

Jim Eisenreich

St. Cloud Saints

1983 MVP



In his own words: The biggest thing is it was at Arlington and Hamburg. We were going back and forth every weekend. We took a bus from St. Cloud. It was basically a school bus. I know that I was still going to Minneapolis a lot during the summer, meeting with doctors and getting everything straightened out and trying to figure out what was going to be straightened out. I felt like a zombie. I was taking medicine here and there. I remember sleeping on the bus. I did not really ever do that. So we got up, played the game and then we were going again.

I mostly remember the championship game. I can remember the ballpark with the concrete company located in right center. I was fortunate and hit a few home runs. I got one in the championship game. I hit it off of Big Lew (Olson). That was the big thing. He was a draftee with Red Wing. Otherwise, he played with Dundas.

We played so much it seemed. We were dead-shot tired. Our clothes didn't really get washed, we didn't care. I almost kind of laughed at our uniforms. We had the old baggy pants and kind of the orange top, like softball uniforms.

The biggest thing was probably playing with the guys that I played with. They were all either Tech or Apollo guys and they were mostly younger than me. But I got a chance to play with my little brother, Charlie, and that was always kind of a big deal for me. I'm five years older so we didn't play in high school together cause he was only an eighth grader when I was a senior. In college it was the same. When I got to play, not that I was trying to leave pro-ball, but I loved playing with my little brother. That was kind of the big thing.

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Jim Eisenreich played with the Minnesota Twins, Kansas City Royals, Philadelphia Phillies, Los Angeles Dodgers and the Miami Marlins. His Miami team won the World Series in 1997. His Philadelphia team played in the 1993 World Series. He had a lifetime batting average of .290 with 52 home runs and 477 RBI. His major league career spanned 17 years from 1982-1998.



**Scheduled to attend MVP Banquet
Thursday, August 18, 2022**

- Jim Eisenreich, St. Cloud, 1983
- Centerfielder
- Made 21 put-outs without an error
- Went 7 for 23 at the plate, batting .304
- Had three home runs while driving in 11



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