicago IL vs. Columbia SC)—1931  
5 by Jake Brosius (Dubuque Co. IA vs. Idaho Falls ID)—2021  
5 by Tucker Nauman (Dubuque Co. IA vs. Idaho Falls ID)—2021  
5 by DJ Akiyama (Honolulu HI vs. Dubuque Co. IA)—2021  
5 by Harrison Jackson, Randolph Co. NC vs. Shrewsbury MA – 2019  
5 by Logan Spicer, Danville IL vs. Albuquerque NM – 2019  
5 by TJ Thomas, Destrehan LA vs. Albuquerque NM – 2019  
5 by Zach Kluvers, Fargo ND vs. Shrewsbury MA – 2019  
5 by Cole Hage, Fargo ND vs. Destrehan LA – 2019  
5 by Blake Anderson, Fargo ND vs. Destrehan LA – 2019  
5 by Brayden Koenig, Fargo ND vs. Destrehan LA – 2019  
5 by Brandt Kolpak, Fargo ND vs. Destrehan LA – 2019  
5 by Kota Broeker, Danville IL vs. Idaho Falls ID – 2019  
5 by Chase Rademacher, Danville IL vs. Idaho Falls ID – 2019  
5 by Brayden Caskey, Gonzales LA vs. Wilmington DE – 2018  
5 by Preston Thrash, Gonzales LA vs. Wilmington DE – 2018  
5 by TJ Deardorff, Dubuque Co. IA vs. Braintree MA – 2018  
5 by Landon Smith, Randolph Co. NC vs. Las Vegas NV – 2018  
5 by Trevor Marsh, Randolph Co. NC vs. Las Vegas NV, 2018  
5 by Jack Dubecq, Wilmington DE vs. Midland MI – 2018  
5 by Tyler David, Midland MI vs. Wilmington DE – 2018  
5 by Martin Money, Midland MI vs. Wilmington DE – 2018  
5 by Seth Gower, Midland MI vs. Wilmington DE – 2018

#### **TEAM**

56 by Branford CT vs. Bellingham WA (13 innings)—2007  
37 by Fargo ND vs. Destrehan LA – 2019 (seven innings)—2019  
37 by Wilmington DE vs. Midland MI (10 innings)—2018  
33 by Dubuque Co. IA vs. Braintree MA (seven innings)—2018

#### **TWO-TEAMS**

111 – Branford CT (56) vs. Bellingham W (55) (13 innings)—2007  
72 – Wilmington DE (37) vs. Midland MI (35) (10 innings)—2018  
65 – Fargo ND (37) vs. Destrehan LA (28) (seven innings) – 2019  
63 – Fargo ND (32) vs. Ridge MD (31) (seven innings) – 2021  
57 – Dubuque Co. IA (33) vs. Braintree MA (24) (seven innings)—2018

### **MOST RUNS**

#### **INDIVIDUAL**

5 by Reid Akau (Waipahu HI vs. Wilmington NC)—2013  
5 by Brian Kekee (Jefferson City MO vs. Brooklawn NJ)—1998  
5 by Burke Eathorne (Bellevue WA vs. Columbia TN)—1995  
5 by Dan Catlin (East Hartford CT vs. Medford OR)—1992  
5 by Scott Hughes (Cincinnati OH vs. Kingston NY)—1988  
5 by Mitch Hannahs (Maynard OH vs. Cedar Rapids IA)—1986  
5 by Ron Ramie (Honolulu HI vs. West Allis WI)—1962  
4 by Stephen Klein, Destrehan LA vs. Danville IL – 2019

#### **TEAM**

25 by Jefferson City MO vs. Brooklawn NJ (7 innings)—1998  
23 by Yonkers NY vs. Pocatello ID—1926  
23 by Omaha NE vs. Roseburg OR—1963  
14 by Destrehan LA vs. Albuquerque NM – 2019

#### **TWO-TEAM**

34 – Oakland CA (22) vs. Bristol RI (12)—1950  
20 – Destrehan LA (14) vs. Albuquerque NM (6) – 2019



## **MOST HITS**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

6 by Joel Perez (Guaynabo PR vs. Woodland Hills CA)—1989  
6 by Jorge Robles (Guaynabo PR vs. Roseburg OR)—1984  
4 by Stephen Klein, Destrehan LA vs. Danville IL – 2019  
4 by Zach Kluvers, Fargo ND vs. Destrehan LA – 2019  
4 by Blake Anderson, Fargo ND vs. Shrewsbury MA – 20019

### **TEAM**

22 by Milton MA vs. Lawrence KS—2006  
22 by Corvallis OR vs. Whitehouse MN—2003  
22 by Edina MN vs. Chino CA—1983  
22 by Tulsa OK vs. Manchester NH—1970  
22 by Oakland CA vs. Bristol RI—1950  
15 by Destrehan LA vs. Albuquerque NM – 2019  
13 by Idaho Falls ID vs. Honolulu HI – 2021  
12 by Las Vegas NV vs. Meridian ID—2018  
12 by Dubuque Co. IA vs. Braintree MA—2018  
12 by Randolph Co. NC vs. Las Vegas NV—2018

### **TWO-TEAM**

37 – Branford CT (19) vs. Bellingham WA (18)—2007  
37 – Paducah KY (19) vs. Omaha NE (18)—2000  
37 – Omaha NE (19) vs. Hamilton Square NJ (18)—2000  
25 – Destrehan LA (15) vs. Albuquerque NM (10) – 2019  
22 – Ridge MD (12) vs. Fargo ND (10) – 2021  
20 – Randolph Co. NC (12) vs. Las Vegas NV (8)—2018

## **MOST TWO-BASE HITS**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

4 by Jason Williams (Gonzales LA vs. Brooklawn NJ)—1991  
4 by Mike Maupin (Richmond VA vs. Kokomo IN)—1982  
4 by Scott Gilbert (Boyertown PA vs. Lafayette CA)—1982  
2 by Zach Kluvers (Fargo ND vs. Destrehan LA) – 2019  
2 by Bruer Webster (Idaho Falls ID vs. Randolph Co. NC) – 2019  
2 by Avery Schexnaydre (Destrehan LA vs. Albuquerque NM) – 2019  
2 by Sam Link, Dubuque Co. IA vs. Braintree MA – 2018

### **TEAM**

9 by Sanford FL vs. Medford OR—1997  
5 by Fargo ND vs. Destrehan LA – 2019  
5 by Dubuque Co. IA vs. Braintree MA—2018

### **TWO-TEAM**

13 – Omaha NE (8) vs. Brooklawn NJ (5)—2001  
13 – Sanford FL (9) vs. Medford OR (4)—1997  
5 – Fargo ND (5) vs. Destrehan LA (0)—2019  
5 – Randolph Co. NC (4) vs. Las Vegas NV (1)—2018  
5 – Dubuque Co. IA (5) vs. Braintree MA (0)—2018

## **MOST THREE-BASE HITS**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

2 by Nick Ciolli (Terre Haute IN vs. Metairie LA)—2006  
2 by Josh Sowell (Dothan AL vs. Woodbury MN)—2005  
2 by Chris Wright (State College PA vs. Cherryville NC)—1998  
2 by Jason Funk (Saverna Park MD vs. Bristol CT)—1997  
2 by Dominick Crispo (Bellevue WA vs. Columbia TN)—1995  
2 by Will Vespe (Brooklawn NJ vs. Guaynabo PR)—1984  
2 by Jorge Robles (Guaynabo PR vs. Roseburg OR)—1984  
2 by Mike Halloran (Edina MN vs. Boyertown PA)—1983  
2 by Steve Nepa (Wilmington DE vs. Manchester NH)—1967  
2 by Bob Fry (Billings MT vs. Brooklawn NJ)—1960  
1 by Tate Gustafson, Fargo ND vs. Tupelo MS – 2021  
1 by Griffin Clark, Midland MI vs. Beverly MA – 2021  
1 by Cole Smith, Dubuque Co IA vs. Midland MI – 2021  
1 by Demetri Jamison, Ridge MD vs. Fargo ND – 2021

1 by Stephen Klein, Destrehan LA vs. Albuquerque NM – 2019  
1 by Austin Colmery, Wilmington DE vs. Gonzales LA – 2018  
1 by Edarian Williams, Las Vegas NV vs. Randolph Co. NC – 2018

### **TEAM**

4 by Bellevue WA vs. Columbia TN—1995  
4 by Brooklawn NJ vs. Las Vegas NV—1984  
1 by Destrehan LA vs. Albuquerque NM—2019  
1 by Wilmington DE vs. Gonzales LA—2018  
1 by Las Vegas NV vs. Randolph Co. NC—2018

### **TWO-TEAM**

4 – Rockport IN (2) vs. Las Vegas NV (2)—1984  
4 – Bellevue WA (4) vs. Columbia TN (0)—1995  
4 – Brooklawn NJ (4) vs. Las Vegas NV (0)—1984  
1 by Fargo ND vs. Tupelo MS – 2021  
1 by Midland MI vs. Beverly MA – 2021  
1 by Dubuque Co IA vs. Midland MI – 2021  
1 by Ridge MD vs. Fargo ND – 2021  
1 – Destrehan LA vs. Albuquerque NM -- 2019  
1—Wilmington DE vs. Gonzales LA – 2018  
1—Las Vegas NV vs. Randolph Co. NC – 2018

## **MOST HOME RUNS**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

3 by Marc Damon (Tucson AZ vs. Branford CT)—2007  
2 by Stephen Klein, Destrehan LA vs. Danville IL – 2019

### **TEAM**

7 by Tucson AZ vs. Branford CT—2007  
7 by Cherryville NC vs. Corvallis OR—2003  
4 by Destrehan LA vs. Danville IL—2019

### **TWO-TEAM**

11 – Tucson AZ (7) vs. Branford CT (4)—2007  
4 – Destrehan LA (4) vs. Danville IL (0)—2019

## **MOST TOTAL BASES**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

12 by Marc Damon (Tucson AZ vs. Branford CT)—2007  
12 by Ryan Lymangrover (Danville CA vs. Paducah KY)—2000  
10 by Stephen Klein (2-hr, 2-1b), Destrehan LA vs. Danville IL – 2019

### **TEAM**

44 by Tucson AZ vs. Branford CT—2007  
26 by Destrehan LA vs. Danville IL—2019

### **TWO-TEAM**

72 – Tucson AZ (44) vs. Branford CT (28)—2007  
33 – Destrehan LA (22) vs. Albuquerque NM (11)—2019  
26 – Ridge MD (15) vs. Fargo ND (26)—2021

## **MOST RBI**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

8 by Chris Wright (State College PA vs. Cherryville NC)—1998  
8 by Erick Gomez (Chino CA vs. Omaha NE)—1994  
8 by Jeff Bajenaru (Chino CA vs. Miami FL)—1994  
4 by Stephen Klein, Destrehan LA vs Danville IL – 2019  
4 by Ron Franklin, Destrehan LA vs. Danville IL – 2019  
4 by Kolby Bourgeois Destrehan LA vs. Albuquerque NM – 2019

### **TEAM**

22 by Jefferson City MO vs. Brooklawn NJ—1998  
22 by Omaha NE vs. Roseburg OR—1963  
14 by Destrehan LA vs. Albuquerque NM – 2019

### **TWO-TEAM**

31 – Sacramento CA (17) vs. West Covina CA (14)—1985

19 – Destrehan LA (14) vs. Albuquerque NM (5) – 2019

## **MOST HIT BY PITCH**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

2 by Bryan Kloetzke (Woodbury MN vs. Dothan AL)—2005  
2 by Brock Alexander (Cherryville NC vs. Corvallis OR)—2003  
2 by Dan Lyons (Rochester MN vs. Corvallis OR)—2003  
2 by Zach Marker (Corvallis OR vs. Whitehouse OH)—2003  
2 by Matt Webb (Blue Springs MO vs. Northridge CA)—2003  
2 by Jason Sparks (Whitehouse OH vs. Corvallis OR)—2003  
2 by Lucas Ripa (Omaha NE vs. Kennewick WA)—2016  
2 by Caleb Helms (Rockport IN vs. Kennewick WA)—2016  
Also tied by 26 other players.

3 by Matthew Ploszay, Beverly MA vs. Dubuque Co IA – 2021

2 by Ernest Plummer, Danville IL vs. Destrehan LA – 2019

2 by Braxton Mills, Meridian ID vs. Midland MI – 2018

### **TEAM (batting)**

7 by Rowan County NC vs. San Mateo CA—2016

5 by Beverly MA vs. Dubuque Co. IA—2021

4 by Destrehan LA vs. Festus MO—2019

4 by Midland MI vs. Randolph Co. NC—2018

### **TWO-TEAM (batting)**

7 – Rowan County NC (7) vs. San Mateo CA (0)—2016

6 by Beverly MA (5) vs. Dubuque Co. IA (1)—2021

6 – Midland MI (4) vs. Randolph Co. NC (2)—2018

## **MOST BASE ON BALLS**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

4 by Ryan Walsh (Petaluma WA vs. Brooklawn NJ)—2013  
4 by Tyler Kipke (Woodbury MN vs. Branford CT)—2005  
4 by Todd Haug (Edwardsville IL vs. Las Vegas NV)—1998  
4 by Chris Streeter (Midland MI vs. Rockland CO NY)—1996  
4 by Andrew Hoffman (Midland MI v. Rockland CO NY)—1996  
4 by Brian Ogle (Rapid City SD vs. Rockland CO NY)—1993  
4 by Clyde Keller (Sacramento CA vs. Omaha NE)—1985  
4 by Tim Gallagher (Brooklawn NJ vs. Rockport IN)—1984  
4 by Herb Dubler (Brooklawn NJ vs. Rockport IN)—1984  
4 by Keith Ayers (Rockport IN vs. Millington TN)—1984  
4 by Darren Bren (Rapid City SD vs. Roseburg OR)—1984  
4 by Keith Komeiju (Honolulu HI vs. New Orleans LA)—1980

3 by Cole Smith (Dubuque Co. IA vs. Idaho Falls ID)—2021

3 by Jake Stipp, Danville IL vs. Albuquerque NM – 2019

3 by Tristan Marsh, Randolph Co. NC vs. Las Vegas NV – 2018

### **TEAM**

17 by Petaluma WA vs. Brooklawn NJ—2013

17 by Maynard OH vs. Cedar Rapids IA—1986

10 by Danville IL vs. Albuquerque NM—2019

9 by Gonzales LA vs. Wilmington DE—2018

9 by Randolph Co NC vs. Las Vegas NV—2018

### **TWO-TEAM**

26 – Maplewood MN (14) vs. San Diego CA (12)—1954

16 – Randolph Co. NC (9) vs. Las Vegas NV (7)—2018

## **MOST STRIKEOUTS**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

4 by Andrew Smith (Kernersville NC vs. Midwest City OK)—2010  
4 by Garrett Robinson (Kernersville NC vs. Branford CT)—2010  
4 by Chris Moon (Tucson AZ vs. Branford CT)—2007  
4 by Bryan Barth (Brooklawn NJ vs. Enid OK)—2005  
4 by Greg Laughlin (Eden Prairie MN v. Kennewick WA)—2004  
4 by Brett Brunner (Corvallis OR vs. Cherryville NC)—2003  
4 by Brian Smith (Rockland Co. NY vs. West Point MS)—2002

4 by Randy Causey (Columbia SC vs. Danville CA)—2000

4 by Jared Kelly (Columbia SC vs. Texas City TX)—2000

3 by Issiah Gonzales, Albuquerque NM vs. Destrehan LA—2019

3 by Chandler Ibach, Fargo ND vs. Idaho Falls ID—2019

3 by Colby Ott, Festus MO vs. Danville IL—2019

3 by Matt Poma, Wilmington DE vs. Gonzales LA – 2018

3 by Chaison Miklich, Las Vegas NV vs. Midland MI – 2018

3 by Aaron Roberts, Las Vegas NV vs. Midland MI – 2018

3 by Zane Zeppuhar, Gonzales LA vs. Las Vegas NV – 2018

### **TEAM**

21 by Columbia SC vs. Danville CA—2000 (13 innings)

21 by Manchester NH vs. West Covina CA—1970 (14 innings)

19 by Omaha NE vs. Charlotte NC—1965 (nine innings, game 1)

19 by Omaha NE vs. Charlotte NC—1965 (nine innings, game 2)

19 by Brooklawn NJ vs. Billings MT—1960 (nine innings)

12 by Festus MO vs. Destrehan LA—2019

### **TWO-TEAM**

30 – Columbia SC (21) vs. Danville CA (9)—2000 (13 innings)

27 -- Brooklawn NJ (19) vs. Billings MT (8)—1960 (nine innings)

16 – Festus MO (12) vs. Danville IL (4)—2019

15 – Meridian ID (9) vs. Las Vegas NV (6)—2018

15 – Wilmington DE (9) vs. Midland MI (6)—2018

## **MOST TOTAL SACRIFICES**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

3 by Daryl Moore (Yakima WA vs. Moorhead MN)—1988

Note: Moore collected 2 sac flies and 1 sac bunt

### **MOST SACRIFICE HITS**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

2 by Trent Hulse (Enid OK vs. Brooklawn NJ)—2005

2 by Kenny Thorpe (Boyetown PA vs. Eden Prairie MN)—2004

Also tied by 34 other players.

2 by Spencer Lanier, Randolph Co. NC vs. Las Vegas NV – 2018

### **TEAM**

6 by Lake Oswego OR vs. Rockport IN—1974

6 by Rio Piedras PR vs. Metairie LA—1974

6 by Memphis TN vs. Klamath Falls OR—1968

2 by Danville IL vs. Albuquerque NM—2019

2 by Idaho Falls ID vs. Randolph Co. NC—2019

2 by Randolph Co. NC vs. Midland MI—2018

2 by Wilmington DE vs. Braintree MA—2018

2 by Randolph Co. NC vs. Las Vegas NV—2018

### **TWO-TEAM**

7 –Sacramento CA (4) vs. Bellevue WA (3)—1981

7 – Lake Oswego OR (6) vs. Rockport IN (1)—1974

7 – Rio Piedras PR (6) vs. Metairie LA (1)—1974

3 – Randolph Co. NC (2) vs. Las Vegas NV (1)—2018

## **MOST SACRIFICE FLIES**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

2 by Juan Garcia (Rowan County NC vs. San Mateo CA)—2016

2 by Alex Rapanos (Midland MI vs. Eden Prairie MN)—2011

2 by Scott Brown (Portland ME vs. Boulder CO)—2004

2 by Kurt Wells (Whitehouse OH vs. West Deptford NJ)—2003

2 by Daryl Moore (Yakima WA vs. Moorhead MN)—1988

2 by David Virga (Sacramento CA vs. Owensboro KY)—1981

2 by Tony Andrea (Trumbull CT vs. W. Palm Beach FL)—1977

2 by Doug Hopper (Wilmington DE vs. Manchester NH)—1967

2 by Will Courtney, Dubuque Co. IA vs. Gonzales LA – 2018

### **TEAM**

4 by Midland MI vs. Eden Prairie MN—2011

2 by Idaho Falls ID vs. Fargo ND—2019

2 by Randolph Co. NC vs. Idaho Falls ID—2019

2 by Wilmington DE vs. Midland MI—2018

## TWO-TEAM

4 by Omaha NE (2) vs. Brooklawn NJ (2)—2001

3 by Idaho Falls ID (2) vs. Fargo ND (1)—2019

## MOST STOLEN BASES

### INDIVIDUAL

6 by Tomas Gil (Hialeah FL vs. Allen Park MI)—1978

6 by Edward Heydash (West Hartford CT vs. Detroit MI)—1959

3 by TJ Morgera, Shrewsbury MA vs. Randolph Co. NC—2019

### TEAM

19 by West Hartford CT vs. Detroit MI—1959

6 by Shrewsbury MA vs. Randolph Co. NC—2019

6 by Wilmington DE vs. Braintree MA—2018

6 by Idaho Falls ID vs. Beverly MA—2021

## TWO-TEAM

25 – West Hartford CT (19) vs. Detroit MI (6)—1959

7 – Shrewsbury MA (6) vs. Randolph Co. NC (1)—2019

7 – Idaho Falls ID (6) vs. Tupelo MIS (1)—2021

7 – Idaho Falls ID (6) vs. Beverly MA (1)—2021

6 – Wilmington DE (6) vs. Braintree MA (0)—2018

## INDIVIDUAL (stolen bases in inning)

3 by Robbie Podrosky (Gonzales LA vs. Petaluma CA)—2013. Note: Podrosky is only player to steal second, third and home in same inning)

### TRIPLE STEAL

1 by Metairie LA (sixth inning: Kevin Weidenbacher stole second, Tyler Koelling stole third and Brett Accardo stole home) vs. Midlothian VA—2007

# Pitching

## NO-HIT (complete) GAMES

- Richard Schroeder (Santa Monica CA vs. Cedar Rapids IA)—1976 (Game went ten innings. Santa Monica won 1-0)
- Gene Guerriero (Staten Island NY vs. Springfield MA)—1968. Staten Island won 2-0
- none

## ONE-HIT (complete) GAMES

- Chris Moon (Tucson AZ vs. Bryant AR)—2007. Tucson won 6-1.
- Bradley Tercero (Bellevue WA vs. Portland ME)—1995. Game went 7 innings. Bellevue won 11-1.
- Kevin Eberwein (Las Vegas NV vs. Rockland CO NY)—1993. Las Vegas won 12-0.
- Clyde Keller (Sacramento CA vs. Midlothian VA)—1985. Sacramento won 1-0.
- Luis Sanchez (Hialeah FL vs. East Springfield MA)—1978. Hialeah won 6-1.
- Mike Innes (Tuscaloosa AL vs. Oakland CA)—1966. Tuscaloosa won 6-2.
- Steve Chamberlain (Portland OR vs. Berlin NH)—1965. Portland won 3-0.
- Bob Boyd (Charlotte NC vs. Upland CA)—1964. Charlotte won 2-0.
- Jim Harwell (New Orleans LA vs. Yonkers NY)—1956. New Orleans won 2-0.
- Boots Kent (Shelby NC vs. Oak Park IL)—1945. Shelby won 2-1 in 10 innings. Kent pitched nine innings of no-hit ball allowing a hit and run in tenth inning.
- Wes Kennerly (San Diego CA vs. Berwyn IL)—1941. San Diego won 1-0.
- Jimmy Gamboa, Las Vegas NV vs. Gonzales LA -- 2018

## TEAM

- Tucson AZ vs. Bryant AR—2007. Tucson won 6-1.
- Bellevue WA vs. Portland ME—1995. Game went 7 innings. Bellevue won 11-1.
- Las Vegas NV vs. Rockland CO NY—1993. Las Vegas won 12-0.
- Sacramento CA vs. Midlothian VA—1985. Sacramento won 1-0.
- Hialeah FL vs. East Springfield MA—1978. Hialeah won 6-1.
- Tuscaloosa AL vs. Oakland CA—1966. Tuscaloosa won 6-2.
- Portland OR vs. Berlin NH—1965. Portland won 3-0.
- Charlotte NC vs. Upland CA—1964. Charlotte won 2-0.
- New Orleans LA vs. Yonkers NY—1956. New Orleans won 2-0.
- Shelby NC vs. Oak Park IL—1945. Shelby won 2-1 in 10 innings. Kent pitched nine innings of no-hit ball allowing a hit and run in tenth inning.
- San Diego CA vs. Berwyn IL—1941. San Diego won 1-0.
- Fargo ND vs. Shrewsbury MA—2019
- Las Vegas NV vs. Gonzales LA -- 2018

## MOST INNINGS PITCHED

### INDIVIDUAL

14 by Al Lawler (South Chicago IL vs. Columbia SC)—1931

14 by Kirby Higbe (Columbia SC vs. South Chicago IL)—1931

8 by Chris Ludman, Wilmington DE vs. Las Vegas NV – 2018

### TEAM

14 by Brooklawn NJ vs. Bedford VA—1994

14 by West Covina CA vs. Manchester NH—1970

14 by Springfield OH vs. Omaha NE—1968

14 by Manchester NH vs. Nashville TN—1966

14 by Spartanburg SC vs. San Diego CA—1938

14 by South Chicago IL vs. Columbia SC—1931

10 by Wilmington DE vs. Midland MI—2018

## MOST RUNS ALLOWED

### INDIVIDUAL

14 by Jonathan Kuetz (Excelsior MN vs. Las Vegas NV)—1998

9 by Jaydon Yancey, Meridian ID vs. Las Vegas NV – 2018

### TEAM

25 by Brooklawn NJ vs. Jefferson City MO—1998

14 by Albuquerque NM vs. Destrehan LA—2019

13 by Beverly MA vs. Idaho Falls ID—2021

### TWO-TEAM

34 – Bristol RI (12) vs. Oakland CA (22)—1950

20 – Destrehan LA (14) vs. Albuquerque NM (6)—2019

16 – Las Vegas (10) vs. Randolph Co. NC (6)—2018

16 – Idaho Falls ID (3) vs. Beverly MA (13)—2021

## MOST EARNED RUNS ALLOWED

### INDIVIDUAL

13 by Jonathon Kuetz (Excelsior MN vs. Las Vegas NV)—1998

8 by Jaydon Yancey, Meridian ID vs. Las Vegas NV – 2018

### TEAM

18 by Bristol RI vs. Oakland CA—1950

13 by Albuquerque NM vs. Destrehan LA—2019

11 by Danville IL vs. Destrehan LA—2019

### TWO-TEAM

28 – Bristol RI (18) vs. Oakland CA (10)—1950

18 – Albuquerque NM (13) vs. Destrehan LA (5)—2019

15 – Las Vegas NV (9) vs. Randolph Co. NC (6)—2018

## **MOST HITS ALLOWED**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

17 by Mark Pedersen (New Brighton MN vs. Sanford FL)—1997  
11 by Ty Yukumoto, Honolulu HI vs. Idaho Falls ID—2021  
11 by Colten Ame, Idaho Falls ID vs. Ridge MD—2021  
10 by Josh MacCord, Destrehan LA vs. Fargo ND—2019  
10 by Jaydon Yancey, Meridian ID vs. Las Vegas NV – 2018  
9 by Maxwell Coughlin, Midland MI vs. Idaho Falls ID—2021

### **TEAM**

22 by Whitehouse OH vs. Corvallis OR—2003  
22 by Chino CA vs. Edina MN—1983  
22 by Manchester NH vs. Tulsa OK—1970  
22 by Bristol RI vs. Oakland CA—1950  
15 by Albuquerque NM vs. Destrehan LA—2019  
12 by Las Vegas NV vs. Randolph Co. NC—2018  
12 by Tupelo MS vs. Idaho Falls ID—2021  
12 by Fargo ND vs. Ridge MD—2021

### **TWO-TEAM**

34 – Bristol RI (12) vs. Oakland CA (22)—1950  
25 – Albuquerque NM (15) vs. Destrehan LA (10)—2019  
22 – Ridge MD (10) vs. Fargo ND (12)—2021  
20 – Las Vegas NV (12) vs. Randolph Co. NC (8)—2018

## **MOST STRIKEOUTS**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

19 by Dave Lemonds (Charlotte NC vs. Omaha NE)—1965  
19 by Garry Hill (Charlotte NC vs. Omaha NE)—1965  
19 by Dave McNally (Billings MT vs. Brooklawn NJ)—1960

### **SEVEN-INNING GAME STRIKEOUT**

15 by Kevin Hill (Midwest City OK vs. Chesapeake VA)—2010  
9 by Jimmy Gamboa, Las Vegas NV vs. Meridian ID – 2018  
9 by Jimmy Gamboa, Las Vegas NV vs. Gonzales LA – 2018  
8 by Stephen Klein, Destrehan LA vs. Festus MO—2019  
8 by Mason Eckler, Danville IL vs. Idaho Falls ID—2019  
8 by Aaron Savary, Dubuque Co. IA vs. Idaho Falls ID—2021  
8 by Merit Jones, Idaho Falls ID vs. Honolulu HI—2021

### **TEAM**

21 by Danville CA vs. Columbia SC—2000 (13 innings)  
21 by West Covina CA vs. Manchester NH—1970 (14 innings)  
27 by Billings MT vs. Brooklawn NJ—1960  
12 by Destrehan LA vs. Festus MO—2019

### **TWO-TEAM**

30 – Danville CA (21) vs. Columbia SC (9)—2000 (13 innings)  
16 – Danville IL (9) vs. Idaho Falls ID (7)—2019  
16 – Danville IL (11) vs. Festus MO (5)—2019  
15 – Meridian ID (9) vs. Las Vegas NV (6)—2018  
15 – Wilmington DE (9) vs. Midland MI (6)—2018

## **MOST HOME RUNS ALLOWED**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

3 by Brian Monack (Branford CT vs. Tucson AZ)—2007  
3 by Brett Brunner (Corvallis OR vs. Cherryville NC)—2003  
3 by Alex DeAngelis (Corvallis OR vs. Cherryville NC)—2003  
3 by Peter Nemeth (Midland MI vs. Rockland Co. NY)—1996  
Note: Monack gave up three HRs in just one inning (4) pitched  
3 by Gage Romack, Danville IL vs. Destrehan LA—2019

### **TEAM**

7 by Branford CT vs. Tucson AZ—2007  
7 by Corvallis OR vs. Cherryville NC—2003  
4 by Danville IL vs. Destrehan LA—2019

## **TWO-TEAM**

9 by Guaynabo PR (3) vs. Midlothian VA (6)—1985  
4 by Danville IL (4) vs. Destrehan LA (0)—2019

## **MOST BASE ON BALLS ALLOWED**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

12 by Mike Pstragowski (Manchester NH vs. Memphis TN)—1967  
6 by Chase Vinson, Danville IL vs. Festus MO—2019  
6 by JT Tomovich, Wilmington DE vs. Gonzales LA—2018  
5 by Merit Jones, Idaho Falls ID vs. Honolulu HI—2021

### **TEAM**

17 by Brooklawn NJ vs. Brooklawn NJ vs. Petaluma CA—2013  
17 by Cedar Rapids IA vs. Maynard OH—1986  
10 by Albuquerque NM vs. Danville IL—2019  
9 by Las Vegas NV vs. Randolph Co. NC—2018  
9 by Dubuque Co. IA vs. Idaho Falls ID—2021  
9 by Idaho Falls ID vs. Honolulu HI—2021

### **TWO-TEAM**

26 – San Diego CA (12) vs. Maplewood MN (14)—1954  
16 – Randolph Co. NC (9) vs. Las Vegas NV (7)—2018  
16 – Las Vegas NV (9) vs. Randolph Co. NC (7)—2018

## **MOST WILD PITCHES**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

5 by Madison Boer (Eden Prairie MN vs. Boyertown PA)—2007  
3 by Cory Cook, Destrehan LA vs. Festus MO—2019  
3 by Brandon Bagon, Albuquerque NM vs. Danville IL—2019  
3 by Bradley Thompson, Idaho Falls ID vs. Beverly MA—2021  
3 by Josh Aribal, Honolulu HI vs. Dubuque Co. IA—2021  
3 by Danny Witbeck, Midland MI vs. Dubuque Co. IA—2021  
3 by Eli Green, Dubuque Co. IA vs. Beverly MA—2021

### **TEAM**

8 by Texarkana AR vs Rowan County NC)—2016 (12 innings)  
7 by Danville CA vs. Lewiston ID—2001 (nine innings)  
6 by Dubuque Co. IA vs. Honolulu HI—2021  
4 by Danville IL vs. Festus MO—2019  
4 by Albuquerque NM vs. Danville IL—2019  
4 by Randolph Co. NC vs. Meridian ID—2018

### **TWO-TEAM**

10 by Danville CA (7) vs. Lewiston ID (3)—2001  
9 by Dubuque Co. IA (6) vs. Honolulu HI (3)—2021  
6 – Randolph Co. NC (4) vs. Meridian ID (2)—2018

## **MOST HIT BATTERS**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

4 by Chad Billingsley (Napoleon OH vs. Lewiston ID)—2001  
4 by J.P. George (Bloomington MN vs. Kennewick WA)—1999  
4 by Pat Muncher (Bedford VA vs. Salem OR)—1994  
4 by Bryce Marsh, Randolph Co. NC vs. Midland MI – 2018  
4 by Eli Green, Dubuque Co. IA vs. Beverly MA—2021  
4 by Thomas Wolfe, Chesapeake VA vs. Idaho Falls ID—2022

### **TEAM**

7 by Texarkana AR vs. Rowan County NC—2016  
5 by Dubuque Co. IA vs. Beverly MA—2021  
5 by Chesapeake VA vs. Idaho Falls ID—2022

### **TWO-TEAM**

8 – by Rowan County NC (2) vs. Kennewick WA (6)—2016  
6 by Randolph Co. NC (4) vs. Midland MI (2)—2018  
6 by Dubuque Co. IA (5) vs. Beverly MA (1)—2021



# Fielding

## TOTAL PUTOUTS

### INDIVIDUAL (first base)

19 by Travis Goins, Rowan County NC vs. Rapid City SD—1996 (10inn)

19 by Mike Barnard, Des Plaines IL vs. Warwick RI—1976 (13 innings)

13 by Bradley Thompson, Idaho Falls ID vs. Midland MI—2021`

### NINE INNING (regular game)

17 by Weston Bryan, Petaluma CA vs. Waipahu HI—2013

17 by Colin Dolan, Wilmington NC vs. Branford CT—2013

16 by Eric Ludman, Wilmington DE vs. Midland MI – 2018 (10)

### INDIVIDUAL (infielder)

8 by Mike Ramseth, Edina MN vs. Grand Junction CO—1982

5 by Bruer Webster 2b, Idaho Falls ID vs. Danville IL—2019

### INDIVIDUAL (catcher)

20 by Tim Gilhooly, Danville CA vs. Columbia SC—2000 (13 innings)

9 by Parker Schmidt, Las Vegas NV vs. Gonzales LA—2018

9 by Raymond Schlosser, Dubuque Co. IA vs. Idaho Falls ID—2021

8 by Stone Collier, Tupelo MS vs. Idaho Falls ID—2021

8 by RJ Woods, Idaho Falls ID vs. Tupelo MS—2021

### INDIVIDUAL (outfielder)

8 by Pat Desimone, Des Plaines vs. Metairie LA—1976

7 by Hunter Sasaki, Honolulu HI vs. Dubuque Co. IA—2021

6 by Caden Headlee cf Fargo ND vs. Idaho Falls ID—2019

### TEAM

52 by Brooklawn NJ and Bedford VA—1994

52 by West Covina CA and Manchester NH—1970

52 by Springfield OH and Omaha NE—1968

52 by Spartanburg SC and San Diego CA—1938

52 by South Chicago IL and Columbia SC—1931

Note: all games above went 14 innings

30 by Wilmington DE vs. Midland MI—2018 (10 innings)

30 by Midland MI vs. Wilmington DE—2018 (10 innings)

### TWO-TEAM

104 – Spartanburg SC (52) vs. San Diego Ca (52)—1938

Game ended in 8-8 tie after 14 innings.

104 by Brooklawn NJ and Bedford VA—1994

104 by West Covina CA and Manchester NH—1970

104 by Spartanburg SC and San Diego CA—1938

104 by South Chicago IL and Columbia SC—1931

60 by Midland MI vs. Wilmington DE—2018

## TOTAL ASSISTS

### INDIVIDUAL (infielder)

10 by Ronny Woods (ss) Dothan AL vs. Excelsior MN—2002

7 by Nate Thomas (ss) Wilmington DE vs. Midland MI—2018 (10)

7 by Chris Ludman (3b)(Wilmington DE vs. Midland MI—2018 (10)

6 by TJ Thomas (ss) Destrehan LA vs. Fargo ND—2019

5 by Tristian Marsh (ss) Randolph Co. NC vs. Midland MI—2018

5 by Nolan Freeman (3b) Braintree MA vs. Wilmington DE—2018

5 by Ty Yukumoto (2b) Honolulu HI vs. Fargo ND—2021

### INDIVIDUAL (outfielder)

3 by Mike Sinclair (Detroit MI vs. Hampton VA)—1959

3 by Zach Sandy (lf) Fargo ND vs. Shrewsbury MA—2019

2 by Marquez Munoz (lf) Albuquerque NM vs. Danville IL—2019

2 by Zach Sandy (lf) Fargo ND vs. Randolph Co. NC—2019

### INDIVIDUAL (catcher)

3 by Jerry Vaughn (Tulsa OK vs. Yakima WA)—1979

3 by Fred Combs (Phoenix AZ vs. Cincinnati OH)—1961

4 by Chandler Ibach (Fargo ND vs. Idaho Falls ID)—2019

### INDIVIDUAL (pitcher)

6 by Shane Robinson, Russellville AR vs. Blessfield MI—1994

6 by Darryl Schoenly, Boyertown PA vs. Hamlet NC—1983

6 by Dave Magadan, West Tampa FL vs. Omaha NE—1981

6 by Mike Boddicker, Cedar Rapids IA vs. Santa Monica CA—1976

6 by Scott Simonds, Cincinnati OH vs. Phoenix AZ—1961

6 by Harry Amato, Springfield OH vs. Minneapolis MN—1943

6 by Bob Danielson, Minneapolis MN vs. Springfield OH—1943

6 by Wes Kennerly, San Diego CA vs. Beryn IL—1941

6 by Merit Jones, Idaho Falls ID vs. Honolulu HI—2021

3 by Josh Sharman, Las Vegas NV vs. Wilmington DE—2018

3 by Chris Ludman, Wilmington DE vs. Las Vegas NV—2018

### TEAM

26 by DesPlaines IL vs. Warwick RI—1976 (13 innings)

16 by Wilmington DE vs. Midland MI—2018 (10 innings)

13 by Idaho Falls ID vs. Randolph Co. NY—2019

13 by Idaho Falls ID vs. Midland MI—2021

### TWO-TEAM

47 – DesPlaines IL (26) vs. Warwick RI (21)—1976 (13 innings)

26 – Wilmington DE (16) vs. Midland MI (10)—2018 (10 innings)

22 – Dubuque Co. IA (11) vs. Midland MI (11)—2021

22 – Honolulu HI (12) vs. Idaho Falls ID (10)—2021

## PASSED BALLS

### INDIVIDUAL

3 by Colin Gilbert (Napoleon OH vs. Danville CA)—2000

2 by Micah Zeller, Honolulu HI vs. Tupelo MS—2021

1 by Christian Sicillano, Shrewsbury MA vs. Randolph Co. NC—2019

1 by Brent Rigrup, Albuquerque NM vs. Destrehan LA—2019

1 by Joel Vaske, Dubuque Co. IA vs. Braintree MA – 2018

1 by Reid Bouchereau, Gonzales LA vs. Las Vegas NV – 2018

## TOTAL ERRORS

### INDIVIDUAL (infielder)

4 by Casey Garven (2b) Bloomington MN vs. Portland MI—1999

4 by Harry Rivera (ss) East Hartford CT vs. Brooklawn NJ—1992

4 by Tony Aquino (ss) Las Vegas NV vs. Brooklawn NJ—1984

4 by Steve Routos (ss) Bellevue WA vs. Richmond VA—1981

3 by Brandon Bagon, Albuquerque NM vs. Destrehan LA—2019

2 by Eli Mach (3b) Fargo ND vs. Honolulu HI—2021

2 by Eli Mach (3b) Fargo ND vs. Tupelo MS—2021

### INDIVIDUAL (outfielder)

2 by John Ivie, Columbia TN vs. Eden Prairie MN—2007

2 by Matt Webb (Blue Springs MO vs. Haddon Heights NJ—2003

1 by Caden Headlee (cf) Fargo ND vs. Idaho Falls ID—2019

1 by Mason Ecker (cf) Danville IL vs. Albuquerque NM—2019

1 by Roy Jennings (cf) Albuquerque NM vs. Destrehan LA—2019

1 by Issiah Gonzales (lf) Albuquerque NM vs. Destrehan LA—2019

1 by Tyler Hopping (rf) Shrewsbury MA vs. Fargo ND—2019

1 by Brayden Koenig (rf) Fargo ND vs. Destrehan LA—2019

1 by Jon Goiebiowski (lf) Wilmington DE vs. Dubuque Co. IA—2018

1 by Riley Harrison (rf) Meridian ID vs. Las Vegas NV—2018

1 by Jackson Duffy (cf) Braintree MA vs. Dubuque Co., IA—2018

1 by Spencer Lanier (lf) Randolph Co. NC vs. Las Vegas NV—2018

1 by Easton Hood (rf) Tupelo MS vs. Idaho Falls ID—2021

1 by Nolan Sanders (cf) Midland MI vs. Dubuque Co. IA—2021

1 by Avain Rivera (rf) Midland MI vs. Idaho Falls ID—2021

1 by Tyler Petrosino (cf) Beverly MA vs. Midland MI—2021

1 by Jerin Po'Opaa-Adaro (lf) Honolulu HI vs. Idaho Falls ID—2021

1 b Oliver Lucht (cf) Fargo ND vs. Ridge MD—2021

1 by Ethan Claus (rf) Fargo ND vs. Ridge MD—2021

1 by Brennan Frost (rf) Beverly MA vs. Idaho Falls ID—2021



## INDIVIDUAL (catcher)

3 by Mike Pratt, El Dorado KN vs. Yonkers NY—1926

1 by Christian Sicilano, Shrewsbury MA vs. Idaho Falls ID—2019

1 by Chandler Ibach, Fargo ND vs. Randolph Co. NC—2019

1 by Chandler Ibach, Fargo ND vs. Shrewsbury MA—2019

1 by Marshall Awtry, Wilmington DE vs. Gonzales LA—2018

1 by Reed Babin, Gonzales LA vs. Dubuque Co. IA—2018

1 by Nick Dardas, Midland MI vs. Wilmington DE—2018

1 by Tate Gustafson, Fargo ND vs. Honolulu HI—2021

1 by Owen Huehergrath, Dubuque Co. IA vs. Beverly MA—2021

1 by Micah Zeller, Honolulu HI vs. Idaho Falls ID—2021

## INDIVIDUAL (pitcher)

2 by Tom Taylor, Los Angeles CA vs. Manchester NH—1942

2 by Nick Lorio, Destrehan LA vs. Albuquerque NM—2019

## TEAM

14 by Roseburg OR vs. Omaha NE—1963

5 by Albuquerque NM vs. Danville IL—2019

4 by Fargo ND vs. Honolulu HI—2021

4 by Midland MI vs. Dubuque Co. IA—2021

3 by Midland MI vs. Las Vegas NV—2018

3 by Braintree MA vs. Dubuque Co. IA—2018

## TWO-TEAM

16 – Northbrook IL (12) vs. Oakland CA (4)—1966

16 – Roseburn OR (14) vs. Omaha NE (2)—1966

7 -- Shrewsbury MA (4) vs. Fargo ND (3)—2019

5 – Idaho Falls ID (3) vs. Dubuque Co. IA (2)—2021

5 – Tupelo MS (3) vs. Idaho Falls ID (2)—2021

4 – Midland MI (3) vs. Las Vegas NV (1)—2018

4 – Braintree MA (3) vs. Dubuque IA (1)—2018

## TOTAL DOUBLE PLAYS (turned)

### TEAM

4 by Burnsville MN vs. Brooklawn NJ—2013

4 by Las Vegas NV vs. Midland MI—2011

4 by Las Vegas NV vs. Moline IL—2010

4 by Corvallis OR vs. Rochester MN—2003

4 by State College PA vs. Jefferson City MO—1998

4 by Rapid City SD vs. Rockland CO NY—1993

4 by Los Angeles CA vs. Manchester NH—1942

3 by Idaho Falls ID vs. Randolph Co. NC—2019

## TWO-TEAM

6 by Las Vegas NV (4) vs. Midland MI (2)—2011

6 by Pasco Twin Cities WA (3) vs. Brooklawn NJ (3)—2005

6 by Medford OR (3) vs. Rapid City SD (3)—2002

4 by Idaho Falls ID (3) vs. Randolph Co. NC (1)—2019

## TRIPLE PLAYS

### TEAM

1 by Deland FL vs. Portland ME—2004 (fifth inning)

1 by Rockland CO NY vs. Rapid City SD—1996 (third inning)

1 by Wilmington Manor DE vs. Manchester NH—1967 (1 inning)

1 by Enid OK vs. Oakland CA—1966 (seventh inning)

1 by Cincinnati OH vs. Portland OR—1957 (fifth inning)

1 by Oakland CA vs. Cincinnati OH—1949 (third inning)

## LEFT ON BASE

### TEAM

20 by Danville CA vs. Omaha NE—2001

14 by Gonzales LA vs. Wilmington DE—2018

11 by Dubuque IA vs. Idaho Falls—2021

11 by Tupelo MS vs. Idaho Falls—2021

## TWO-TEAM

32 – Warwick RI (17) vs. DesPlaines IL (15)—1976 (13 innings)

31 – Newark OH (16) vs. Union City CA (15)—1991 (nine innings)

22 – Idaho Falls ID (11) vs. Fargo ND (11)—2019 championship game

22 – Randolph Co. NC (12) vs. Las Vegas NV (10)—2018

20 – Beverly MA (10) vs. Midland MI (10)—2021

20 – Tupelo MS (11) vs. Idaho Falls ID (9)—2021

# Individual, team, two-team Tournament records (national regional and ALWS)

# Offense

## MOST AT BATS

### INDIVIDUAL

60 by Tom Proutt, Cincinnati OH—1955

42 by Zach Kluvers, Fargo ND—2019

39 by Bruer Webster, Idaho Falls ID—2019

39 by Cole Hage, Fargo ND—2019

39 by Jackson McCoy, Tupelo MS—2021

### TEAM

438 by Pasco Twin Cities WA—2005

323 by Fargo ND—2019

285 by Tupelo MS—2021

258 by Wilmington DE—2018

## MOST RUNS

### INDIVIDUAL

23 by David Ward, New Orleans LA—1983

16 by Zach Sandy, Fargo ND—2019

16 by Khi Holliday, Tupelo MS—2021

13 by Sam Link, Dubuque Co. IA—2018

13 by Jason Sharman, Las Vegas NV—2018

### TEAM

133 by New Brighton MN—1999

79 by Fargo ND—2019

78 by Tupelo MS—2021

## MOST HITS

### INDIVIDUAL

30 by Chito Martinez, New Orleans LA—1983

19 by Zach Sandy, Fargo ND—2019

18 by Ernest Plummer, Danville IL—2019

16 by Bruer Webster, Idaho Falls ID—2019

16 by Martin Money, Midland MI—2018

16 by Jackson McCoy, Tupelo MS—2021

### TEAM

161 by Medford OR—1997

116 by Fargo ND—2019

106 by Idaho Falls ID—2021

100 by Danville IL—2019

## **MOST TWO-BASE HITS**

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### **INDIVIDUAL**

11 by Nate Philo, Medford OR—1997

6 by Trevor Marsh, Randolph Co. NC—2019

5 by Nate Thomas, Wilmington DE—2018

### **TEAM**

41 by Chino CA—1994

23 by Idaho Falls ID—2021

19 by Fargo ND—2019

19 by Wilmington DE—2018

19 by Las Vegas NV—2018

## **MOST THREE-BASE HITS**

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### **INDIVIDUAL**

5 by Bill Wilson, Cedar Rapids IA—1975

5 by Horace Tucker, San Diego CA—1952

1 by Tate Gustafson, Fargo ND vs. Tupelo MS – 2021

1 by Griffin Clark, Midland MI vs. Beverly MA – 2021

1 by Cole Smith, Dubuque Co IA vs. Midland MI – 2021

1 by Demetri Jamison, Ridge MD vs. Fargo ND – 2021

1 by Stephen Klein, Destrehan LA vs. Albuquerque NM – 2019

1 by Austin Colmery, Wilmington DE vs. Gonzales LA – 2018

1 by Edarian Williams, Las Vegas NV vs. Randolph Co. NC – 2018

### **TEAM**

12 by San Diego CA—1954

4 by Las Vegas NV—2018

## **MOST HOME RUNS**

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### **INDIVIDUAL**

9 by Marc Damon, Tucson AZ—2007

3 by Ron Franklin, Destrehan LA—2019

2 by Stephen Klein, Destrehan LA—2019

2 by Patrick Boudreaux, Destrehan LA—2019

2 by Andin Johnson, Tupelo MS—2021

### **TEAM**

36 by Tucson AZ—2007

7 by Destrehan LA—2019

7 by Tupelo MS—2021

4 by Wilmington DE—2018

## **MOST EXTRA BASE HITS**

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### **INDIVIDUAL**

14 by Nate Philo, Medford OR—1997

Note: 11 doubles, 2 triples, 1 home run

7 by Nate Thomas, Wilmington DE—2018

Note: 5 doubles, 1 triple, 1 home run)

### **TEAM**

57 by Medford OR—1997 (35—2B, 4—3B, 18—HR)

26 by Wilmington DE—2018 (19—2B, 3—3B, 4—HR)

25 by Idaho Falls ID—2021 (23—2B, 0—3B, 2—HR)

25 by Tupelo MS—2021 (17—2B, 1—3B, 7—HR )

## **MOST TOTAL BASES**

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### **INDIVIDUAL**

48 by Brian Paone, New Brighton MN—2019

22 by Jackson McCoy, Tupelo MS—2021

20 by Austin Colmery, Wilmington DE—2018

### **TEAM**

258 by Medford OR—1997

135 by Idaho Falls ID—2021

129 by Tupelo MS—2021

122 by Las Vegas NV—2018

## **MOST RBI**

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### **INDIVIDUAL**

30 by John Cruz, Yakima WA—1979

15 by Bryan Marsh, Randolph Co. NC—2018

13 by Stone Collier, Tupelo MS—2021

13 by Easton Hood, Tupelo MS—2021

### **TEAM**

120 by Tucson AZ—2007

72 by Tupelo MS—2021

58 by Las Vegas NV—2018

## **MOST BASE ON BALLS**

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### **INDIVIDUAL**

14 by Matt Sinatra, Bellevue WA—2012

10 by Tristian Marsh, Randolph Co. NC—2018

### **TEAM**

95 by Brooklawn NJ—1984

47 by Las Vegas NV—2018

41 by Tupelo MS—2021

## **MOST STRIKEOUTS (by hitter)**

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### **INDIVIDUAL**

15 by John Engers, Danville CA—2000

15 by Clyde Williams, Sanford FL—1997

11 by Philip McCarthy, Ridge MD—2021

8 by Austin Colmery, Wilmington DE—2018

### **TEAM**

95 by Lewiston ID—2001

55 by Wilmington DE—2018

53 by Ridge MD—2021

## **MOST STOLEN BASES**

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### **INDIVIDUAL**

14 by TJ White, Las Vegas NV—2011

14 by Brian Musselman, Boyertown PA—1986

14 by Tomas Gil, Hialeah FL—1978

14 by Rene White, Memphis TN—1973

8 by Khi Holliday, Tupelo MS—2021

7 by Jack Dubecq, Wilmington DE—2018

### **TEAM**

56 by Midwest City OK—2010

56 by Boyertown PA—2004

32 by Idaho Falls ID—2021

29 by Tupelo MS—2021

22 by Wilmington DE—2018

## **MOST SACRIFICES**

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### **INDIVIDUAL**

10 by Kyle Geason, Eden Prairie MN (7F/3H)—2007

4 by Mike Cautillo, Wilmington DE (4H)—2018

### **TEAM**

24 by Eden Prairie MN—2007

11 by Midland MI—2021

11 by Idaho Falls ID—2021

7 by Wilmington DE—2018

## HIGHEST BATTING AVERAGE

### INDIVIDUAL

.679 by Doug Palmer, New Ulm MN—1978  
.632 by Chad Opel, Edwardsville IL—1998  
.600 by Ivan Snyder, Boyertown PA—1982  
.600 by Ron Franklin, Destrehan LA—2019  
.555 by Sam Link, Dubuque Co. IA—2018

### TEAM

.396 by Edwardsville IL—1998 (147-of-371)  
.374 by Las Vegas NV—2018 (89-of-238)

# Pitching

## MOST APPEARANCES (starter/reliever)

### INDIVIDUAL

by Tris Lipscomb, Midlothian VA—1985  
4 by Sam Goodman, Dubuque Co. IA—2018  
4 by Chris Ludman, Wilmington DE—2018  
4 by Jimmy Gamboa, Las Vegas NV—2018  
4 by Josh Sharman, Las Vegas NV—2018

## MOST APPEARANCES (reliever)

### INDIVIDUAL

8 by Michael Badger, Rochester MN—2003  
3 by Trevor Marsh, Randolph Co. NC—2018

## MOST INNINGS PITCHED

### INDIVIDUAL

51.0 by Butch Vargas, Oakland CA—1966  
26.2 by Chris Ludman, Wilmington DE—2018

## MOST STRIKEOUTS (1960 and 8-team format)

### INDIVIDUAL

69 by Chris Mason, Cherryville NC—2003  
25 by Jimmy Gamboa, Las Vegas NV—2018  
25 by Merit Jones, Idaho Falls ID—2021

### TEAM

106 by Sacramento CA—1985  
68 by Idaho Falls ID—2021  
61 by Tupelo MS—2021  
55 by Dubuque Co. IA—2021  
55 by Las Vegas NV—2018

## MOST STRIKEOUTS (including sectionals)

### INDIVIDUAL

84 by Wayne Thompson, Maplewood MN—1954

Note: including sectionals, national regionals and World Series tournaments.

## MOST BASE ON BALLS

### INDIVIDUAL

32 by Pete Torgenson, Rapid City SD—1984  
14 by Merit Jones, Idaho Falls ID—2021  
11 by Dawson Painter, Randolph Co. NC—2018

### TEAM

69 by Yardley PA—1996  
41 by Idaho Falls ID—2021  
38 by Wilmington DE—2018

## MOST WILD PITCHES

### INDIVIDUAL

7 by Madison Boer, Eden Prairie MN—2007  
6 by Eli Greene, Dubuque Co. IA—2021  
4 by Merit Jones, Idaho Falls ID—2021

### TEAM

19 by Chino CA—1994  
19 by Idaho Falls ID—2021  
17 by Dubuque Co. IA—2021

## MOST VICTORIES (national competition)

### INDIVIDUAL

6 by Butch Vargas (6-0), Oakland CA—1966  
6 by Bob Miller (6-0), St. Louis MO—1956  
6 by Bill Joyce (6-0), Buffalo NY—1929  
6 by Charles Hardt (6-0), Oakland CA—1928  
3 by Sam Goodman (3-0), Dubuque Co. IA—2018  
3 by Chris Ludman, Wilmington DE—2018  
3 by Jimmy Gamboa, Las Vegas NV—2018

## MOST VICTORIES (ALWS only)

### INDIVIDUAL

3 by Scott Beasley, Columbia TN—2007  
3 by Tris Lipscomb, Midlothian VA—1985  
3 by John Babel, Boyertown PA—1980  
3 by Butch Vargas, Oakland CA—1966  
3 by Jim Harwell, New Orleans LA—1956  
3 by Bob Miller, St. Louis MO—1956  
2-0 by Chris Ludman Wilmington DE—2018  
2-0 by Jimmy Gamboa, Las Vegas NV—2018

## MOST SAVES

### INDIVIDUAL

5 by Jeff Malm, Las Vegas NV—2008  
1 by Preston Thrash, Gonzales LA—2018  
1 by Jeff Allen, Midland MI—2018  
1 by Seth Gower, Midland MI—2018  
1 by Alex Nielebeck, Meridian ID—2018  
1 by Hunter Hirayama, Honolulu HI—2021  
1 by Erik Bell, Honolulu HI—2021

### TEAM

6 by Enid OK—2005  
6 by Rockport IN—2016  
4 by Idaho Falls ID—2021  
2 by Midland MI—2018

## MOST COMBINED WINS/SAVES

### INDIVIDUAL

7 by Tris Lipscomb (5-0 with 2 saves), Midlothian VA—1985

## LOWEST ERA (min. 20 innings)

### INDIVIDUAL

0.00 by Matt Brown, Danville CA—2000  
0.00 by Fernando Rodriguez, Miami FL—1994  
0.00 by Ken Fila, Omaha NE—1965

## LOWEST ERA (min. 9 innings)

### INDIVIDUAL

0.00 by Chris Ludman, Wilmington DE—2018 (26.2 innings)

### TEAM

1.05 by Danville CA—2000

1.61 by Las Vegas NV—2018  
1.91 by Midland MI—2021

# Fielding

## MOST PUTOUTS

### INDIVIDUAL

122 by Geoffrey Kirksey (1B), Paducah KY—2000  
87 by Eric Ludman, Wilmington DE—2018  
56 by Stone Collier, Tupelo MS—2021

### TEAM

318 by Enid OK—2005  
218 by Midland MI—2018  
210 by Honolulu HI—2021

## MOST ASSISTS

### INDIVIDUAL

41 by Andy Neufeld (SS), Sanford FL—1997  
41 by Brandon Sullivan, Boyertown PA—2007  
26 by Hunter Hirayama, Honolulu HI—2021  
24 by Mike Cautillo, Wilmington DE—2018

### TEAM

144 by Gonzales LA—1996  
104 by Wilmington DE—2018  
93 by Midland MI—2021

## MOST ERRORS

### INDIVIDUAL

13 by Todd Bramble (SS), Salem OR—1994  
6 by Mac Jephson, Idaho Falls ID—2021  
6 by Lee Pacheco, Beverly MA—2021  
3 by Isaiah Vega, Meridian ID—2018

### TEAM

38 by Bellevue WA—1995  
23 by Tupelo MS—2021  
19 by Beverly MA—2021  
15 by Idaho Falls ID—2021

## FEWEST ERRORS

### TEAM

6 by Chapin Newberry SC—2015  
6 by New Orleans LA—2012  
4 by Ridge MD—2021

## MOST DOUBLE PLAYS

### TEAM

18 by Texarkana AR—2016  
13 by Midland MI—2021

## MOST TRIPLE PLAYS

### TEAM – 1

Deland FL—2004  
Rockland County NY—1996  
Wilmington Manor DE—1967  
Enid OK—1966  
Cincinnati OH—1957  
Oakland CA—1949

## HIGHEST FIELDING PCT.

### INDIVIDUAL (min. 100 chances)

1.000 by John Brue (1B), Brooklawn NJ—2012  
1.000 by Russell Bourland (1B), West Point MS—2002

## HIGHEST FIELDING PCT.

### INDIVIDUAL (min. 50 chances)

.986 by Jackson Bennett, Dubuque Co. IA—2018 (72-0-1)

### TEAM

.978 by New Orleans LA—2012  
.978 by Cherryville NC—2003  
.984 by Ridge MD—2021 ('65-76-4)  
.971 by Dubuque Co. IA—2018 (179-92-8)

# General records

## MOST RUNS (inning)

### TEAM

13 by Cincinnati OH vs. Kingston NY—1988 (third inning)

### TWO-TEAM

15 by Las Vegas NV (8) vs. Excelsior MN (7)—1998 (fourth inning)

## MOST HITS (inning)

### TEAM

10 by Sanford FL vs. Medford OR—1997 (sixth inning)  
10 by Cincinnati OH vs. Kingston NY—1988 (third inning)

### TWO-TEAM

13 by Sanford FL (10) vs. Medford OR (3)—1997 (sixth inning)

## LONGEST GAME (innings)

14 by Brooklawn NJ beat Bedford MA, 5-4 in 1994  
14 by West Covina CA beat Manchester NH, 1-0 in 1970  
14 by Springfield OH beat Omaha NE, 3-1 in 1968  
14 by Manchester NH beat Nashville TN, 9-8 in 1966  
14 by Spartanburg SC and San Diego CA tied 8-8 in 1938  
14 by South Chicago IL beat Columbia SC, 1-0 in 1931  
13 by Eden Prairie MN beat Tupelo MS, 5-4 in 2011

## SHORTEST GAME (inning)

5 by Yonkers NY beat El Dorado KN, 18-1 in 1926 (parade)  
5 by Las Vegas NV beat Meridian ID, 10-0 in 2018 (run rule)

## LONGEST GAME (time)

4:40 – Spartanburg SC vs. San Diego CA—1938 (14 innings)  
2:53 – Randolph Co. NC vs. Las Vegas NV—2018  
2:48 – Tupelo MS vs. Idaho Falls ID—2021

## SHORTEST GAME (time)

1:29 – Cincinnati OH vs. West Hartford CT—1973  
1:19 – Gonzales LA vs. Braintree MA—2018  
1:28 – Dubuque Co. IA vs. Midland MI—2021

## MOST APPEARANCES (team)

17 by Omaha NE  
1939-1948-1961-1963-1965-1968-1970-1981-1985  
1994-2000-2001-2008-2012-2014-2015-2016  
Note: Omaha entries are multiple teams

## MOST APPEARANCES (individual)

4 by Mike Rucci, Brooklawn NJ (1998-1999-2000-2001)  
3 by Erik VanMeeten, Las Vegas NV (2008-2009-2001)  
3 by Mike Boddicker, Cedar Rapids IA (1974-1975-1976)  
3 by Dave McNally, Billings MT (1960-1961-1962)

## **CONSECUTIVE APPEARANCES**

5 by Brooklawn NJ in 2011-2012-2013-2014-2015

## **MOST TIMES IN FINALS**

11 by metro New Orleans LA (includes Metairie)

1929-1930-1932-1934-1937-1946

1956-1960-2006-2012-2015

9 by Cincinnati OH

1944-1947-1949-1952-1955-1957-1958-1961-1988

## **MOST CHAMPIONSHIPS**

7 by Cincinnati OH

1944-1947-1952-1955-1957-1958-1988

## **CONSECUTIVE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

2 by Brooklawn NJ in 2013-2014

2 by Rio Piedras PR in 1973-1974

2 by West Covina CA in 1970-1971

2 by Cincinnati OH in 1957-1958

2 by Oakland CA in 1949-1950

## **MOST TOURNAMENT GAMES**

75 by metro New Orleans LA in 18 tournament appearances

69 by Brooklawn NJ in 14 tournament appearances

## **MOST TOURNAMENT GAMES WON**

44 by Brooklawn NJ ( 44-25) in 16 tournament appearances

## **MOST TOURNAMENT GAMES LOST**

31 by metro New Orleans LA (43-31-1) in 18 tournament appearances

## **MOST WINS BY CHAMPIONSHIP CLUB**

75 by Las Vegas Bishop Gorman (75-7) in 2008

71 by Mayo MD (71-7) in 1990

## **MOST LOSSES BY CHAMPIONSHIP CLUB**

22 by Yakima WA (52-22) in 1975

## **FEWEST WINS BY CHAMPIONSHIP CLUB**

19 by Oakland CA (19-0) in 1928

## **FEWEST LOSSES BY CHAMPIONSHIP CLUB**

0 by Oakland CA (19-0) in 1928

0 by Yonkers NY in 1926

## **HIGHEST WIN PCT. CHAMPIONSHIP CLUB**

1.000 by Oakland CA (19-0) in 1928

1,000 by Yonkers NY in 1926 at 1.000

## **LOWEST WIN PCT. CHAMPIONSHIP CLUB**

.698 by Upland CA (37-16) in 1964

## **MOST RUNS SCORED (alws only)**

282 in Las Vegas NV—1998 (15 games)

137 in Shelby NC—2021 (15 games)

109 in Shelby NC—2018 (15 games)

## **FEWEST RUNS SCORED (alws only)**

79 in Memphis TN—1967 (15 games)

109 in Shelby NC—2018

137 in Shelby NC—2021

## **MOST TWO-BASE HITS (alws only)**

187 in Rapid City SD—1997 (15 games)

37 in Shelby NC—2018

30 in Shelby NC—2021

## **MOST TRIPLES (alws only)**

25 in Fargo ND—1995 (15 games)

4 in Shelby NC—2021

2 in Shelby NC—2018

## **MOST HOME RUNS (alws only)**

46 in Bartlesville OK—2007 (15 games)

3 in Shelby NC—2021

3 in Shelby NC—2018

## **MOST ONE-RUN GAMES (alws only)**

10 in Shelby NC—2015 (15 games)

7 in Shelby NC—2018

## **MOST SHUTOUTS (alws only)**

5 in Memphis TN—1967 (15 games)

5 in Little Rock AR—1964 (15 games)

5 in Hastings NE—1960 (15 games)

4 in Shelby NC—2018

## **FEWEST SHUTOUTS (alws only)**

0 in Shelby NC—2015 (15 games)

0 in Spokane WA—2010 (15 games)

0 in Bartlesville OK—2007 (15 games)

0 in Bartlesville OK—2003 (15 games)

0 in Middletown CT—1999 (15 games)

0 in Las Vegas NV—1998 (15 games)

0 in New Orleans LA—1984 (15 games)

0 in Ely MN—1980 (15 games)

0 in Yakima WA—1978 (14 games)

0 in Billings MT—1957 (6 games)

0 in Yakima WA—1954 (7 games)

0 in Los Angeles CA—1947 (6 games)

0 in Charlotte NC—1945 (6 games)

0 in Minneapolis MN—1944 (7 games)

0 in Miles City MT—1943 (9 games)

0 in Albermarle NC—1940 (5 games)

0 in Omaha NE—1939 (4 games)

0 in Spartanburg SC—1938 (5 games)

0 in Spartanburg SC—1936 (5 games)

0 in Gastonia NC—1935 (3 games)

0 in Chicago IL—1934 (3 games)

0 in New Orleans LA—1933 (2 games)

0 in Manchester NH—1932 (4 games)

0 in Memphis TN—1930 (2 games)

0 in Louisville KY—1929 (3 games)

0 in Philadelphia PA—1926 (5 games)

1 in Shelby NC—2021 (15 games)

## **MOST EXTRA INNING GAMES (alws only)**

4 in Bartlesville OK—2007 (15 games)

2 in Shelby NC—2018

## **MOST SACRIFICES IN ONE INNING**

### **INDIVIDUAL**

2 by Brett Casey (Corvallis OR vs. Rochester MN)—2003

Note: one sac bunt and one sac fly in third inning)



Robbie Podrosky of Gonzales LA set a ALWS record stealing second, third and home all in the same inning. The all-star second baseman was also selected at the recipient of the James F. Daniel Sportsmanship Award.





**JJ Guinozzo (in red) and Joanne McClellan (in black) have been the ALWS official scorers since Series moved to Shelby NC**



**William Dunn of Gonzales LA and family enjoying pre-tourney uptown party celebration in Shelby NC**



**Nick Muzzi gives thumbs up on winning ALWS**



**2017 rain delay at the ALWS in Shelby.**



Last year (2017) Allyson Coryell, assistant coach for Hopewell NJ became the first female coach in ALWS history.



Cooper Lund of Lewiston ID pitches against Hopewell NJ in 2017 ALWS





# ALWS highlights, scores, 1926-present

## 1926 – Yonkers NY Post 321



PHILADELPHIA PA – Yonkers NY Post 321 won the American Legion's first World Series baseball championship with a resounding victory over runner-up Pocatello ID, 23-6.

The tournament was held in conjunction with the legion's national convention in Philadelphia, Oct. 11-13

The finals matched unbeaten teams with Yonkers prevailing. Major League baseball commissioner Judge K. M. Landis was in attendance of 3,000 in Sesquicentennial Stadium.

Jack 'Babe' McCormick was the hero of the tournament going 7-for-12 and a .583 average. Yonkers banged out 17 hits with McCormick hitting a home run (third in the Series).

Joining Yonkers and Pocatello in the tournament were El Dorado KN and Springfield OH.

52,000 boys participated in the legion's first year of national competition.

## 1927

There was no national tournament in 1927 although legion baseball continued on local level.



## 1928 – Oakland CA Post 5



CHICAGO IL – Oakland CA Post 5 capped an undefeated season as the Golden State champion swept Worcester MA, 2-games-to-0 to win the American Legion World Series championship.

Coach Leroy Sharpe's chargers dominated rivals all season, outscoring opponents, 186-6 including 14 shutout victories.

Charles Hardt and Al Silva shared pitching duties. Hardt, a hard throwing southpaw won a record six games in national competition and allowed only three runs in 77 innings. Silva gave up just two runs in 67 innings.

Oakland's hitting star was third baseman Einar Sorensen. He hit .422 during the season and .500 in the Series. He went 3-for-4 in

the championship game as Oakland ended its all winning season at 19-0.

## 1929 – Buffalo NY Post 721



LOUISVILLE KY – Credit team captain Bill Joyce for winning the 1929 American Legion World Series for Buffalo NY Post 721.

The multi-talented athlete led the Bisons to a 2-game-to-1 series triumph over the New Orleans White Sox. He tossed a complete game victory on opening day and then came back to win the third and deciding game. He was a big hit offensively also going 2-for-5 in the championship game.

He went 14-0 on the season and a recording setting 6-0 in national competition as Buffalo finished at 25-1. The only setback was New Orleans game two win, 16-9. New Orleans set a record with 20 hits in that game.

Baseball commissioner Judge Kenesaw Landis praised the play of the Bisons in the post-game awards.



## 1930 – Baltimore MD Post 81



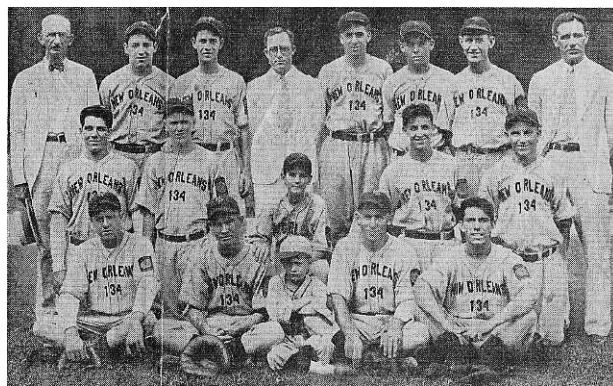
MEMPHIS TN – Baltimore MD Post 81 swept New Orleans LA to win the ALWS 2-games-to-0 at Russwood Park.

It was another disappoint for New Orleans as the Crescent City entry finished second for the second consecutive season.

Baltimore won the open in 10 innings, 5-4 pushing across the winning run on a squeeze bunt by Bill Stiner. He laid down a perfect bunt scoring Andy Bolognese.

In the finals, Herbert Newberg and Norman Weiner each picked up three rbi and two hits to give Clarence Koslowski the victory on the mound.

## 1932 – New Orleans LA Post 132



MANCHESATER NH – New Orleans, twice the bridesmaid but never the bride, finally broke into the winners circle claiming the 1932 American Legion World Series title.

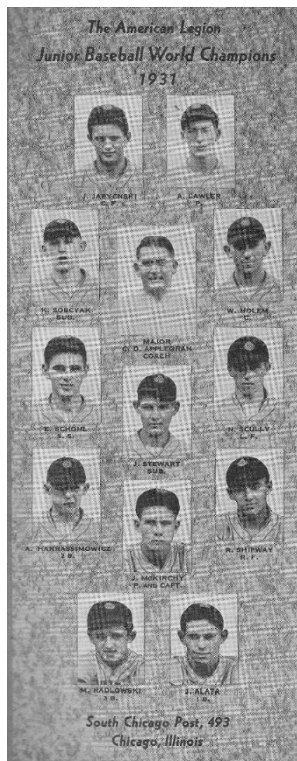
The Zatarain Papooses from Post 132 rallied twice edging Springfield MA, 2-games-to-1. One game ended in a tie.

It was first or nothing for captain Jimmy Fraiche as the spunky little shortstop played flawless on defense and was a big hit at the plate to earn instant hero status in New Orleans.

In the championship, Fraiche singled home the winning run with a two-out ninth inning rally.

The entire series was marked with close games including the Series first time game in history, 5-5 in 12 innings.

## 1931 – South Chicago IL Post 493



HOUSTON TX – The championship game of the 1931 American Legion World Series will always go down in the books as "the classic game" with South Chicago IL Post 493 defeating Columbia SC.

The Illini won the series 2-games-to-0.

The "classic game" in the championship finale pitted So. Chicago's Al Lawler and Columbia's Kirby Higbe.

The old fashion pitching duel lasted 14 innings and when the dust had settled, Lawler prevailed, 1-0. He fanned a tournament record 17 strikeouts while Higbe fanned 10.

Wally Holem scored the game's lone run in top of the 14th. It would be another 87 years until another championship thriller would end in 1-0 game (2018).

## 1933 – Chicago IL Post 467



NEW ORLEANS LA – Future Major Leaguer Phil Cavarretta led Chicago IL Post 467 to the American Legion World Series title.

Chicago swept Trenton NJ, 2-games-to-0.

Cavarretta won the series opener with a complete game 14-5 victory and then came back in relief to win the championship game, 7-6.

He fanned five and gave up just one him in the finals.

Dan Krause scored from first in the bottom of the ninth on a Ted Swed's two-out single off the rightfield wall. Swed's winning blast came on a 0-2 count.



## 1934 – Cumberland MD Post 13



CHICAGO IL – Cumberland MD Post 13 rallied from a 1-0 series deficit to beat New Orleans, 2-games-to-1 for the 1934 American Legion World Series.

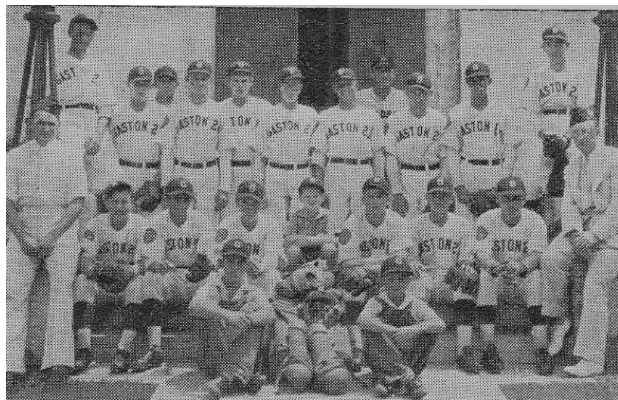
Chicago's Major League ballparks – Wigley Field, home of the Cubs and Comiskey Park, home of the White Sox served hosts to the ALWS.

New Orleans won the opener at Comiskey Park followed by a win by Cumberland at Wigley Field.

Back at Comiskey Park for the deciding game, Cumberland's Roland Triplett went the distance handcuffing New Orleans, 6-1. He fanned nine and tossed a three-hitter.

Team captain Charley Clark, the series top hitter had two hits including a triple and scored twice.

## 1935 – Gastonia NC Post 23



GASTONIA NC – Gastonia NC Post 23 gave its hometown fans something to cheer about as they became the first team to win the American Legion World Series while playing on home turf.

The Eastern Sectional champions swept the Western champion San Diego CA, 3-games-to-0.

The Series format switched from the best-of-three to best-of-five in 1935 and the site would be at either the home of the eastern or western winner.

13,000 fans attended the clincher as Gastonia won 12-8 behind 16-hit attack.

28,900 fans attended the series.

## 1936 – Spartanburg SC Post 28



SPARTANBURG SC – An all time record crowd of 60,000 turned out in this tiny South Carolina hamlet to witness the 1936 American Legion World Series.

Home-standing Spartanburg SC Post 28 beating visiting Los Angeles CA, 3-games-to-2.

The championship game at Duncan Park was played before a record crowd of 20,000 mostly partisan fans.

Pepper Martin (three hits) and Pete Fowler (three rbi) propelled Spartanburg to the 8-1 victory.

For Spartans hit over .500 in national competition. Fowler hit .550 while Martin, Pedro Mahaffey and Roy Prince each hit .500. The team blistered opponents with a .317 average.

## 1937 – East Lynn MA Post 291



NEW ORLEANS LA – Domination was the word during the 1937 American Legion World Series as East Lynn MA Post 291 swept home standing New Orleans LA, 3-games-to-0.

The eastern champion made it simple outscoring the western champion, 30-6.

The series clincher was a 13-5 victory in which East Lynn collected 17 hits. 8,438 fans in Heinman Park watched in disbelief.

Ray Bessom was the hitting and pitching star for the winners. He hit .555 in the tournament.

On the mound, he picked up victories in the games one and two in the series and came back in the championship game to register a save. He fanned 55 in national competition and finished the season at 28-0.

East Lynn sported a near perfect 38-1 record on the season.

With the loss, New Orleans record in the World Series stands at 1-4 having won in 1932 and finished second in 1929, 1930, 1934 and 1937.



## 1938 – San Diego CA Post 6



SPARTANBURG SC – San Diego CA Post 6 returned the American Legion World Series title back to sunny California for the first time since 1928 as the Golden State champions slipped past host Spartanburg SC.

The series was the most evenly matched in ALWS history. San Diego won 3-games-to-2 with one tie (the second in series history).

The opener lasted 14 innings (longest in ALWS history) and settled absolutely nothing as the teams battled to 8-8 tie.

With the series knotted at 2-2, the championship game featured a pitching duel between San Diego's Chet Kehn (10 strikeouts and four hits allowed) and Spartanburg's Charlie Cudd (seven strikeouts and no walks).

Fernando Paredes' two rbi single gave San Diego the edge and the victory. Kehn, a lanky right-hander retired the final eight batters to secure the title.

## 1939 – Omaha NE Post 1



OMAHA NE – Omaha NE Post 1 became the third team since 1935 to win the American Legion World Series while playing at home.

The Nebraskans methodically rolled over visiting Berwyn IL, 3-games-to-1.

Bud Blessie was the pitching star going 5-0 in national play. He posted a pair of victories in the series.

Berwyn's Eddie Goralski led the series in hitting with a nifty 8-for-16 .500 average.

12,800 in Fontenelle Park saw the finals with Omaha prevailing 6-2.

## 1940 – Albemarle NC Post 76



ALBEMARLE NC – In one of the greatest comebacks in sports, Albemarle NC Post 76 won the 1940 American Legion World Series beating long time power San Diego, 3-games-to-2.

And they did it the hard way. Albemarle lost the first two games but roared back to win the fifth and deciding game before a happy home gathering.

The eastern champion Albemarle had to squelch a ninth inning rally to preserve the victory.

The final out was made on an attempted squeeze play. Albemarle catcher Hoyle Boger called for a pitchout. The call was right as a surprised San Diego runner was nailed down at the plate.

J.W. 'Lefty' Lisk picked up his 22nd victory of the season in the championship game. Teammate Clyde Dick hit .452 in the national competition as Albemarle ended its most successful season at 31-7.

## 1941 – San Diego CA Post 6



SAN DIEGO CA – Bouncing back from the disaster of 1940, San Diego CA Post 6 shutdown Berwyn IL, 3-games-to-0 to win the American Legion World Series championship.

By erasing the pain of 1940, San Diego's victory marked the first time a team has won two ALWS crowns. San Diego also won the 1938 championship.

The San Diego success was mainly attributed to the pitching and fielding of Bob Usher.

Usher picked up the victory in game one limiting the visitors to three hits via an 8-0 shutout. He came back with his defensive skills during game two with a diving game ending (and game saving) catch in the ninth inning with the bases loaded to preserve a 1-0 victory.



In the championship game, he combined his pitching and hitting. He went 3-for-3 at the plate and picked up a save with two hitless innings and three strikeouts.

### 1942 – Los Angeles CA Post 357



MANCHESTER NH – California laid claim to baseball supremacy in amateur baseball ranks during 1942 as Los Angeles CA Post 357 won the American Legion World Series, 3-games-to-0 over host Manchester NH.

It was California's second straight national title and fourth in legion in history.

Bob Moore, a 6-0 hard throwing pitcher mastered the eastern champions on four hits in the championship game. He fanned seven and walked one.

Pitching was Los Angeles' strongpoint as Dan Brown and Tom Radcliff joined Moore with complete game victories in the series.

### 1943 – Richfield MN Post 435



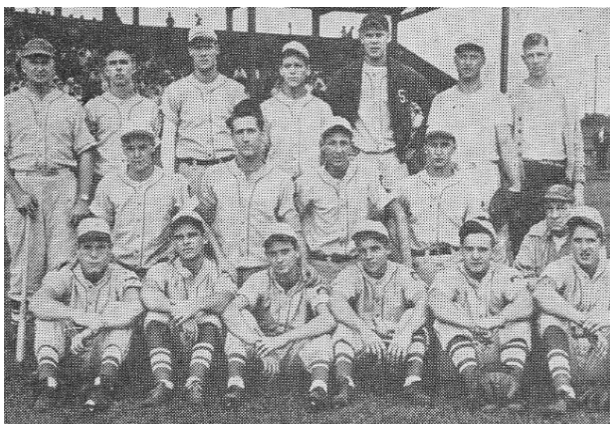
MILES CITY MT – A new format and a new champion was introduced to American Legion baseball fans during the 1943 season.

The new format called for a double-elimination tournament between all sectional champions.

In the inauguration event, Richfield MN outlasted four opponents to win the title. The championship game saw Richfield beat Springfield OH, 3-2 before 4,000.

Roger Brown's double off the right field wall scored Paul Otness with the game winning run in the sixth inning. The Richfield victory overshadowed a fine pitching performance by Springfield's Harry Amato. He fanned 11 and walked two in the losing effort.

### 1944 – Cincinnati OH Post 50



MINNEAPOLIS MN – Cincinnati OH won the first of a record seven national championships during the 1944 American Legion World Series as Post 50 coached by veteran Joe Hawk beat Albemarle NC, 3-2.

Ralph Kraus used his pitching and hitting in the championship victory. As a pitcher, he fanned four and scattered nine hits in the complete game win. At the plate, he contributed offensively going 2-for-4.

Albemarle did not go away easy by forcing a second championship game beating previously unbeaten Cincinnati in the double-elimination series.

### 1945 – Shelby NC Post 82



CHARLOTTE NC – Playing in front of a home state friendly crowd, upstart Shelby NC Post 82 upended pre-tourney favorite Trenton NJ, 4-2 to capture the American Legion World Series championship.

Shelby swept through the double-elimination tournament unbeaten (3-0).

Shelby capitalized on five Trenton errors in a come-from-behind victory.

Harry McKee, the ace of the staff picked up the win and limited Trenton to four hits.

Shelby's Boots Kent pitched nine innings of no-hit ball against Oak Park IL only to lose the gem and shutout in the 10th inning. Kent settled for a 2-1 extra inning win.

10,250 attended the finals and 41,500 turned out for the tournament.



## 1946 – New Orleans LA Post 125



CHARLESTON SC – New Orleans LA Post 125 used a brilliant pitching performance from Gus Riordan to capture the 1946 American Legion World Series championship.

Looking nothing like a champion on opening night, the Jesuit High School Blue Jays were shutout. Facing an early exit from the double-elimination tourney, New Orleans got on track and won four straight including a pair of victories over pre-tournament favorite Trenton NJ.

In the finals, Riordan mastered Trenton giving up two hits and fanned six in the 3-1 victory.

It was New Orleans second ALWS title matching San Diego with two as the most in legion baseball.

## 1947 – Cincinnati OH Post 50



LOS ANGELES CA – Cincinnati OH Post 50 joined an elite club by capturing the 1947 ALWS.

With the win, Coach Joe Hawk's club joins New Orleans and San Diego as the only two-time ALWS champions.

And it is Hawks' second national title as coach.

Cincinnati was unbeaten in the series and clinched the title with a 3-2 victory over Little Rock AR.

George Moeller, a centerfielder/pitcher won the batting crown going 20-for-40 and .500 average during national competition.

## 1948 – Trenton NJ Post 93



INDIANAPOLIS IN – For 17 seasons, Trenton NJ Post 93 had one goal: the American Legion World Series championship.

Finally, after three runner-up finishes when favored each time, Trenton marched into the winner's circle by winning the 1948 crown.

The eastern regional and sectional champions were led by Don Minnick, a lanky slingshot of a pitcher. He pitched the championship game with a 4-1 win against Jacksonville FL.

Minnick was matched with Leon Millington to give Trenton a powerful 1-2 punch on the mound.

The two limited opponents to four runs and 18 hits in the series.

## 1949 – Oakland CA Post 337



OMAHA NE – Playing in the American Legion World Series for the first time since 1928, Oakland CA Post 337 won the 1949 championship in newly constructed Municipal Stadium in Omaha.

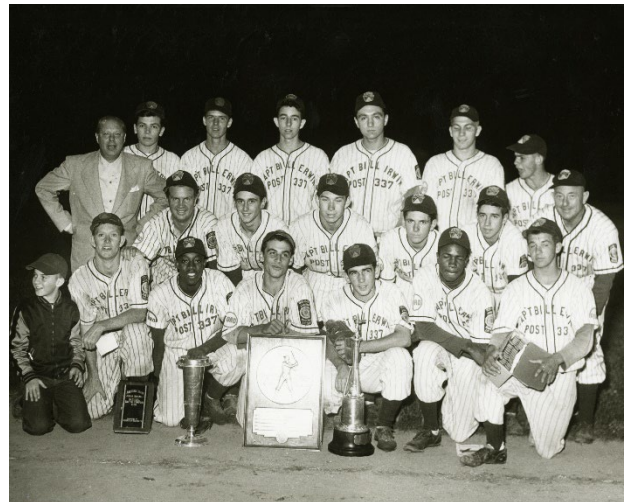
45,358 showed up in the new ballpark as Oakland knocked off Cincinnati OH in the finals, 8-6.

Captain and shortstop Ray Herrera was selected as the first recipient of the American Legion Player of the Year.

Teammate J.W. Porter claimed the batting title with a .551 clip going 27-for-49 in national play.

The championship game featured a trip that started with Herrera that ignited Oakland's drive to the title.

## 1950 – Oakland CA Post 337



OMAHA NE – Powerful Oakland CA Post 337 steamrolled over all opposition to win its second straight American Legion World Series championship.

It marked the first time in legion history that a team had won back-to-back national crowns and it gave Oakland a record third national title (1928-1949-1950).



Oakland's all-star catcher J.W. Porter set national records as well.

The Player of the Year retained the Louisville Slugger award with his batting average ranked highest in national play.

His three-hit outburst in the finals led Oakland to an 11-0 rout of St. Louis while pitcher Vern Killburg limited St. Louis to four hits while picking up the shutout.

## 1951 – Los Angeles CA Post 715



DETROIT MI – Los Angeles CA Post 715 kept the American Legion World Series championship in California for the third straight year with an 11-7 victory over White Plaines NY.

Detroit's Tiger Stadium was the site of the tourney that saw future Baseball Hall of Fame inductee in the lineup. A spunky California player named Sparky Anderson played for the winners.

Anderson would return many years later to lead the Tigers to a Major League World Series as manager. He also won a World Series crown while leading the Cincinnati Red during the mid-1970s.

Individual honors during the ALWS went to White Plaines' Grover Jones. He was picked as the American Legion Player Of The Year while hitting .408.

## 1952 – Cincinnati OH Post 50



DENVER CO – Cincinnati OH Post 50 won a record 53 games in 1952 and joined Oakland CA in the American Legion record book by winning its third ALWS championship.

Crafty coach Joe Hawk's troops nipped San Diego CA, 5-2 in the championship game on a night that was more suited for football or ice hockey. Game time temperature hovered at the 42 degree level and got lower as the game progressed.

Cincinnati's Russell Nixon claimed top honors as the American Legion Player Of The Year recipient. San Diego's centerfielder Horace Tucker won the batting honors with a .452 clip in national competition.

Howie Whitson, ace of the Cincinnati staff picked up the tourney opener on a 3-0 shutout and then came back to win the finals.

## 1953 – Yakima WA 36



MIAMI FL – Yakima WA Post 36 gave the American northwest region its first national championship with a 4-1 victory over Winnetka IL.

Tom Gibson fired a three-hitter in the finals as well as picking up three rbi on two hits as a hitter. It was Gibson's second victory in three days against runner-up Winnetka. He tossed a five-hit complete game victory over the Illinois champions earlier in the tournament.

Versatile Chuck Linstrom of Winnetka was selected as the American Legion Player Of The Year. Linstrom won a pair of games as a pitcher and played well defensively at second base.

## 1954 – San Diego CA Post 492



YAKIMA WA – Call them the "Cinderella team" or "a team of destiny" but whatever you call them, please include the following: 1954 American Legion World Series champions.

San Diego CA Post 492 rallied from an opening day setback to win out from the elimination bracket to capture the national championship.

The Southern California champions clipped Gastonia NC twice to win the crown. The first match up lasted 11 innings with San Diego prevailing 3-2. In the finals, San Diego scored seven runs over the first three innings and cruised to a 7-2 championship victory.

Lawrence Elliott's two rbi single with the bases loaded was all Ron Wilkins needed as the big lefthander fanned 11. Wilkins entered the game as reliever in the first inning after two batters.



## 1955 – Cincinnati OH Post 216



ST. PAUL MN – The city of Cincinnati won its fourth American Legion World Series as Post 216 downed Washington DC, 10-4 in the finals.

With the win, Cincinnati moved ahead of San Diego CA and Oakland CA for the most ALWS titles.

Bill Beck's victory over Washington in the finals was sweet revenge. Beck was beaten by that same team on opening day. In the championship game, he fanned 15 and limited Washington to five hits.

Third baseman Frank Birri was picked as the American Legion Player Of The Year as Cincinnati closed its record setting championship season at 36-4.

## 1956 – St. Louis MO 245



BISMARCK ND – Hard throwing Bob Miller picked up six victories in national competition including three at the World Series as St. Louis MO Post 245 battled opponents and Mother Nature along the way to the national championship.

The double-elimination tournament was a grueling affair for all teams but the two days of postponement and near freezing playing conditions didn't stop the Missourians.

Miller opened the tourney with a 10-0 shutout of Roseburg OR and then handed powerful New Orleans LA a pair of setbacks (winning 7-3 and 8-3). In the championship game against New Orleans he fanned six to raise his national record at 6-0 with 40 strikeouts.

Teammate Lawrence Goudy led all hitters with a .449 average.

## 1957 – Cincinnati OH Post 50



BILLINGS MT – Cincinnati OH picked up its fifth American Legion World Series championship as Post 50 overcame a stubborn Portland OR club, 10-6 in the finals.

Cincinnati, undefeated in the double-elimination tournament, edged Portland twice to win the title as Coach Joe Hawk's charges added another national title to Cincinnati's record number of legion crowns.

Pitching was the key as Hawk used three complete game victories by Scott Seger, Jerry Drew and Tom Tietmeyer.

Tom Weber, who got a key three-run double in the eighth inning of the championship game, led the tourney in hitting with a .412 average.

Fred Fox, the American Legion Player Of The Year excelled on defense throughout the tournament as he assisted on a triple play. It was the ALWS' second triple play in tournament history.

## 1958 – Cincinnati OH Post 50



COLORADO SPRINGS CO – For 21 seasons, Joe Hawk coached Cincinnati OH Post 50 to many championships but the one team, the one season he might remember the most was the 1958 club that produced a second straight ALWS.

For starters, the championship was the first back-to-back national titles in the ALWS since Oakland turned the trick in 1949-50.

And secondly, Hawk had to rebuild his club from the ground up. Only five players returned for action from his 1957 national championship club.

Southpaw Scott Seger tossed two complete game victories including the 12-1 rout of Everett MA in the championship.



## 1959 – Detroit MI Post 187



HASTINGS NE – Sparked by the all-around play of 5-6 shortstop Fred Bowen, Detroit MI Post 187 won the American Legion World Series championship.

The Michigan champion had to overcome an opening day setback to advance through the elimination round to win the title. It was a remake of regional and sectional playoffs as Detroit rebounded in both of those tournaments after early round losses to come back and win.

Detroit won the title with a pair of victories over previously unbeaten Hampton VA winning 5-3 and 11-4.

Detroit managed only five hits in the championship game but Hampton committed a record 10 errors. Two of the Detroit hits came from catcher John Hansen.

Bowen was chosen the American Legion Player Of The Year while Phoenix's Louis Webb had the highest average at .478

## 1960 – New Orleans LA Post 125



HASTINGS NE – Increasing the tournament field from four to eight regional champions did little to hamper New Orleans LA Post 125 in its quest for the American Legion World Series championship.

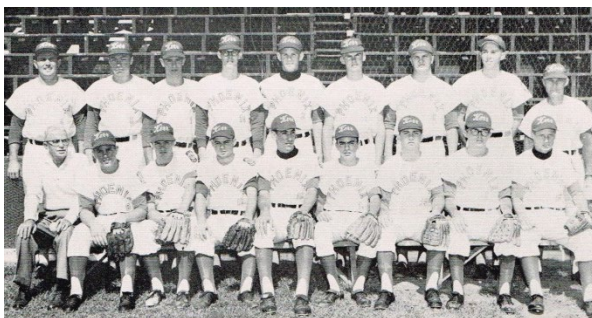
The Crescent City entry whipped pre-tournament favorite Billings MT in the finals, 9-3. The ALWS title was New Orleans' third since 1932.

The winners used a big seven-run sixth inning to rout Billings pitching ace Dave McNally, who walked 10 batters.

McNally registered 68 strikeouts in national competition.

Outdueling McNally in the finale was Dick Roniger, who was the recipient of the American Legion Player Of The Year award. He limited Billings to six hits and he fanned 8.

## 1961 – Phoenix AZ Post 1



HASTINGS NE – Phoenix AZ, a newcomer to the American Legion World Series, taught tourney veteran Cincinnati OH a lesson in baseball to win the 1961 title.

Coming out of the elimination round, Phoenix Post 1 edged Cincinnati twice, 2-0 and 4-1 in claiming the crown.

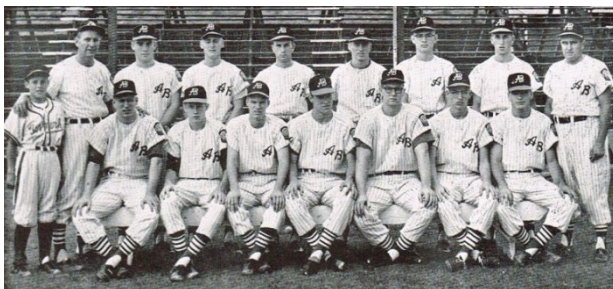
Back-to-back triples in the eighth inning by Gary Wolf and Larry Martin broke open a tight championship showdown and lifted the Westerners to the title.

Phoenix pitcher Dan Dwingle struggled early against Cincinnati with seven walks but came on strong and finished with a pair of strikeouts to end the game with 10.

Cincinnati's James Gruber was selected as the American Legion Player Of The Year.

Also, during the 1961 tourney, George W. Rulon began his leadership role as head of the American Legion national baseball program. He would hold that position with the legion until his retirement in 1986.

## 1962 – St. Louis MO Post 299



BISMARCK ND – St. Louis MO Post 299 handed Honolulu HI its only losses of the season in winning the American Legion World Series.

It was a return to glory for St. Louis as the Missourians and the legion tournament returned to Bismarck. It was in Bismarck at the 1956 ALWS that St. Louis won its first legion championship.

In the finals, St. Louis exploded for seven runs in a wild seventh inning. Jerry Mueller limited Hawaii to four hits.

Offensively, Dennis Horton hit a home run and a single while teammate Harold Wetich added a pair of doubles and a single.

## 1963 – Long Beach CA Post 27





KEENE NH – Long Beach CA Post 27 returned the American Legion World Series championship to the west coast for the first time since 1954 as the Southern California representative sailed through the tournament unbeaten.

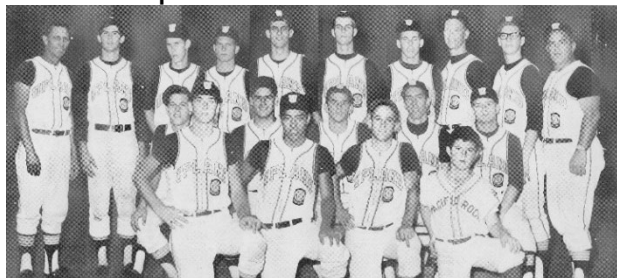
Long Beach upset unbeaten and tournament favorite Memphis TN Post 1 twice to claim the title.

Dick Dash, Long Beach's hustling second baseman, who played an error-free tournament and hit .343, was chosen as the American Legion Player Of The Year.

Coach Gale Taylor's club ended the season at 37-4 including a perfect 5-0 mark in the tourney while Coach Tony Gagliano's Memphis club finished at 38-2.

Jerry Mattingly of Evansville was the top hitter at .413

## 1964 – Upland CA Post 73



LITTLE ROCK AR – Upland CA Post 73 rode the hitting and pitching of Rollie Fingers to win the American Legion World Series.

Fingers, who later would be a standout in the Major League World Series, won a pair of victories in tourney and hit a blistering .450 against some tough national competition.

He was selected as the American Legion Player Of The Year.

Upland and runner-up Charlotte NC staged a donnybrook mini-series within the series as the formidable foes met three times with Upland winning two of three.

Fingers fired a three-hitter in the first meeting as Upland won 3-1.

Charlotte countered with a 2-0 shutout by Bob Boyd. Fingers broke up Boyd's bid for a no-hitter with a single.

In the finale,

And in the finals, Fingers had a masterful game limiting Charlotte to just two hits in the 3-1 Upland victory.

## 1965 – Charlotte NC Post 9



ABERDEEN SD – Charlotte NC Post 9 didn't let a light shower or cold weather dampen the party as the Tar Hills won the American Legion World Series with a 2-1 victory over Omaha NE.

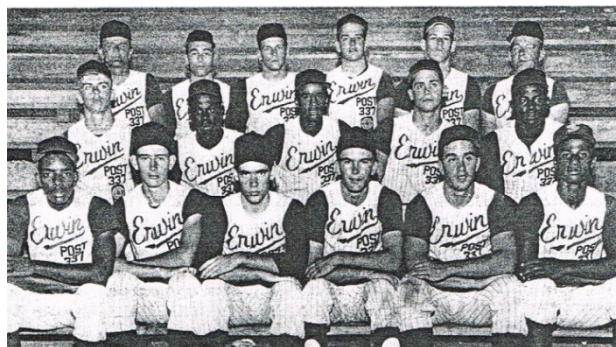
The championship game was played on a cool drizzling Labor Day evening.

It was a step up from the previous season when Charlotte finished second to Upland CA.

The Region Three champion went through the double-elimination tournament with only a loss to Memphis TN.

Pitcher Ken Fila of Omaha was nabbed as the American Legion Player Of The Year.

## 1966 – Oakland CA Post 337



ORANGEBURG SC – Not since the glory days of 1949-50 has Oakland CA enjoyed success on the American Legion national baseball scene

Then came 1966 and as Oakland Post 337 made it four-for-four in winning the American Legion World Series title.

Oakland has now made it to four ALWS championship games and has won all of them. They came in 1928, 1949, 1950 and 1966.

The winners clipped Tuscaloosa AL in the finals 4-1.

Butch Vargas was the star of the series as he tossed a four-hitter against Tuscaloosa in the championship game.

He picked up three wins at the series and posted a perfect 6-0 in national competition. Both marks are records.

Supporting Vargas in the national finals was Albert Strane. he connected with a home run and triple.

## 1967 – Tuscaloosa AL Post 34



MEMPHIS TN – Opening and closing the American Legion World Series with the same opponent, Tuscaloosa AL Post 34 won the championship with a nail-biting 1-0 win over Northbrook IL.

Tuscaloosa also won the tourney opener against Northbrook winning 3-0. Northbrook did manage to squeeze one win away from Tuscaloosa when Paul Brubaker pitched a two-hit 5-0 game. He fanned 14.

Tuscaloosa countered when it counted -- the championship game -- when John Rushing tossed a three-hit 1-0 win. He registered eight strikeouts.

The lone run in the finale came in the seventh inning when Bo Baughman doubled, advanced to third on a wild pitch and scored on Woody Sexton's infield single.



The winners completed the season at 40-5.

The tournament was noted for tight pitching and defense with three games being one-run affairs and five games being shutouts.

## 1968 – Memphis TN Post 1



MANCHESTER NH – Coach Tony Gagliano's Memphis TN Post 1 used text book baseball in winning the 1968 American Legion World Series championship. It was Tennessee's first national legion crown.

The finale, a 4-3 victory over Klamath Falls OR saw Memphis win with pitching, running and bunting.

With the game knotted at 3-3 and heading into the ninth inning, Memphian Charlie Blanchard led off with a line drive single. Winning pitcher Ross Grimsley then bunted to third. The throw by Mike Keck in an attempt to force Blanchard was late. Al Andre followed with another perfect bunt as losing pitcher Mike Allred mishandled the ball for an error.

With the bases loaded, Klamath Falls and most of the 2,350 in attendance were expecting another Memphis bunt were surprised. After an 0-2 count with two fouls, Terry Dan laid down a perfect bunt as Blanchard raced home with the eventual winning run.

The defense on the 0-2 count went back to normal playing depth. On the next pitch, Dan came through with another perfect bunt that caught Klamath Falls napping as Blanchard raced home with the leading and eventual winning run.

Donnie Castle, the hitting and pitching hero for Memphis was selected as the American Legion Player Of The Year.

Memphis finished strong, winning 38 straight games and ended the season at 52-5.

Another highlight during the 1968 ALWS came when Gene Guerriero of Staten Island NY no-hit Springfield MA, 3-0. It was the first complete no-hit game in ALWS history.

## 1969 – Portland OR Post 105



HASTINGS NE – Don Oja and Tim Wise combined for a two-hit shutout to give Portland OR Post 105 the

American Legion World Series title beating Towson MD, 4-0.

The championship game was the third meeting between the clubs during the double-elimination tournament.

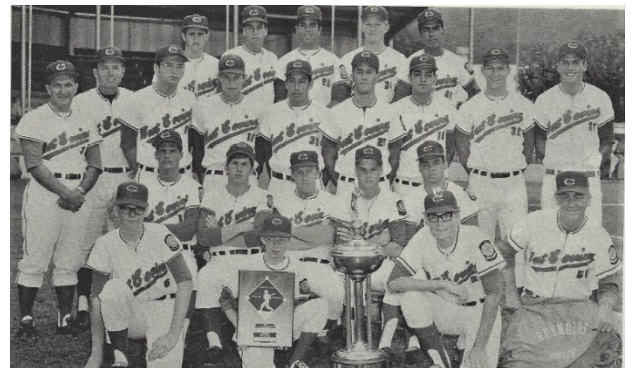
Oja worked 5.2 innings and gave up two hits while fanning 11. Wise, in relief, came on strong with four strikeouts and not giving up a hit. Wise also was productive at the plate with a pair of hits

West Palm Beach's John Adeimy was picked as the American Legion Player Of The Year while winning the batting title with a lofty .583 average in national competition.

Mother Nature played havoc with the series with a record 6.5 inches of rain falling on the tournament.

It was the fourth time that Hastings has hosted the ALWS.

## 1970 – West Covina CA Post 790



KLAMATH FALLS OR – West Covina CA Post 790 unloaded its heavy hitters on a shell-shocked Levittown PA in winning the American Legion World Series, 10-0.

The Californians had earlier pounded the Pennsylvanians, 7-0 in the double-elimination tournament.

In the title mismatch, Doug Lyons blasted a three-run homer to highlight a six-run third inning. Teammate Mike McManus collected four hits while winning pitcher Coley Smith only gave up four hits.

## 1971 – West Covina CA Post 790



TUCSON AZ – West Covina CA Post 790 joined a select circle of winners by repeating as American Legion World Series champions.

With the 1971 and 1970 titles in house, West Covina joins Oakland CA (1949-50) and Cincinnati OH (1957-58) as repeat champions.

It almost didn't happen. The Westerners lost on opening day by one run, a 3-2 decision to Lincoln Park MI.

Facing the uphill battle and unbeaten Cedar Rapids on the final day, West Covina needed a pair of victories. The



results were resounding to the way of a 16-4 and 16-1 beat downs.

Outfielder Randolph of West Covina was picked as the legion's Player Of The Year.

## 1972 – Ballwin MO Post 611



MEMPHIS TN – With a little luck and an assist from Mother Nature, Ballwin MO Post 611 stormed out of the elimination bracket to stop home standing Memphis TN for the American Legion World Series championship.

Gaining an extra day of rest due to heavy storms that washed out one day of activity, Ballwin's pitchers shutdown Memphis winning 7-4 and 3-2 in the championship game.

Dave Tuttle over came early inning jitters (tied 2-2 after four), came on strong to limit Memphis to just four hits while striking out nine.

The winning run came on a suicide squeeze bunt with two outs in the eighth inning.

Ballwin's Charles Murphy, a pitcher/outfielder was selected as the American Legion Player Of The Year as the Missourians ended a successful season at 44-8.

## 1973 – Rio Piedras PR Post 146



LEWISTON ID – It took one extra inning to do it but for Rio Piedras PR Post 146, it was worth the wait.

The Islanders stopped Memphis TN in the championship game of the American Legion World Series, 10-6 in 10 innings.

It was Memphis' second straight runner-up finish.

Luis Ferrer capped the extra inning with a three-run inside-the-park home run. Oscar Negrón picked up the victory before a packed crowd of 4,437 at Lewiston's Bengal Field.

Led by Carlos Rodriguez, who hit .435 in national competition, Rio Piedras went through the tournament unbeaten. The team dedicated the season to Pittsburgh Pirate Hall Of Famer Roberto Clemente.

The winners traveled over 6,600 miles to get to Lewiston.

## 1974 – Rio Piedras PR Post 146



ROSEBURG OR – On a misty cool Oregon evening, Rio Piedras PR Post 146 won its second straight American Legion World Series championship.

The Islanders edged home state favorite Lake Oswego OR, 4-3 in the finals before 5,194 screaming fans.

It marked the fourth time in legion history that a team has repeated as champions. Rio Piedras joins West Covina CA (1970-71), Cincinnati OH (1957-58) and Oakland CA (1949-50) as repeat champs.

Edwin Lopez, the Rio Piedras sharp hitting outfielder was selected the American Legion Player Of The Year. He also won the Louisville Slugger batting award with a .433 average.

Down 3-0 in the first inning, winning southpaw pitcher Arnulfo Comacho settled down and limited Lake Oswego to one hit.

30,102 fans witnessed the tournament as Rio Piedras ended the season with a 34-8 mark.

## 1975 – Yakima WA Post 36



RAPID CITY SD – Yakima WA Post 36 claimed its second national championship since 1954 by winning the 50th anniversary American Legion World Series.

The championship game victory, an 8-4 decision over Cedar Rapids, capped an uphill effort by Yakima. The eventual champions lost on opening day before bouncing back through the elimination bracket.

David Elder, the American Legion Player Of The Year, was the winning pitcher in the finals. He fanned 11 and also hit a home run. He also won the rbi award and tied for the total bases award.

The tournament, under perfect weather conditions, attracted over 27,000 fans.

Yakima ended the season with a 52-22 record.



## 1976 – Santa Monica CA Post 123



MANCHESTER NH – Santa Monica CA Post 123 stole the spotlight from Cedar Rapids IA in winning the 1976 American Legion World Series championship.

The Californians upset pre-tournament favorite Cedar Rapids on the way to the title.

One of the most exciting moments in ALWS history came in the second round when Santa Monica's Rick Schroeder no-hit Cedar Rapids, 1-0 in 10 innings. Losing pitcher Mike Boddicker only gave up two hits.

The championship game featured Santa Monica and Des Plaines IL. Schroeder came back from his no-hit performance to scatter seven hits in a 7-6 victory. He fanned eight.

Gus Malespin of Metairie LA was chosen the American Legion Player Of The Year while Boddicker, a three-year participant in ALWS play, was picked for the James F. Daniel Sportsmanship award.

## 1977 – South Bend IN Post 50



MANCHESTER NH – Bill Schell's hitting and Gregg Heyde's pitching carried South Bend IN Post 50 to the American Legion World Series championship.

South Bend beat a scrappy Hattiesburg MS club, 3-1 in the finals.

Schell, the American Legion Player Of The Year, was the series top hitter with a .441 average. He went 2-for-4 including a triple in the championship game while Heyde gave up seven hits and fanned three for the victors.

Defending champion Santa Monica CA failed to repeat losing out finishing fourth.

Coach Mel Machuca's championship club finished the season with a 41-6 record.

## 1978 – Hialeah FL Post 32



YAKIMA WA – Running Hialeah FL Post 32 raced through the American Legion World Series in capturing Florida's first legion national championship.

The Floridians posted an unbeaten slate in the double-elimination tourney by outscoring its opponents, 49-15. The team had 20 stolen bases in the series.

First baseman/pitcher Ross Jones was tabbed as the American Legion Player Of The Year while third baseman Ivan Mesa picked up the award for total bases.

In the championship game, Hialeah stole nine bases in the 7-4 victory. MVP Jones picked up three hits and three rbi.

Sowing some offensive power, Doug Palmer of New Ulm MN set an ALWS record hitting a blistering 679 (19-of-28) in national competition.

## 1979 – Yakima WA Post 36



GREENVILLE MS – Yakima WA Post 36 won its second national title in four years and its third in history on a hot humid day in the dusty Mississippi delta.

The winners unloaded a five-run outburst in the first inning and never looked back in thumping Barrington RI, 13-6.

The game was played in nearly 100 degree heat and thick humidity. Yakima's uniforms were right for the occasion. The team played in short pants.

Pitcher Bruce Dunn gave up 10 hits while Juan Cruz and Doug Geefe supplied the offenses.



Cruz popped a three-run home run while Geefe scored four runs and went 4-for-4.

Throughout the entire tournament, teams, fans and game officials were hampered by the intense heat and humidity. During some of the mid-afternoon games, two sets of umpires were used to prevent heat fatigue with one set working the first four innings and another set working the final five innings.

## 1980 – Honolulu HI



ELY MN – Long shot Honolulu HI upended Boyertown PA, 5-4 to claim the 1980 American Legion World Series in this outdoor sports town of Ely, at the top of Minnesota.

Chubby Sid Fernandez won a pair of games and fanned 55 in national competition as the Islanders posted a 24-5 record. He later would be a stellar pitcher in the Majors.

The championship game was a see-saw affair until Lance Belen sent a 1-2 pitch well over the left field that sent the Islanders to a 5-4 championship victory. The shot measured 390 feet.

Thomas Gil of Hialeah FL was selected as the American Legion Player Of The Year.

## 1981 – West Tampa FL Post 248



SUMTER SC – Sparked by the all-around play of David Magadan, West Tampa FL Post 248 captured the American Legion World Series.

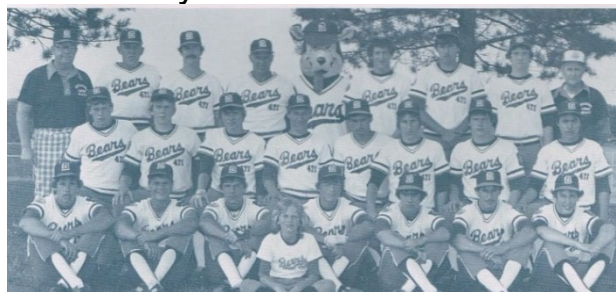
Madagan, the Player Of The Year connected on a pair long ball hits, a pair of doubles with three rbi in the championship game to rally the Floridians from a 4-0 deficit to a 6-5 victory over Richmond VA.

Noel Alfonso picked up the win in relief as he fanned six. Magadan got the save pitching the final 2/3 inning.

Tulsa's Roger Hulse, a rugged hard hitting first baseman picked up the Louisville Slugger award with a .478 average. Scott Anderson of Bellevue WA won the Bob Feller pitching award with 44 strikeouts.

West Tampa ended its most successful season with a 38-5 record.

## 1982 – Boyertown PA Post 471



BOYERTOWN PA – The home-standing Boyertown Post 471 Bears became the first team in 41 years to win the American Legion World Series championship while playing before the home town fans.

The highly spirited Bears whipped Lafayette CA in the finals, 14-8 in front of 6,563 delirious cheering rabid fans.

With the victory, it marked the first time since San Diego won at home in 1941 that a home team had captured the series title.

The 34,023 was the highest since the legion went to its current 8-team double-elimination tournament format.

The heroes were plentiful for the home faithful to cheer for. Ivan Snyder, the American Legion Player Of The Year became the second player in ALWS history to hit over .600 in national competition. he hit an even .600. He went 4-for-6 in the title game. He also recorded a complete game shutout earlier in the tourney.

Other standouts included John Ludy (18-0 with 180 strikeouts on the season), Durrell Schoenly (a crafty southpaw pitcher who went 7-0) and Scott Gilbert. Gilbert tied an ALWS tournament record with 19 runs scored in national competition.

Boyertown finished the season with a 54-3 record and a storybook championship.

## 1983 – Edina MN Post 471



FARGO ND – In the most exciting finish ever, Edina MN Post 471 won the 1983 American Legion World Series in a "see it to believe" ninth inning rally. And the victory came over defending national champion Boyertown PA.

The Mid-Westerners shared the spotlight with New Orleans' Chito Martinez. The all-around athlete claimed the batting champion (.566), rbi (17) and total bases (44) awards in shattering several tournament records.

In the classic championship game, Boyertown defended its title gamely with an early 4-0 lead and looked as though

a repeat title was in reach. The on-charging Edina team cut the lead to 4-3 with a three run outburst in the eighth inning.

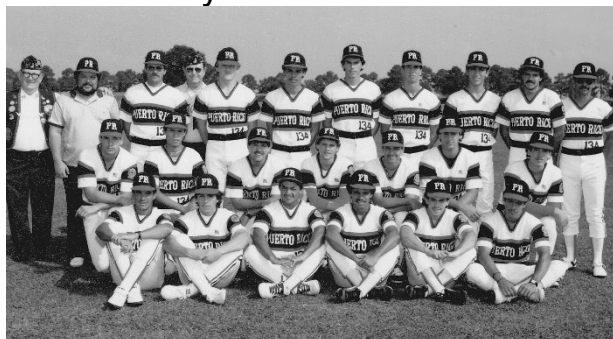
Then came the unexpected.

Edina scored the winning runs in the top of the ninth when Boyertown outfielders collided on a routine fly ball.

Unbeaten Rob Wassenaar (12-0) came on in the ninth and fanned the final batter to give Edina the national championship.

Edina's catcher Mike Halloran was picked as the American Legion Player Of The Year as the Minnesota champion ended the year at 45-7.

## 1984 – Guaynabo PR Post 134



NEW ORLEANS LA – Guaynabo PR Post 134 downed Brooklawn NJ twice on championship day to claim the 1984 ALWS crown.

The winning run was scored in the bottom of the ninth inning with a two-out, bases loaded walk.

Earlier in day, Guaynabo won 5-2 forcing a deciding game fifteen for the title.

The strategy backfired for runner-up Brooklawn when the New Jersey champion intentionally walked Jorge delToro setting up a force at any base.

It didn't work as pitcher Steve Mondile walked Jorge Hernandez on a full-count pitch forcing pinch runner Teofilo Serra home with the winning tally.

Jorge Robles earned the American Legion Player Of The Year award. He set an ALWS record with a 6-for-6 outing against Roseburg OR. Teammate Lino Rivera won the Bob Feller pitching award with 35 strikeouts while Marzan picked up the total bases award with 32.

Guaynabo ended the season with a 34-7 record.

## 1985 – Midlothian VA Post 186



KOKOMO IN – If you enjoy baseball, you would have loved the 1985 American Legion World Series.

The 60th anniversary tournament staged in Kokomo's Highland Park Stadium had great hitting, pitching, fielding, disappointment and happiness.

For the record, upstart Midlothian VA Post 186 claimed the national championship in dramatic fashion.

First year coach Dave George's troops with MVP Tris Lipscomb at the throttle rallied past Sacramento CA with a pair of victories on the final day of play.

It was a record setting performance for Lipscomb. He went 5-0 including a pair of saves in national competition.

In the finale, Midlothian held 2-0 and 3-1 leads before stopping the Californians ninth inning rally.

Rick Jarvis scattered six hits in relief and picked up the victory while Lipscomb (who could not pitch due to legion pitching regulations) contributed at the plate going 1-for-3 including a sacrifice fly.

The comeback by Midlothian was the second in national competition as the Virginians was forced to come from behind in regional play to advance to the ALWS.

## 1986 – Jensen Beach FL Post 126



RAPID CITY SD – Jensen Beach FL Post 126 formula was simple in winning the 1996 American Legion World Series.

Manager Bob Shaw, a former Major Leaguer and World Series participant, mixed solid pitching with fundamental defense and a surprising offense to roll over all opposition to win title.

The Floridians went unbeaten in the tournament and became the first team to do that since 1978. Down-state rival Hialeah turned the trick in winning the 1978 title.

As expected, Jensen Beach set an ALWS record in team ERA with a near perfect 1.50 mark. The pitching performance and the tight defense were expected but the big surprise came when Jensen Beach broke a 36-year old hitting record set by Oakland during the 1950 series.

The Floridians blistered opponents pitching to the tune of a .347 team batting average.

Pitcher Joe Grahe set the tone early with an 18-strikeout performance against New London CT. The strikeout mark was one off the national record of 19.

He finished the tourney with 52 strikeouts in 35.2 innings pitched. He also went 4-0 and 1 save plus hitting .436 while at the plate. He received the George Rulon American Legion Player Of The Year award.

Jensen Beach stopped a very good Las Vegas NV club, 8-2 with Grahe picking up championship game victory.

The 1986 tourney marked the end of a quarter-century career by American Legion baseball director George W. Rulon. As a tribute to the man that guided the nation's largest youth baseball program, the legion renamed the player of the year award to the George W. Rulon American Legion Player Of The Year award.



## 1987 – Boyertown PA Post 471



STEVENS POINT WI – In the most balanced tournament in recent years, Boyertown PA Post 471 captured the American Legion World Series.

Simply stated, the tournament was played in ideal weather with the exception of a late afternoon shower on championship day.

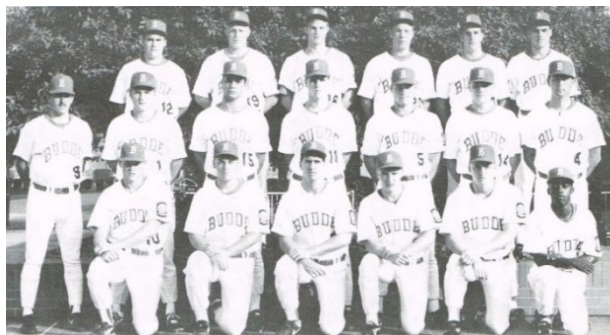
The Pennsylvanians regrouped after an early tournament setback to roared back to bounce r Vancouver WA in the finals, 12-6.

The Bears were led by catcher Willie Stout. He earned American Legion Player Of The Year honors.

In the finals, Boyertown scored five runs in the fourth inning to put the game on ice for the champions. The Bears ended the year at 60-13.

And Iowa legionnaire James Quinlan began his tenure as head of the American Legion national baseball program.

## 1988 – Cincinnati OH Post 507



MIDDLETOWN CT – Move over Boyertown, Cincinnati is back. It was the newcomer on the block against the old guard.

The 1988 American Legion World Series matched long time legion kingpin Cincinnati (the ALWS leader in games played, games won, World Series appearances and most championships) against Boyertown PA, a dominant newcomer to legion baseball (six ALWS appearances and two national titles in the 1980s).

When the dust had settled in Middletown, Cincinnati had prevailed in winning a record seventh ALWS championship. The score was 7-0 as a crowd of 3,759 and a national ESPN-TV audience looked on.

Mike Kessler was selected as the George W. Rulon American Legion Player Of The Year winner. The combination first baseman/pitcher was a key in the Cincinnati success.

He hit .361 (13-for-36), played errorless ball on defense and posted a 2-0 mark at the ALWS.

Another standout was Pete Rose Jr., son of all-time Major League hit leader Pete Rose Sr. The young Rose was named as the James Daniel Sportsmanship award recipient.

Scott Hughes picked up three statistical awards during the tournament. He won the batting award (.465), rbi award (17) and total bases award (36). He also stole 13 bases.

Pitcher Scott Klingenbeck won the Bob Feller pitching award with 34 strikeouts. He posted a 4-0 mark including a 1.12 ERA. He was also the winning pitcher in the championship game.

In the finals, Cincinnati jumped off to an early 4-0 margin in the second inning to quite the large amount of Boyertown fans that made the trip to Middletown.

It was the first shutout in an ALWS championship game since 1970 when another Pennsylvania team (Levittown) got shutout.

## 1989 – Woodland Hills CA Post 826



MILLINGTON TN – While the American Legion World Series concluded a decade of success, California's entry Woodland Hills erased more than a decade of drought by winning the 1989 championship.

Woodland Hills Post 826 beat Guaynabo PR, 11-5 in the finals to become the first California team to win the ALWS since Santa Monica won it in 1976.

Heading up the Woodland Hill attack was a nifty catcher named Del Marine. The 6-0, 185 pounder was chosen as the George W. Rulon American Legion Player Of The Year. He hit .459 in national play (17-for-37) and scored 16 runs. He also picked up 24 total bases.

Lance Gibson and Pat Treend posted impressive wins on the mound. Treend opened and closed the ALWS with strong performances against Guaynabo as he finished national play at 3-0 and 1.77 ERA.

Gibson, son of team manager Gary Gibson was also 3-0 during national competition. His ERA was 1.62.

The championship game was played on a hot and humid evening that was more suited for misquotes.

Woodland Hills completed the season at 39-7.

## 1990 – Mayo MD Post 226



CORVALLIS OR – On paper, the Mayo MD Post 226 club looked impressive.

The Region Three and three-time Maryland state champion entered the American Legion World Series in

Corvallis with a remarkable 66-6 overall record and had outscored its regional tournament opponents, 68-13.

With those stats, no one argued that Mayo was the pre-tourney favorite. But the winning wasn't easy.

It took Mayo three come-from-behind victories and a team effort to do it.

The final comeback came on championship day with a 7-6 victory over Bayamon PR.

Mayo scored runs in the seventh, eighth and ninth for the wins.

Mark Foster picked up the victory against Bayamon on the mound as well as being productive at the plate going 2-for-4 and 3 rbi.

He was selected as the American Legion Player Of The Year.

Mayo completed its most successful season ever with a 71-7 ledger. The 71-victory mark is an ALWS record for victories by a winning team.

## 1991 – Brooklawn NJ Post 72



BOYERTOWN PA – For 72-year-old Joe Barth Sr., the dream of winning the American Legion World Series became reality in 1991.

The 40-year career coaching legend finally picked up top honors as his Brooklawn NJ Post 72 club overcame a sluggish start to upend Newark OH 5-3 in the championship game.

3,752 fans watched Brooklawn finally reward Barth with the national crown as the victory erased three previous and painful ALWS appearances.

The Garden State champions won the title with pitching as Brooklawn posted a 1.82 team ERA. It was third best ERA in ALWS history.

Scott Lavender (2-0, 1.81 ERA) and Brent Laxton (3-0, 1.84) led the attack followed by Brian McGettigan (2-1, 0.84 ERA) and Bryan Wilson (1-0, 1 save and 1.58 ERA).

Newark's Ryan Beeney was selected as the George W. Rulon American Legion Player Of The Year. The slick fielding shortstop led Newark in hitting at .444 and was co-winner of the rbi award with 16.

Bob Pailthorpe won or shared all four ALWS statistical awards. He blitzed opposing pitchers for a .585 batting average (24-for-41). He got 36 total bases and 16 rbi. On the mound, he registered 33 strikeouts.

In the championship game, Brooklawn overcame a 3-0 Newark lead with a big four run rally in the sixth inning. Brooklawn added an insurance run in the seventh to make it 5-3.

Lavender, who shutdown Newark earlier in the tournament, came on in relief and retired the side in order in the ninth inning to give Barth the championship he richly deserved.

## 1992 Newbury Park CA



FARGO ND – Call them bold, call them brash and call them Champs!

That's the best way to describe the 1992 American Legion World Series champion Newbury Park CA.

Coach Chuck Fick's troops stormed back from an opening day loss to capture the championship with a pair of shutouts over defending champion Brooklawn NJ and against Arlington Heights IL in the championship game.

Heading into championship day play, the Oaks need a pair of wins to claim their first national title and California's 16th since 1928.

They got it with spectacular pitching performances from Adam West and Jim Naster.

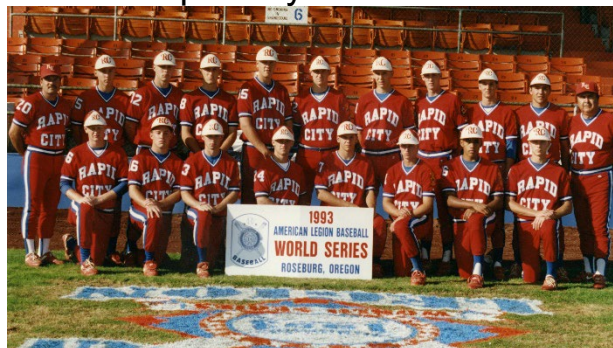
The southpaw West nailed Brooklawn, 3-0 limiting the defending champs to five hits.

In the finals, Naster held Arlington Heights to five hits. He fanned six as Ryan Kritscher, Robert Fick, David Lamb and Jim Cherney each got three hits for the victors exploding for a 17-hit win.

It was the most hits by a winning club in a championship game since Yonkers' 17-hit outburst during the first ALWS in 1926.

Newbury Park finished the year at 40-3.

## 1993 – Rapid City SD Post 22



ROSEBURG OR – Rapid City SD Post 22 had all the qualifications of a champion.

Their stats were impressive. The record entering the American Legion World Series stood at 66-4. They won the state and regional titles and produced a lineup that would be the envy of any coach anywhere.

But they were not "pre-tournament favorites" according to media, scouts and college coaches covering the tournament. The favorites were Las Vegas NV and Fairfield CA.

In the end, however, it was Rapid City standing alone atop the standings as 1993 American Legion World Series champions.



Manager Dave Ploof and coach Steve Wolff relied on a balanced team effort that had a fine mixture of both offense and defense.

Ben Thomas, a first baseman/pitcher earned the American Legion Player Of The Year

He hit .435 in national play as well as posting a 3-0 record and 0.33 ERA. He registered 27 strikeouts won him the Bob Feller pitching award. He tied for the rbi award with 16.

Joining Thomas in the spotlight was Ryan Merritt, who won the batting crown with a .490 average (24-for-49).

In the championship, Rapid City edge Las Vegas, 7-4 as Bill Freytag went the distance to pickup his third victory in national play.

The tournament drew 34,306 fans to set a modern ALWS attendance record (since the current 8-team format began in 1960).

## 1994 -- Miami FL Post 346



BOYERTOWN PA – Miami FL Post 346 rode the perfect pitching of Fernando Rodriguez to capture the 1994 American Legion World Series.

Rodriguez, the George W. Rulon American Legion Player Of The Year winner masterfully shutdown Chino CA with a 9-0 championship game victory.

He completed national competition with a perfect 4-0 record and 0.00 ERA in 32.1 innings pitched. In the finals he walked one and fanned six.

Roy Muro (3-for-4 and 2 rbi) led the parade of hitters for Miami. Jose Zabala, Luis Cabral and Rodriguez each picked up a pair of hits against Chino in the finals.

Chino had earlier embarrassed Miami, 19-9 and the championship victory was sweet revenge for the Floridians (36-7 on the season).

As a consolation, Chino set ALWS tournament records for most hits (148) and doubles (41) and finished third in all-time team average (.347).

## 1995 – Aiea HI



FARGO ND – Injured but not out, Jason Adaro spearheaded Aiea HI to the 1995 American Legion World Series championship.

Hampered by a nagging hamstring injury earlier in the tournament, Adaro pitched a four-hit 2-0 shutout victory over Bellevue WA.

The finale was witnessed by 3,546 at Fargo's Jack Williams Stadium and a national ESPN-TV audience.

The masterful performance by Adaro was his second shutout in series play.

His pitching (4-0, 0.90 ERA) and hitting (.488 highest in national competition) earned him the George W. Rulon American Legion Player Of The Year award.

Portland ME earned that state's first appearance in the ALWS.

## 1996 – Yardley PA Post 317



ROSEBURG OR – Yardley PA Post 317 surprised the field in the 1996 American Legion World Series by winning the championship.

The Pennsylvania state runner-up won the regional title and played a brand of baseball combining key hits, sturdy defense and crafty pitching to upset the field and won the crown.

Yardley bounced Gonzales LA, 6-3 before 4,089 in the championship game.

Christian Bourgeois of Gonzales LA was selected the George W. Rulon American Legion Player Of The Year while Andy Hoffman of Midland MI earned the James F. Daniel Jr. Memorial Sportsmanship Award. Yardley finished its championship season with a 48-11 record.

Sandy UT became the first team from that state to play in the ALWS.

Another first came when Kip Harris of Midland MI got the first hit as a designated hitter in ALWS history. It was a double in the ninth inning against Rowan County NC.

The attendance of 38,836 set a tournament record under the current 8-team tournament format that started in 1960. It broke their own record set in 1993 with 34,306.

## 1997 – Sanford FL Post 53



RAPID CITY SD – A Hollywood writer could not have written a better script for the 1998 American Legion World Series staged at Fitzgerald Stadium. It was a scene right out of an old western shoot'em up movie.

There were fireworks galore. There was even a stampede on the record book.

When the dust had settled, Sanford FL Post 53 had the championship in hand by beating Medford OR, 11-8 in a title game that was shortened by legion officials due to incoming inclement weather. It marked the first time a championship game did not go the standard nine innings.

In the finale, Tim Raines, son of Major League standout Tim Raines Sr., sparked a rally that saw Sanford erase a 8-2 deficit with a seven-run sixth inning explosion. Raines, junior that is, belted a pair of home runs to tie the ALWS record in leading the come-from-behind.

Sanford ended the season at 48-13.

The tournament was a wild one from start to finish as 19 records were broken or tied. Among the most notable were runs scored in the series (273) and fewest shutouts (0). The offensive record surpassed the old record of 222 that was also set in Rapid City. The no-shutout figure tied the record set in 1978, 1980 and 1984.

Although the tournament will always be known as the shootout out west, one notable defensive play was made by Bristol's Mike Rose. Rose made an excellent diving catch while crashing into the right field wall to preserve Bristol's 3-2 victory over Tulsa OK.

## 1998 – Edwardsville IL Post 199



LAS VEGAS NV – Beating the odds is very difficult. Especially in a city like Las Vegas. But Edwardsville IL Post 199 did it and the reward was the 1998 American Legion World Series championship.

In an all-new, Olympic-type tournament format, Edwardsville overcame a scrappy Cherryville NC Post 100 club, 9-4 in the finals.

Opel, the recipient of the George W. Rulon American Legion Player Of The Year, led the parade of stars. Opel became only the third player in ALWS history to hit over .600 in national competition. He hit .632 (second only to Doug Palmer of New Ulm MN in 1978) and played brilliantly at shortstop.

The 22,000 plus fans in Las Vegas' Cashman Field (home of the Class AAA Pacific Coast League Las Vegas Stars) saw the tournament switch from the conventional 15-game double elimination tournament to a two division 15-game affair. The top two clubs in each division would square off in semifinal action after three days of round-

robin divisional play. The winners of the semifinal game then played in a one-game national title game.

The intense heat during the five-day tournament saw the temps exceed 100 each day.

## 1999 – New Brighton MN Post 513



MIDDLETOWN CT – New Brighton MN Post 513 gave the state of Minnesota its third national championship with a 11-5 victory over Kennewick WA in the 1999 American Legion World Series.

The championship game was played before 2,691 fans in Middletown and before an ESPN-TV tape-delayed national broadcast.

In the finale, third baseman Brad Baglien became the first player to go 5-for-5 in a championship game. Erick Lodgaard went the distance to pick up the victory. He scattered six hits and fanned six.

Peter Wiedewitsch hit .511 (third in the ALWS hitting) going 23-for-45 and was selected the American Legion Player Of The Year

New Brighton finished the season with an outstanding 64-5 record.

## 2000 – Danville CA Post 246



ALTON IL – Using a pitching staff that any Major League club would love to have, Danville CA Post 246 won the 2000 American Legion World Series.

The championship, a 2-1 thriller over Paducah, Kentucky gave California its 17th overall ALWS title since 1928. For retiring ALWS tournament staff member and California baseball director Harold Hall, the victory was a sweet retirement gift.

Pitching was the key to Danville's success. Check these stats:

- Brown tossed three complete game victories in national competition and did not allow an earned run in 27 innings. He posted a 3-0 record and 0.00 ERA.
- Miramontes also went 3-0 in national tournament play while posting a 1.59 ERA.
- Three other Danville pitchers (Justin Allred, Dane Dobrinich and Brian Roberson) all posted 0.00 ERA marks while John Williams (1-0) and Colin Stock (1-0) rounded out the stellar Danville pitching staff.

A record six Danville players picked up all-tournament recognition as the Hooters closed their record setting year with a 53-12 record.



In a category normally reserved for California teams, New Jersey sent two representatives to the American Legion World Series. Coach Joe Barth's Brooklawn team made its record-tying third straight appearance in the 2000 tourney while Hamilton Square, New Jersey played in its first ALWS. California and Minnesota are the only other states to send two teams to the ALWS in the same year.

## 2001 – Brooklawn NJ Post 72



YAKIMA WA – Played under ideal weather in this beautiful northwest Washington community (and Apple capital of the world), the 2001 American Legion World Series will go down in the books as a tournament filled with anniversaries, awards, record-setting performances.

For starters, the 2001 tournament was the 75th anniversary of the American Legion World Series (76th year of American Legion baseball). Then, Brooklawn's long time coach Joe Barth celebrated his 50th season in legion baseball.

Thirteen records were broken or tied during the five-day run including Brooklawn's string of four consecutive trips to the ALWS and team captain Mike Rucci's fourth straight appearance in ALWS by an individual player.

Brooklawn produced an amazing five come-from-behind victories

The semifinal rally was a classic. Or at least it was for the Brooklawn faithful as Barth's chargers erased an 8-5 Omaha NE lead with four runs with two outs in the ninth inning.

In the championship finale against Lewiston ID, Rucci capped a brilliant four-year legion career with a two-run sixth inning home run to break a 2-all tie to send Brooklawn past Lewiston, 5-2 in front of 2,688 fans at historic Parker Field.

Rucci was selected as the American Legion Player Of The Year. Rucci hit .410 in national competition going 16-for-39. He picked up 12 rbi and 25 total bases.

While Brooklawn was stealing the spotlight with its championship play and record-setting achievements other standout performances were also recorded.

## 2002 – West Point MS Post 212



DANVILLE VA – The heat was intense and the rain was annoying but in the end, West Point, Miss. Post 212 survived both to win the 2002 American Legion World Series. It was Mississippi's first national championship in legion baseball.

The five-day tourney was overshadowed by the weather. The three days of pool play saw scorching heat and high humidity while the semifinals and championship was plagued by rain. In fact, legion officials were searching as far west as West Virginia and far south as South Carolina for a possible alternate site the morning of the championship game.

The Series opening ceremonies was very hot and humid day as several players were overcome by the heat but for West Point, it was a typical day on the ball field. Mississippi like southern Virginia has the same summer-type hot, humid weather.

While the weather wasn't its best, West Point's Josh Johnson was.

In the championship game, against Excelsior, MN, Johnson scattered seven hits, walked two and fanned 11 in the 4-0 shutout victory. He also contributed offensively with an rbi sacrifice fly.

Johnson, a pitcher-third baseman played near perfect baseball throughout the tournament and was picked as the recipient of Most Valuable Player award. He was flawless on defense as a third baseman and hit .469 in national competition (fourth best in individual batting).

The usual on-the-field post-championship game awards ceremony was moved indoors to the local American Legion Post home as rain intensified from light showers to near-heavy downfall at game's end.

Coach Frank Portero's club finished its championship season with a 47-13 record.

## 2003 – Rochester MN Post 92



BARTLESVILLE OK – Rochester MN Post 92 withstood a scorching Oklahoma heat wave to capture the 2003 American Legion World Series crown.

It was Minnesota's fourth national title.

Temperatures in Bartlesville reached 100 or more during each day of the five-day tournament equaling a record for heat set in Las Vegas during 1998.

Rochester's national championship game victory over Cherryville NC Post 100, 5-2 before 2,990 at Bill Doenges Memorial Stadium capped a banner season for Coach Keith Kangas and his team. The team won the state high school championship, the state legion crown, the Region Six Central Plains title and the World Series. Their record was a sparkling 52-5.

Twenty-four records were either broken or tied.

Cherryville's all-purpose athlete Chris Mason set one record and tied another. As a hitter, he belted a pair of home runs in one game tying a record but his expertise was pitching. He established a ALWS record with 69 strikeouts. In the ALWS, he had 10-or-more strikeouts in the two starts and one relief appearance. He was 5-0 in national competition and was tabbed as the MVP of the Series.

## 2004 – Portland ME



CORVALLIS OR – Tabbed as the "most likely" team NOT to win the American Legion World Series, Portland (Nova Seafood) Maine used a mixture of key hitting, defense and nearly perfect pitching to capture the 2004 championship. The championship was Maine's first and the first time for New England since East Lynn MA turned the trick in 1937.

Portland's championship game was a masterful job in pitching as starter Mike Powers shutdown a powerful Kennewick WA club, 2-0. He allowed only one hit and fanned seven in eight innings worked. Ryan Reid, the tourney's top strikeout artist picked up the save in the ninth striking out the sides.

Portland's Scott Brown was the Series MVP. He hit .417 going 20-for-48 with 10 runs scored and 14 rbi. He was also 1-0 with 1 save in national competition.

Reid went 5-0 and one save and a 1.27 ERA with 29 strikeouts.

With three teams remaining, Nova won an exciting 4-3, 10-inning victory over Boyertown eliminating the legion powerhouse from Pennsylvania. Ryan Piacentini scored on Brown's rbi single in the bottom of the tenth. Brown also picked up the victory in relief striking out two in two innings pitched.

Deland FL completed the ALWS's sixth triple play.

## 2005 – Enid OK Post 4



RAPID CITY SD – In a bizarre ending to an extraordinary tournament, Enid, Oklahoma Post 4 captured the 2005 American Legion World Series.

The Majors won America's premier youth baseball championship in a very unusual way. It wasn't a walk-off home run or bases loaded walk or even by an miscued error. Enid won the title with a two-out bases loaded balk in the bottom of the ninth inning over Twin Cities of Pasco, Washington.

The score was 7-6 and was played before a packed house of 3,116 in Rapid City's Fitzgerald Stadium.

Zac Berg earned the George Rulon American Legion Player of the Year award while Seng (who became the first player in a dozen years to steal home) was selected as the James F. Daniel Sportsmanship Award recipient.

In the finale, Enid jumped off to an early lead by scoring six runs in the third inning including five runs scored after two outs.

Washington mounted a comeback to tie the game in the eight to setup the unexpected ninth inning.

With the bases loaded and two outs, Pasco pitcher Jeremy Stumetz made a false attempt at first and all six umpires called balk an Tyler Fleming skipped home with the winning run and national championship.

Enid ended their successful season at 61-11.

Attendance was a sparkling 28,058 in Rapid City. It was most since 1996 in Roseburg, Oregon.

Rapid City earned a spot in the tournament field and became the eighth team to play in the Series at home.

## 2006 – Metairie LA Post 175



CEDAR RAPIDS, IA – Pre-tournament favorite Metairie LA Post 175 sparked by tourney MVP Mike Liberto won the 2006 American Legion World Series with a multiple come-from-behind effort victories.

Champion Metairie and runner-up Terre Haute played three times in the Series with Terre Haute winning on opening day and Metairie bouncing back to win a "must win or go home" game and then winning the finale.

During the three come-from-behind wins, Metairie executed to perfection a triple steal against Midlothian VA. It came in the sixth inning when Kevin Weidenbacher stole



second, Tyler Koelling stole third and Brett Accardo stole home.

In the championship game, Metairie rallied in the eighth inning to forge ahead 6-4 and in the ninth inning with the tying run at the plate, the Metairie defense ended the game with a 3-6-3 double play and the title.

Metairie (a suburb of New Orleans) finished the season at 45-7 and with the title, gave the Crescent City four American Legion World Series titles. Other titles came in 1932, 1946 and 1960.

## 2007 – Columbia TN Post 19



BARTLESVILLE, OK – While the focus was on the home runs flying out of Doenges Memorial Stadium in record numbers, Columbia TN Post 19 went about its business of winning the American Legion World Series championship.

The Region Three champions brought home to Tennessee the national championship for the first time since Memphis captured the 1968 crown.

Columbia's first two outings in the Series resulted in walk-off home runs for victories. The first was three-run shot in the bottom of the ninth inning by Chris Lovett to give Columbia a 7-4 win over Rockport IN.

In Columbia's second outing, Cody Pomeroy's solo home run in the bottom of the 11th inning propelled the winners to a 9-8 victory over Branford CT.

Columbia bounced Eden Prairie MN in the finals 11-4.

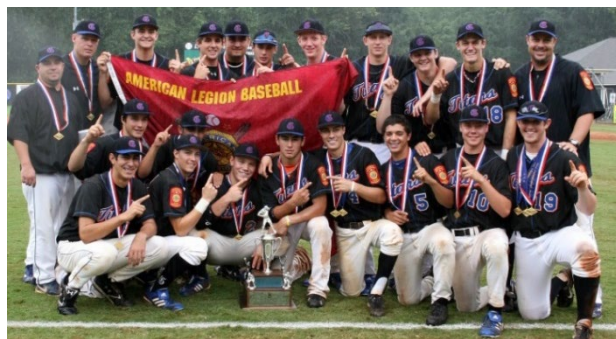
For the home runs, Tucson AZ set or tied home runs in national competition and home runs in a game with designated hitter Marc Damon's 3 homers breaking an 81-year-old record.

And for the record, the ALWS saw a record 46 round-trippers fly out of the Bartlesville ballpark. And, the Series saw at each one home run hit in 14-of-15 games played.

Pitching had its moment in the Series too. Although the Series produced no shutouts, fans did witness the Series' 11th all-time one-hit complete game pitching performance. And it came from Tucson's Chris Moon. He fanned 10 and walked two in beating Bryant AR, 6-1. The lone hit came in the form of a pinch-hit solo home run by Kaleb Jobe in the sixth inning.

Columbia finished its outstanding season with a 57-11 record.

## 2008 – Las Vegas NV (Gorman) Post 76



SHELBY, NC – Las Vegas NV Post 76 (Bishop Gorman) won a record 75 games during the 2008 season with victory number 75 coming in the championship game of the 2008 American Legion World Series.

Pitcher/first baseman Jeff Malm was perfect and earned the tourney's MVP award. He was perfect on the mound logging a 0.00 ERA in national competition and posted a 1-0 record with five saves. The ERA mark tied an ALWS record and the five saves set an ALWS record. He also tied the record for fielding with a 1.000 mark in 98 chances at first base. Offensively he hit a solid .300 and scored 14 runs, second highest in the tourney.

The tournament's finale was set back a day due to severe storms in the area. It was the first setback from Mother Nature and rain of a championship game since 1972 in Memphis.

Regardless of the one day delay, Las Vegas claimed the title beating Pasco WA, 5-1.

It was Las Vegas' first national championship after finishing runnerup in 1986 and 1993.

Manager Chris Sheff's club ended the season by winning its final 21 games and posted a 75-7 record.

Attendance was the second highest under the present 8-team double-elimination format with 37,701.

## 2009 -- Midland MI Post 165



FARGO, ND – On a sun-splashed afternoon that felt more like an autumn college football Saturday, Midland, Michigan Post 165 won the 2009 American Legion World Series championship.

It was a perfect ending to an otherwise imperfect tournament due to inclement weather. In fact, seven of the tourney's 14 games were seven inning affairs instead of the normal nine-inning games due to the weather.

In the end it was Midland, Michigan claiming the national championship beating Medford, Oregon Post 15, 11-4 in front of 1,867 at Newman Outdoor Stadium on the campus of North Dakota State University.

Defending champion Las Vegas returned to defend its title and was the pre-tourney choice to repeat but just prior to the start of the Series, Jeff Malm, the MVP in '08 signed

a Big League contract. Midland, the only other returning team from 2008 field was then installed a slight favorite to claim the crown. Midland did not disappoint its fans by going 5-0 at the ALWS.

The mainstay was tourney MVP Jordan Dean.

Dean, shortstop, anchored a defense that turned 12 double plays.

Perhaps one of the wildest games in American Legion history saw Midland eliminate Rowan County NC, 15-14.

Midland was cruising with a 12-0 margin going into the sixth inning when North Carolina exploded for eight runs. Midland countered with three runs in the seventh before North Carolina scored five in the seventh. In the bottom of the ninth, North Carolina scored again to cut the margin to one and the game ended that way.

The championship game was exciting as Midland jumped off to an 8-0 lead and coasted to the win.

Midland ended its most successful season at 54-7 record.

## 2010 – Midwest City OK Outlaws



SPOKANE WA – Facing elimination after one day of World Series tournament play, Midwest City OK Outlaws regrouped and reloaded to capturing the 2009 American Legion World Series. On championship day, Manager Doug Weese's club used its strong hitting to knock off previously tourney unbeaten Eden Prairie MN, 11-6 and 10-1.

The number one team was led by the tourney's #1 player in MVP Dalton Bernardi. (uniform #1) In the championship game he went 3-for-5 and 3 rbi and a pair of stolen bases. To squelch any rally by Eden Prairie, he finished the game pitching striking out three in two and third innings worked.

In tournament competition, Bernardi, an outfielder-pitcher, he hit .420 including 21 hits, 14 runs scored and 15 rbi. He was a perfect 12-for-12 stealing bases and as a pitcher, he finished with a 3-0 record in 21 and 2/3 pitched. He struck out 20 and produced an 0.83 ERA.

Strong points on the winning Oklahoma entry include a team batting average of .346 with 142 hits and 102 runs scored and 28 two-base hits. Adding to the arsenal of offensive weapons for Midwest City include 56 stolen bases. The 56 stolen bases ties the all-time ALWS tournament record.

Midwest scored 10-or-more hits in each of its games.

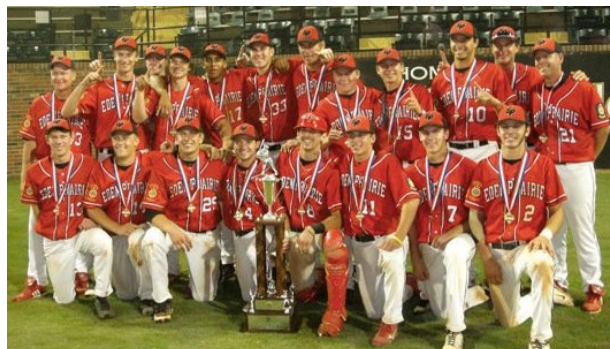
And, not all the talent was on the championship club. Runner-up Eden Prairie MN was also full of talented stars.

Sportsmanship Award winner Blake Schmit led the field of players in national competition in hits (22) and runs scored (18) and was third in total bases (30). He hit .431 (fifth ranked).

Schmit (shortstop) teamed up with Tony Skjefte (second base) for nine double plays in the tourney. Skjefte hit a solid .373.

Midwest City finished the season at 66-10. It was Oklahoma's second national championship in the 2000s. Enid won the 2005 ALWS.

## 2011 – Eden Prairie MN



SHELBY NC – What a difference a year makes. Just ask the Eden Prairie MN American Legion baseball team.

In 2010, Eden Prairie was one victory away from a national championship but lost twice on championship day and finished with a runner-up trophy.

In 2011, Eden Prairie entered the Series as the favorite to win it all but lost on opening day and it wasn't even close, losing 14-3 in a 10-run game.

What happened next is amazing. "Unbelievable" said Blake Schmit, the American Legion George W. Rulon Player Of Year.

Eden Prairie then reeled off consecutive victories including two of the most exciting games in ALWS history.

With Tupelo MS awaiting the winner for all the marbles, Eden Prairie and Las Vegas NV (the 2008 national champion) squared off in an afternoon game that would send the winner into the finals. Eden Prairie beat Las Vegas, 2-1.

Eden Prairie jumped off to an early second inning 2-0 lead. Schmit trying to beat out a base hit tripped at first base and received a severe ankle injury. But a quick thinking game-saving trainer taped Schmit's swollen ankle and he remained in the game.

In the championship game, Tupelo scored four in the first inning and Eden Prairie's chances of winning seemed remote at best.

Eden Prairie then chipped away with two runs in the second, one in the fifth on a Schmit home run and one in the eighth when Skjefte raced home on a rbi double by Peterson.

The winners picked up a run in the 13th inning on a fielders choice.

Tupelo didn't go down quietly much to the delight of the 5,896 fans in the park.

With one out, back-to-back singles put Tupelo in position to tie and maybe win the championship.

Schmit, the defensive captain of the team called for a pickoff play at second. It was a perfect throw by winning pitcher Lance Tonvold to Schmit, who made the tag with the pickoff.

It was a most successful tournament for Shelby, which became the home of American World Series. A record 86,162 fans cheered every pitch. The previous record was 60,000 at the 1936 ALWS played south of Shelby in Spartanburg, SC.

Several records were broken in the tournament.



Blake Schmit became the first player in American Legion baseball history to win two major awards. In 2010, he was the recipient of the James F. Daniel Jr. Sportsmanship and in post-game ceremonies in this tournament, he was the picked as the George W. Rulon American Legion Player Of The Year

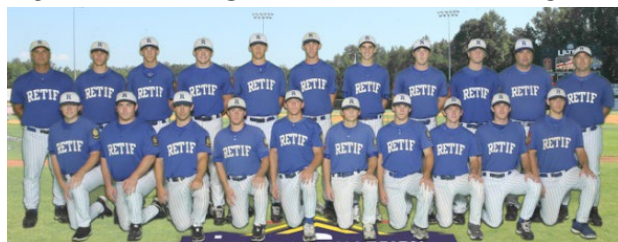
Assistant coach Mike Halloran celebrated his second national title. He was the Player of the Year in 1983 when he was the catcher on the national championship team from Edina, MN.

And for airline bonus miles, the winner goes to Waipahu, Hawaii. The Islanders broke Bayamon, Puerto Rico's record of most miles traveled to a World Series. Waipahu's epic journey totaled 9,608 miles.

Other highlights of the 2011 ALWS include:

- Erik VanMeetren of Las Vegas joined an elite group of legion players to have played in three World Series tournaments. He played in 2008, 2009 and 2011.
- Eden Prairie became the third team in ALWS history to finish runner-up one year and then return to win the national championship the following year.
- Tupelo Coach Kirk Presley is the cousin of national icon Elvis Presley.

## 2012 – New Orleans LA Post 125



SHELBY NC – “An experience like no other” and “something I have dreamed about” were just a few comments made by tradition-rich New Orleans Post 125 (Jesuit High School) after capturing the club's third American Legion World Series national championship at Shelby's Veterans Field-Keeter Stadium. Other titles came in 1946 and 1960.

Powered by the strong arm of pitcher Emerson Gibbs, the 2012 recipient of the George W. Rulon Player Of The Year and the stellar play from the entire lineup, New Orleans won with defense (led the tournament in team fielding), tough pitching and timely hitting.

On opening day, Brady Williamson's two-run home run in the eleventh inning propelled New Orleans to a victory over spunky Milford CT.

Against Omaha, New Orleans found themselves down 7-1 going into the seventh inning. NOLA picked up two runs in the seventh and then exploded for five runs in the eighth. The big hit was a bases clearing double down the leftfield line by Jonathan Lee. Tony Fort-Bensen scored all the way from first to give New Orleans its first lead of the game. The play of the game and perhaps play of the tournament came in the ninth inning Taylor Elman singled to right and Omaha's Jon Hechtner was sent home from second. Mitch Alexander made a perfect one hop throw from the rightfield to catcher Matthieu Robert who made the tag on the sliding Hechtner to end the game.

Robert described the play this way: “most games only end like this in dreams. I could see that the runner was being sent home (from second) Rightfielder Mitch Alexander fields the ball and makes the throw. The time between Mitch throwing the ball and the ball hitting my mitt

seemed to be in slow motion. He (Mitch) made a perfect, one-hop throw and I caught it, blocked the plate, and tagged (the runner) I knew it; we had him out. The umpire shouts “out” and everything was a blur from that point on” Excitement reined as the team poured on to the field celebrating.

In the championship game and rematch with Brooklawn, Coach Joe Latino picked Gibbs to pitch.

Gibbs responded with a 4-0, three-hit complete game shutout victory. He retired the first 13 batters until Brett Tenuto of Brooklawn broke-up the no-hit game with a hard single to short. Gibbs retired the sides in seven of the nine innings. Matthieu Robert supplied the offense going 1-for-3 and three rbi including two rbi double and a sac fly. Mitch Alexander went 2-for-4.

New Orleans ended the year at 41-7 and pre-tourney favorite Brooklawn finished at 59-5.

Gibbs added that the ALWS “was an experience like no other. It was absolutely surreal. As soon as I saw the ball hit my catcher's mitt for the final strike, it was this overwhelming feeling that everything we worked for I had paid off.”

On being picked as the MVP – Rulon Player of the year, Gibbs was stunned. “when my name was called, I was surprised and extremely honored”.

And for the third time in three series, host Shelby shattered the ALWS attendance record. Over 100,000 fans turned out to see ALWS action despite the inclement weather.

## 2013 – Brooklawn NJ Post 72



SHELBY NC – Notre Dame has it's “win one for the Gipper” so it is fitting that Brooklawn has it's “win for for the Skipper”. The skipper was long-time legion coach Joe Barth Sr.

It worked to perfection as Brooklawn NJ Post 72 won the national championship in quick fashion beating Petaluma CA, 10-0 in a game shorten from nine innings to seven due to the “mercy” rule. It marked the first time the mercy rule was used in an ALWS championship game.

Filling in for ailing Bart Sr. was his son and coach, Dennis Barth.

The tourney in its final year of a double-elimination format and played in Shelby NC for the third successive year was a hit for the beginning.

For starters, 104,726 filled Keeter Stadium at Veterans Field breaking the all-time attendance record set the previous year.

On opening day, fans enjoyed an inside-the-park home run by Petaluma's catcher Ryan Haug, a record steal of second, third and home in the same inning by Gonzales second baseman Robbie Podrosky and a upside-down jubilation of a unusual play with an extra inning game heroics.

And that was just on opening day.

Inclement weather which has hampered previous World Series in Shelby (in 2008, 2011 and 2012) was again trying to play havoc during the '13 Series but without too much success.



Rain hampered play during six games with light-to-moderate showers throughout the opening rounds that made playing conditions soggy.

With its 2012 championship loss still fresh, Brooklawn entertained Petaluma in the championship.

2013 would be different however. Brooklawn scored early and often to end the game and rout of Petaluma.

Pitcher Mike Shawarn was masterful limiting California to just four hits. He fanned eight and did not walk a batter.

Brooklawn banged out 17 hits (one shy of the championship game record of 18) as every position player collecting a hit. Four players picked up two hits each while Nick Cieri and John Theckston picked up three hits each.

Anthony Harrold was selected as the George Rulon American Legion Player Of The Year award. He also won the Louisville Slugger Award as the top hitting in national competition. He hit .529 (18-for-34).

Brooklawn finished the year at 47-8 to cap a two-year run with a 106-13 record that included two regional championship, a national championship and national runner-up.

And for Mike Rucci, the only player to have played in four consecutive World Series (1998-2001) returned to the Series as a coach for Brooklawn.

## 2014 – Brooklawn NJ Post 72



SHELBY NC – In one of the most dominating performances in American Legion World Series championship game history, Brooklawn New Jersey Post 72 won its second straight national championship with an overpowering victory over Midland MI, 18-0 in a seven inning affair. It was Brooklawn's second consecutive 10-run victory in championship games.

The 18-run decision was the most lopsided victory in the finals and the largest shutout in championship play. Only Yonkers NY scored more runs in a ALWS championship and that was way back during the legion's first tournament in 1926. The New Yorkers scored a 23-6 win over Pocatello ID in the legion's inaugural title matchup.

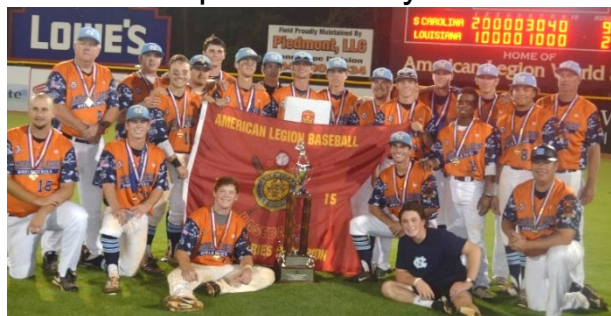
The victory was bittersweet for Brooklawn. Its long time skipper and founder Joe Barth Sr. passed away prior to the start of the season.

His son Dennis Barth, an associate head coach under his dad stepped in as the top man and continued his dad's success with the championship.

In a rematch and playing for the championship, Brooklawn wasted little time against Michigan scoring four in the first, one in the second and five in the third for a 10-0 advantage. As if that wasn't enough, the champions score eight more runs in the sixth before the game ended after seven innings. Tyle Mondile scattered five hits in the shutout and struck out five to pick-up the win. Five players in the Brooklawn lineup collected two hits or more

The championship game attendance set a modern record of 7,907. Brooklawn ended the season at 54-7 record. Midland finished at 50-8.

## 2015 – Chapin-Newberry SC



SHELBY NC – Winning championships need a combination of a solid defense, strong pitching and timely hitting. It also helps to have a bit of luck. For Chapin-Newberry, the luck came in the form of three come-from-behind victories in their march to the 2015 American Legion World Series championship.

The title game was a 9-2 decision over New Orleans before the largest championship game attendance (8,826) since 1949.

The five-day tournament attendance exceeded the record set last year with 117,072.

Attempting to be the first South Carolina ALWS champion since 1936 and the first team to finish the season unbeaten since 1928, Chapin-Newberry faced a stiff competition.

Despite its lofty unbeaten record (28-0 entering the ALWS), Chapin-Newberry was at best a long-shot entry to win it all. The favorite was the two-time defending national champion Brooklawn, New Jersey. Brooklawn was attempting to be the first three-time champion. It didn't happen.

The first of the three comeback victories came on opening day when the eventual champion scored twice in the bottom of the ninth for a 2-1 victory over former champion Midland, Michigan.

The dream of an unbeaten season came crashing down the following afternoon with a 5-2 setback at the hands of New Orleans, the 2012 national champ.

C-N regrouped with a "must win" game against Cromwell, Connecticut and true to fashion, C-N down 6-0 early exploded for six runs in the eighth inning to win 7-6.

In the semifinals against Medford, Oregon, C-N was down 3-1 going into the top of the eighth, C-N scored a run in the eighth and two in the ninth to move within one game of a national championship season.

C-N reversed its normal mode of playing in ALWS play by scoring first and built a seven-run lead in stopping New Orleans to capture the crown.

Justin Hawkins, a stellar shortstop was named to the all-tournament team and was the recipient of the George W. Rulon American Legion Player of The Year.

Perhaps one of the best games in the Series was the semifinal encounter between New Orleans and two-time defending champion Brooklawn.

Brooklawn scored a run in the top of the tenth inning and was still in contention for a possible three-peat performance but New Orleans had other plans.

The Crescent City entry scored twice in the bottom of the tenth to deny Brooklawn's chances. Mason Mayfield won the game in relief as pinch runner Connor Maginnis raced

home from second beating the throw at the plate for the victory.

The New Jersey team was led by former MVP first baseman Anthony Harrold. He became the first player in ALWS to earn a spot on the all-tournament in three consecutive years.

The tourney set a record with ten one-run decision while C-N's 32-1 record was the best since East Lynn MA went 38-1 in 1937.

## 2016 – Texarkana AR



SHELBY NC – Texarkana AR endured a hostile North Carolina state entry and overcame a four-run deficit to win the 2016 American Legion World Series championship.

It also took extra innings and extra time in doing so.

The championship battle with Rowan County, North Carolina was a matchup made in heaven for legion officials, a national television audience and the loyal fans of Shelby, North Carolina and Cleveland County.

Keeter Stadium/Veterans Field is 82.4 miles from the Rowan County courthouse so thousands of Rowan fans flooded the ballpark on Championship Tuesday.

It was definitely a home crowd environment for the North Carolina champion.

A crowd of 8,496 packed the rafters in the title game with Rowan County jumping off to a 4-0 lead against Texarkana after four innings.

Texarkana rebounded in the fifth tying the game and that was all the scoring for the remaining regulation nine-inning game.

In extra innings, Texarkana exploded for four runs in the twelfth and seemingly had the game won.

Backed by the largely dominant North Carolina fans, Rowan rallied with two in the bottom of the twelfth and had the bases loaded when the final out was made.

Score it: Texarkana AR—8, Rowan County NC—6.

The twelve innings was the third longest in championship game history and the time of 3:25 was the second longest behind the epic 13-inning championship in 2011 between Eden Prairie MN and Tupelo MS. That game went 3:31

It was Texarkana (42-5) and the state of Arkansas's first legion World Series championship and denied North Carolina's quest for a fifth national title.

Texarkana's all-purpose athlete (catcher/first base) Will Smith was chosen as the recipient of the American Legion George Rulon Player Of The Year. He hit .361 in 10 national playoff games including a pair of key hits in the championship game.

Teammate Logan Vidrine (pitcher/infielder) was the recipient of the James Daniel Sportsmanship Award. Vidrine put Arkansas in the championship game with a pitching gem in the semifinals beating Rockport, 3-1 scattering three hits.

And for the sixth straight year (all in Shelby), the attendance was shattered with 121,127 fans packing the ballpark.

## 2017 – Henderson NV



SHELBY NC – Surrendering a near record number of hits (21, the record is 22) on opening day, Henderson NV looked nothing like a national champion.

ALWS MVP Shane Spencer changed all that leading Henderson to the 2018 American Legion World Series championship with his stellar pitching performances.

Surprising everyone in attendance except his teammates and fans, Spencer led the comeback with two complete game victories.

After that disastrous opening day loss, Spencer got Henderson in the win column with a one-hit 1-0 victory.

Teammate Ryne Nelson came back in Henderson's next outing with a one-hit outing but Henderson bats fell quiet and the team lost 1-0.

Due to the tiebreaker procedure in tournament pool play, Henderson advanced to the semifinals despite its 1-2 record.

Surviving pool play with a second-place finish, Henderson moved into the championship game with a 7-3 extra inning victory over Bryant AR (the other pool play's divisional winner).

In a rematch with Omaha for the championship, Henderson went to Spencer for the win.

In a reversal of the earlier meeting, Spencer shut down the Omaha bats giving up just three hits and striking out six as Henderson (a suburb of Las Vegas) captured the national crown.

The score was 2-1 with winning run coming in the sixth inning on Nick Thompson's rbi sacrifice fly scoring JJ Smith.

Henderson (56-10 on the season) became only the eighth team since the current 8-team ALWS format to lose on opening day and come back and win it all. Texarkana did it last year..

If a Spirit award had been presented, Lewiston's Chris Powell certainly would have walked away with the award. The talented outfielder made a diving catch in Lewiston's opening game against Bryant AR. The result was a separated shoulder and he went on the DL for remainder of the Series.

The upbeat youngster vowed to return to play later in the tournament but doctors and family over-ruled that possibility.

After six straight years of recorded increased attendance, only 120,924 attended the 2018 Series. The main reason – as always – inclement weather conditions.



## 2018 – Wilmington DE Post 1



SHELBY NC – In 92 American Legion World Series tournament, fans have enjoyed many memorable games, exciting finishes, heart-stopping action but none can match the finals of the 2018 ALWS finals between tradition-rich Las Vegas NV and upstart Wilmington DE.

Wilmington Post One gave the state of Delaware its first national championship with a 1-0 extra inning victory over Las Vegas.

The game was intense and tight as neither team gained an offensive advantage through seven scoreless innings.

Las Vegas opened the eighth with a lead-off single but Wilmington's Chris Ludman retired the next three batters.

Michael Cautillo walked full count pitch. Ludman advanced Cautillo to second with a perfect bunt.

And then Austin Colmery connected on the biggest hit of his life up the middle sending Cautillo from second for the game winner. The throw from the outfield was late as Cautillo slid safely across the plate.

The overflow capacity crowd of 8,350 roared with approval as the Wilmington celebrated wildly on the field.

Ludman was selected the George W. Rulon American Legion Player Of The Year.

In the championship game, he tossed a complete extra inning complete game victory. He threw 99 pitches giving up just four hits and striking out three.

Colmery was the offensive standout going 2-for-4 and the game winning rbi. He also was the leader in total bases with 21.

Dubuque County's Sam Goodman received the Sportsmanship Award.

Wilmington finished its most successful season at 38-4.

Despite rain and lightning delays in game seven and eleven, Shelby broke the ALWS attendance record (again) with a 15-game attendance of 128,307.



Mike Cautillo scores winning run

## 2019 – Idaho Falls ID Bandits



SHELBY NC – The Bandits from out west stormed into Keeter Stadium-Veterans Field and captured the 2019 American Legion World Series giving Idaho its first national championship in ten appearances at the ALWS. Pocatello in 1926 and Lewiston in 2001 finished as national runner-up.

Led by James F. Daniel Sportsmanship and all-tournament recipient Alex Cortez, Idaho Falls downed another western team, Fargo ND Post 2 in the championship finale.

The tournament was plagued by rain with the championship game being delayed a day by serve weather in the Shelby area. The finals were played Wednesday morning after the game was halted Tuesday evening in the second inning.

When the rains fell in the second inning and the tournament officials suspended play, Fargo ND (54-8) led 2-1. When play resumed the following morning, Idaho Falls scored three in the second inning behind hits and rbi from Cortez and Tavyn Lords.

Reliever Andrew Gregerson pitched six innings with six strikeouts and limiting Fargo to one one on five hits.

Standout second baseman Bruer Webster, pitcher Caden Christenson joined Cortez and Gregerson on the all-tournament team.

The Bandits finished the year at 61-6 and enjoyed a trip to the nation's capitol to see the MLB World Series between the Astros and Nationals.

## 2020

SHELBY NC – Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, The American Legion World Series scheduled for Shelby NC was cancelled.

It was only the second time in the history of the ALWS that the annual tournament was not played.

In early years of the ALWS, the tourney was held during the annual convention. The convention in 1927 was held in Paris, France.

Logistic problems prohibited the tournament being played in France due to travel by ship as well as students missing academic time from school.



## 2021 – Idaho Falls ID Bandits



SHELBY NC – Idaho Falls Post 56 Bandits won the American Legion World Series back-to-back the hard way.

Due to the cancellation of the 2020 ALWS due to Covid-19, the Bandits were denied a back-to-back year repeat but when the Series resumed in 2021, the Bandits were back in Shelby to defend its title.

And, indeed they did. Not over-powering as the 2019 championship team that went through the tourney unbeaten, the Bandits did rise to the occasion to down a pesky Honolulu HI team in the finals, 6-1.

The team stumbled early in the Series losing to Dubuque County IA in pool play but advanced to the final round by finishing second.

In semifinal action pitting first vs. second in the Stars and Stripes Division, Idaho clipped Tupelo 9-3 setting up a battle with Honolulu for the championship.

Honolulu entered the ALWS with an undefeated record lost to Tupelo in pool play and like Idaho, made it to the semifinals as runnerup. The Islanders beat Dubuque County, 9-1 in a semifinal action.

The championship matchup between the Region Seven (Idaho) and Region 8 (Hawaii) was delayed due to a torrid rain storm on Championship Tuesday.

Rain played havoc with the Series as several games were delayed.

Championship Tuesday became Championship Wednesday with Idaho scoring six runs in the fifth inning stopping Hawaii to take the trophy by to Idaho.

Merit Jones pitched 6.1 strong innings allowing one run and striking out eight. He was relieved by Deeziel Luce in the seventh due to the legion's pitch count restriction.

The only returning player from the 2019 team Nate Rose was the recipient of the George W. Rulon Player Of the Year. The MVP was joined by Jones, Mac Jephson and Ky Howell on the all-tournament team.

## 2022 – Troy AL Post 70



SHELBY NC – In one of the most shocking upsets in American Legion World Series highlighted the 2022 ALWS.

Upstart Troy AL Post 70 claimed the championship with a come-from-behind victory over two-time defending champion Idaho Falls ID Bandits.

Idaho Falls had won in 2019 (no tournament due to Covid in 2020) and repeated in 2021 and were favorites to become the first team in Series history to win three straight. Note Brooklawn NJ won back-to-back titles in 2013 and 2014 but lost 2015 in the semifinals.

The route to the finals was difficult for Troy as well as for Idaho Falls.

Troy opened the Series with a convincing 13-1 rout of Shrewsbury MA followed by a loss to Camden SC, 6-3.

With a must win situation in the final game of pool play, Troy overcame a 3-0 deficit to League City TX to win the Stars Division title, 4-3.

Idaho Falls was ambushed on opening day losing to a strong Omaha NE team 7-3. The Bandits faced an uphill struggle from that point to advance out of pool play for any chance of a three-peat.

Idaho responded with a pair of wins over Chesapeake VA and Midland MI to win the division.

Troy downed former champion Midland MI, 5-3 while Idaho Falls stopped a surprising Shrewsbury MA club, 5-4 to match in the championship finale.

The 2023 title matchup between Idaho Falls and Troy started like it was going to be history making in favor of the Bandits.

Idaho Falls scored five runs in the second inning off five hits, an error, a walk and a balk. The key hit was a two RBI double by Ryan Horvath.

A determined Post 70 squad rebounded in the top of the third scoring three runs on a couple of hits. Idaho Falls squashed the rally forcing a pop up, line out and a caught stealing.

The game remained at 5-3 until fireworks erupted in the seventh inning.

Down to its last out, Troy led off the inning with a walk by leadoff hitter Darryl Lee followed by a single by Brooks Bryan. With one out, Idaho's starting star pitcher Merit Jones was replaced by reliever Jaxon Grimmatt. Jones had reached the limit of pitches due to pitching regulations.

Shelton Arroyo laced a rbi single scoring Lee and advancing Bryan to third. Grimmatt got designated hitter Douglas Johnson to strike out on a full count pitch for the second out.

Idaho Falls was one out away from history and earning its third straight national title but it was not to be.

The capacity crowd erupted when Tanner Taylor's singled to right scoring Brooks tying the game at 5-5.

On a 2-2 pitch and one strike away from history, Arroyo scored the eventual winning run on a wild pitch.

The inning ended on the following play but Troy accomplished its goal and led 6-5.

Idaho Falls ignited a rally in the bottom of seventh.

With one out, the Bandits loaded the bases on a walk, and two hit batters.

Reliver Press Jeffcoat overcame the excitement and regrouped and struck out the final two hitters sending Troy Post 70 and its fans into a joyous celebration, winning 6-5.

Brooks Bryan, the catcher/designated hitter was selected as the George Rulon Player of the Year and MVP. Joining Bryan on the ALWS all-tournament squad included second baseman Tanner Taylor and pitcher Douglas Johnson.

Runner-up Idaho Falls place three on the elite all-star squad with catcher R.J. Woods, pitcher Dax Whitley and outfielder Elliot Jones while teammate Deeziel Luce earned the James F. Daniel Jr. Memorial Sportsmanship Award.

Bryan took home the Louisville Slugger batting award going 15-for-30 at .500 as well as the Rawlings Big Stick RBI award with 24.

Merit Jones of the Bandits won the Bob Feller Strikeout Award with 24 strikeouts and the Dr. Irvin L. 'Click' Cowger RBI award was shared by Albert Garza, League City TX, Nick Valention, Chesapeake VA and Kyeler Thomspson, League City TX. Each picked up 12 RBI.

Manager Ross Hixon and coach D.J. Lloyd received James Williams Memorial Leadership Award.

After two years of slight decline in attendance mainly due to rain, the ALWS set an all-time record high of 132,804 and with a crowd of 10,672 for game, it was the highest attendance for a single game since 11,168 saw witnessed the finals in Omaha in 1949



**MVP Brooks Bryan with national championship**