

1969 KANSAS CITY ROYALS

69-93 4th
MGR Joe Gordon (#6)
"Flash"

DP: 311 to 326

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	BA	SB	W/K	HR	T	D	L	R	RNG	Def.		
Mike Fiore #19	.274	4	PW	122	123	136	242	246	AR	LD(OF)	1B91, OF13(CF/LF/RF)	L L
Jerry Adair #14	.250	1		112	113	122	236	236	AR		2B109, SS8, 3B1	R R
Jackie Hernandez #24	.222	17		112	113	123	226	226	AAR		SS144	R R
Joe Foy #1	.262	37		115	116	132	245	242	AAR	LD	3B113, 1B16, OF16(CF), SS5, 2B3	R R
Pat Kelly #18	.264	40		114	116	134	243	243	S	T-1	OF107(RF/CF)	L L
Bob Oliver #33	.254	5		121	123	131	244	236	AR	LD(3B)	OF98(CF/RF/LF), 1B12, 3B8	R R
Lou Piniella #9	.282	2		115	122	135	251	251	AR	T-1	OF129(LF)	R R
Ellie Rodriguez #11	.236	3		112	-	124	233	233	AR		C90	R R
Ed Kirkpatrick "Spanky" #8	.257	3		124	131	143	236	242	AR		OF82(RF/LF/CF), C8, 1B2, 3B2, 2B1	L R
Paul Schaal #10	.263	2		111	-	121	246	242	AR	LD	3B49, 2B6, SS6	R R
Chuck Harrison #7	.221	1		113	114	123	232	225	AR		1B55	R R
"Buck" Martinez #21 <i>John</i>	.229	0	MW	114	115	125	233	231	SLO		C55, OF1(RF)	R R
Juan Rios #12	.224	1	MW	111	112	122	232	226	AR	LD	2B46, SS32, 3B4	R R
Joe Keough #16	.187	5	MK	-	-	113	212	215	AR		PH, OF49(CF/RF/LF), 1B1	L L
"Hawk" Taylor #31 <i>Robert</i>	.270	0		121	-	141	245	244	SLO	LD(OF)	PH, OF18(RF), C6	R R
Jim Campanis #20	.157	0		-	-	131	164	164	SLO		C26	R R
Luis Alcaraz #39	.253	0		113	116	125	243	236	AR		2B19, 3B2, SS1	R R
Scott Northey #44	.262	6	PK	114	125	136	245	242	AAR		OF18(CF)	R R
Fred Rico #46	.231	0	PW PK	-	-	135	235	231	AR	T-1	OF9(RF/CF), 3B1	R R
George Spriggs #30	.138	0	PK	-	121	144	155	156	AR	LD	PH, OF6(LF/CF/RF)	L R
Wally Bunker	.143	1	PK	-	-	123	164	156	SLO		P35	R R
Roger Nelson	.138	0	MW PK	-	114	-	163	155	SLO		P29	R R
Jim Rooker	.281	0	MW PK	133	-	152	253	246	SLO		P28	R L
Mike Hedlund	.152	1	MW PK	-	-	-	166	162	SLO		P34	R R
Moe Drabowsky	.235	0	MW PK	-	-	131	235	232	SLO		P52	R R
Tom Burgmeier	.167	0	MW PK	-	-	-	166	166	SLO		P31, OF1(RF)	L L
Pitcher R	.110	-	MW PK	111	-	113	153	145	SLO			
Pitcher L	.110	-	MW PK	111	-	113	145	146	SLO			
	ERA	IP	W	K	G	GS	SV					
Wally Bunker #27	3.23	223	131	615	35	31	2	.143	R R			
Dick Drago #41	3.77	201	133	622	41	26	1	.058	R R			
Bill Butler #29	3.90	194	143	554	34	29	0	.050	L L			
Roger Nelson #35	3.31	193	134	631	29	29	0	.138	R R	"Spider"		
Jim Rooker #13 #22	3.75	158	143	565	28	22	0	.281	R L			
Mike Hedlund #32	3.24	125	132	615	34	16	2	.152	R R	"Red"		
Steve Jones #37 #46 <i>LD</i>	4.23	45	145	566	20	4	0	.125	L L			
Chris Zachary #40 #42	7.85	18	133	643	8	2	0	.500	L R			
Jerry Cram #38	3.24	17	134	614	5	2	0	.000	R R			
Moe Drabowsky #25	2.94	98	133	554	52	0	11	.235	R R			
Tom Burgmeier #34	4.17	54	134	633	31	0	0	.167	L L			
Dave Wickersham #40	3.96	50	126	623	34	0	5	.000	R R			
Dave Morehead #17	5.73	33	165	541	21	2	0	.000	R R	"Moe"		
Don O'Riley #23	6.94	23	151	634	18	0	1	.000	R R			
Galen Cisco #26	3.63	22	155	552	15	0	1	.000	R R			
Al Fitzmorris #42	4.22	11	135	644	7	0	2	.000	B R			

Major league baseball returned to K. C. in '69 with the Royals taking the field at Municipal Stadium, the one time home of the Oakland A's before that team's move to the West Coast for the '68 season. They opened the year 2-0 against the Twins at home. Moe Drabowsky won the Royals' very first game. The ball club was managed by Joe Gordon, the former standout second baseman (and former AL MVP) for the Yankees and Indians...Ed Kirkpatrick was the team leader that first year with 14 home runs. Joe Foy topped the ball club with 71 RBI. Bob Oliver hit thirteen dingers; Mike Fiore added twelve. Young Lou Piniella cracked 11 homers, was second to Foy with 68 RBI and led the team in hits (139). The Royals hit .240 and 98 home runs...The pitching staff's top winner was former Oriole Wally Bunker with twelve. Lefty Bill Butler (nine wins) led the staff with 156 K's. Reliever Drabowsky and starter Dick Drago both won eleven games. Bunker and Drago completed ten contests apiece while Butler led the staff in shutouts with four. The Royals finished eighth in the A.L. with a sound 3.72 ERA...K. C. would end the year 28 games behind the first place Twins in the AL West.