## Matt Butala

**Cold Spring** 

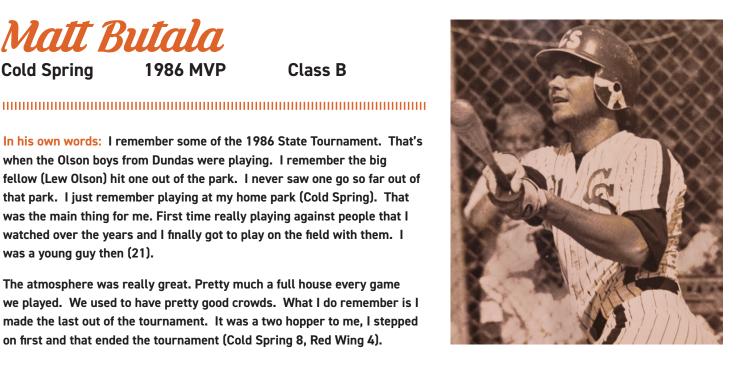
1986 MVP

Class B

In his own words: I remember some of the 1986 State Tournament. That's when the Olson boys from Dundas were playing. I remember the big fellow (Lew Olson) hit one out of the park. I never saw one go so far out of that park. I just remember playing at my home park (Cold Spring). That was the main thing for me. First time really playing against people that I watched over the years and I finally got to play on the field with them. I was a young guy then (21).

The atmosphere was really great. Pretty much a full house every game we played. We used to have pretty good crowds. What I do remember is I made the last out of the tournament. It was a two hopper to me, I stepped on first and that ended the tournament (Cold Spring 8, Red Wing 4).

I don't know if my stats were that good, but they were OK. It was a long time ago. Just playing in our own park was fun!



- · Matt Butala, Cold Spring, 1986
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- · Handled 60 chances without an error
- Batted .450 for the tournament
- · Went 9 for 20 at the plate



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