

Bud Zipfel, "Zipper the Ripper"

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On September 12, 1962, Washington Senators first baseman Bud Zipfel hits the 10th, and final, home run of his major league career in the 16th inning to beat the Baltimore Orioles 2-1 ... earlier, Zipfel drives in the game's first run with a single in first inning.

December 14, 1960
American League
Expansion Player Draft

Here's List of Players Picked by Washington, LA

BOSTON (AP)—Here is a list of players selected by the Washington and Los Angeles teams at Wednesday's draft meeting:

LOS ANGELES

Pitchers — Jerry Casale and Fred Newman, Boston; Dean Chance and Ron Moeller, Baltimore; Truman Clevenger, Minneapolis-St. Paul; Bob Davis and Ned Garver, Kansas City; Aubrey Gatewood and Bob Sprout, Detroit; Eli Grba and Duke Maas, New York; Ken McBride, Chicago.

Catchers — Earl Averill, Chicago; Bob Rodgers, Detroit; Ed Sadowski, Boston; Bob Wilson, Cleveland.

Infielders—Ken Aspromonte and Gene Leek, Cleveland; Julio Becquer, Minneapolis-St. Paul; Jim Fregosi, Boston; Ken Hamlin, Kansas City; Ted Kluszewski, Chicago; Don Ross, Baltimore; Eddie Yost, Detroit.

Outfielders—Bob Cerv and Ken Hunt, New York; Jim McAnany, Chicago; Faye Throneberry, Minneapolis-St. Paul.

Minor leagues—Infielder Steve Bilko, Denver; outfielder Albie Pearson, Rochester.

WASHINGTON

Pitchers — Pete Burnside and Dave Sisler, Detroit; Dick Donovan and Ed Hobaugh, Chicago; John Klippstein and Carl Mathias, Cleveland; Hector Maestri, Rudy Hernandez and Hal Woodeshick, Minneapolis-St. Paul; Bobby Shantz, New York; Tom Sturdivant, Boston.

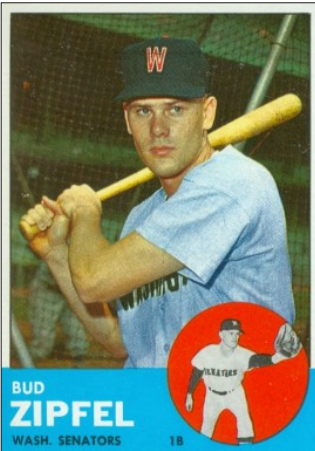
Catchers — Pete Daley and Dutch Dotterer, Kansas City; Gene Green, Baltimore.

Infielders — Chester Boak and Bob Johnson, Kansas City; Billy Klaus, Baltimore; Dale Long and Bud Zipfel, New York; Jim Mahoney, Boston; John Schaive, Minneapolis-St. Paul; Coot Veal, Detroit.

Outfielders — Joe Hicks, Chicago; Charles Hinton and Gene Woodling, Baltimore; Marty Keough and Jim King, Cleveland; Willie Tasby, Boston.

Minor leagues—Infielder Leo Burke, Rochester; Catcher Heywood Sullivan, Seattle; pitcher Joe McClain, Charleston.

However, Zipfel's heroics are over shadowed that evening by a record-setting performance by teammate Tom Cheney, who spends the evening in Baltimore's Memorial Stadium striking out an American League extra-inning record 21 Orioles ... Cheney throws 228 pitches and strikes out every Baltimore batter at least once.



Bud Zipfel's 1963 Topps rookie card (#69) card can be worth up to \$16 in near-mint to mint condition.

A multi-sport standout at Belleville (Ill.) Cathedral High School, Zipfel signs as a 17-year-old amateur free agent with the New York Yankees in June of 1956 ... assigned directly from the prep ranks to the Quincy Gems of the class B Three-I League, the Belleville, Illinois, native struggles in his first professional season, hitting just .176 with 19 hits in 108 at bats.

The tall (6'3") left-handed hitting power hitter will spend most of the next six years in the minors where he hits all but 19 of his 149 home runs in a 11-year minor league career ... Zipfel enjoys his best season in 1960, when he hits .271 with 30 doubles, 28 home runs and 107 RBIs for the Binghamton Triplets of the Eastern (A) League and is named to the league's all-star team.

A two-time minor league all-star, Zipfel is drafted by the expansion Washington Senators from the Yankees' farm system in the 1961 American League expansion player draft ... regarded as a contender to replace Bill Skowron at first base for the Yankees, Zipfel instead replaces Gil McDougald on the team's expansion draft player list that December when McDougald announces his retirement on December 9, five days before the draft ... frequently mentioned as "trade bait" following a season where he hits .258 with eight home runs and 34 RBIs, McDougald had expresses concern that he is on the list of available players for the expansion draft.

Despite hitting .391 in spring training, Zipfel, Washington's "promising young first baseman" is assigned to the Houston Buffs of the AAA American Association on

September 12, 1962
Washington at Baltimore
Memorial Stadium

WASHINGTON				BALTIMORE					
	b	r	h	bi		b	r	h	bi
Kennedy,s	6	0	1	0	Adair,s	6	0	2	0
Stillwell,2	3	1	1	0	Snyder,rf	7	0	2	0
King	1	0	1	0	Robinson,3	5	0	1	0
Cottier,2	2	0	0	0	Gentile,1	7	0	1	0
Hinton,rf	7	0	1	0	Powell,lf	6	0	1	0
Zipfel,1	7	1	3	2	Nicholsn,cf	7	0	1	0
Retzer,c	7	0	0	0	Landrith,c	6	0	0	0
Osteen	0	0	0	0	Brandt	1	0	0	0
Schmidt,c	0	0	0	0	Breeding,2	6	1	1	0
Hicks,ct	5	0	1	0	Williams	1	0	0	0
Schaive	1	0	0	0	Pappas,p	2	0	0	0
Piersall,cf	0	0	0	0	Lau	1	0	1	1
Lock,lf	7	0	1	0	Hall,p	0	0	0	0
Brinkman,3	5	0	1	0	Hoefft,p	0	0	0	0
Cheney,p	6	0	0	0	Stock,p	0	0	0	0
Totals	57	2	10	2	Totals	58	1	10	1

Lau singled for Pappas in 7th; King singled for Stillwell in 10th; Osteen ran for Retzer in 16th; Schaive fouled out for Hicks in 16th; Brandt flied out for Landrith in 16th; Williams struck out for Breeding in 16th.

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Washington 100 000 000 000 000 1-2

E—Adair, Breeding. P.O.A. Washington 48-12, Baltimore 48-16. LOB—Washington 13, Baltimore 13. 2B—Hinton, Snyder, Adair, Gentile, Hicks, Breeding. HR—Zipfel. SB—Adair, S—Cheney.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cheney (W, 6-8)	16	10	1	1	4	21
Pappas	7	4	1	1	3	4
Hall (L, 6-6)	8	13	5	1	1	4
Hoefft	1	3	1	0	0	0
Stock	1	3	0	0	1	0

WP—Cheney. Balk—Pappas. U—McKinley, Chylak, Umont, Stewart. T—3:59. A—4,098.

Bud Zipfel [2 of 2]:

24-hour recall ... Zipfel is hitting .312 with 21 home runs and 62 RBIs with the Buffs when on July 25, 1961, the Senators bring him up to the major league roster, replacing pitcher Tom Cheney who is placed on the disabled list with a rib injury.

Zipfel makes his major league debut against the Minnesota Twins on July 26 before 18,658 in Metropolitan Stadium ... batting third in the lineup, Zipfel goes 1-for-5 with a double and two strikeouts in a 10-9 loss.

On August 2, Zipfel hits his first major league home run in the 10th inning off of Detroit's Phil Regan in a 6-2 win in the nightcap of a doubleheader.

Nicknamed "Zipper the Ripper" for his power hitting - 27 of his 78 major league hits (35%) are for extra bases - Zipfel will play 118 games with the expansion Senators in 1961 and 1962, splitting time between first base (70 games) and the outfield (23 games) ... Zipfel hits .220 with 10 home runs and 39 RBIs with a slugging percentage of .370 in his two major league seasons.

Sold to the San Diego Padres in December, 1962, Zipfel will play four more minor league seasons before retiring after the 1966 season.

Zipfel currently resides in his hometown of Belleville, Illinois.

Bud Zipfel page at Baseball Reference:
<http://www.baseball-reference.com/players/z/zipfebu01.shtml>

Bud Zipfel Year by Year:

Year	Team	League	Lev	AB	HT	2B	3B	HR	RBI	AVG
1956	Quincy Gems.....	3-I League	B	108	19	3	1	0	-	.176
1957	Greenville Majors	Sooner State	D	435	116	19	5	13	-	.267
1958	Auburn Yankees	New York-Penn	D	428	116	18	4	21	89	.271
1959	Fargo-Moorhead Twins	Northern	C	480	144	27	11	17	104	0.3
1960	Binghamton Triplets	Eastern	A	509	138	30	8	28	107	.271
1961	Houston Buffs	American Assoc.	AAA	378	118	18	4	21	62	.312
1961	Washington Senators	AMERICAN	ML	170	34	7	5	4	18	.200
1962	Syracuse Chiefs.....	International	AAA	194	50	8	3	13	36	.258
1962	Washington Senators	AMERICAN	ML	184	44	4	1	6	21	.239
1963	2 Teams	2 Leagues	AA-AAA	260	54	9	3	3	21	.208
1963	San Diego Padres.....	Pacific Coast	AAA	101	24	7	1	2	4	.238
1963	Macon Peaches	South Atlantic	AA	159	30	2	2	1	17	.189
1964	Knoxville Smokies	Southern	AA	466	129	29	4	20	76	.277
1965	2 Teams	2 Lgs	AA-AAA	363	88	11	0	10	42	.242
1965	Knoxville Smokies	Southern	AA	296	73	10	0	9	36	.247
1965	Jacksonville Suns.....	International	AAA	67	15	1	0	1	6	.224
1966	2 Teams	2 Lgs	A-AA	160	32	4	3	3	14	0.2
1966	Tidewater Tides	Carolina	A	133	28	3	3	3	13	.211
1966	Arkansas Travelers	Texas	AA	27	4	1	0	0	1	.148
Minor League Totals				3781	1004	176	46	149	447	.266
Major League Totals.....				354	78	11	6	10	39	.000

All-Star Team: Sooner State, 1957; Eastern, 1960; American Association, 1961.



1963 Cincinnati Reds
Spring Training