

1971 PITTSBURGH PIRATES

97-65 1st
MGR Danny Murtaugh (#40)

DP: 311 to 336

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	BA	SB	W/K	HR	T	D	L	R	RNG	Def.		
Bob Robertson #7	.271	1		126	131	143	246	244	AR		1B126	R R
Dave Cash #30	.289	13	MK	111	113	125	254	252	AAR		2B105, 3B24, SS3	R R
Gene Alley #14	.227	9		114	122	131	231	231	AAR		SS108, 3B1	R R
Richie Hebner #20	.271	2		123	131	144	243	245	AR		3B108	L R
Roberto Clemente #21	.341	1	MW	115	122	142	314	311	AAR	SD/T-1	OF124(RF)	R R
Al Oliver "Scoop" #16	.282	4		116	123	144	251	251	AAR		OF116(CF), 1B25	L L
Willie Stargell #8	.295	0	PK	142	-	161	253	254	AR	T-1	OF138(LF)	L L
Manny Sanguillen "Sangy" #35	.319	6	MW MK	113	115	134	263	263	AR	SD	C135	R R
Vic Davalillo #18	.285	10	MW	111	115	133	246	252	AAR	T-1	OF61(RF/CF/LF), 1B16	L L
Gene Clines #15	.308	15		111	114	131	262	256	AAR	T-1	OF74(CF/LF/RF)	R R
Jackie Hernandez #2	.206	0		113	116	126	224	222	AR		SS75, 3B9	R R
Bill Mazeroski "Maz" #9	.254	0	MK	111	112	115	244	236	AR		2B46, 3B7	R R
Jose Pagan #11	.241	0		121	-	122	234	234	AR		3B41, OF3(LF), 1B2	R R
Rennie Stennett #6	.353	1	MW MK	111	121	132	315	314	AAR		2B36	R R
Milt May #29	.278	0		124	-	126	246	246	SLO		C31	L R
Charlie Sands #4	.200	0	PW	123	-	152	214	222	SLO	LD	C3	L R
Richie Zisk	.200	0	PW PK	132	-	154	222	221	AR		OF6(LF/RF)	R R
Dock Ellis	.203	2	PK	-	-	-	225	221	SLO		P31	B R
Steve Blass	.120	0	MW	-	113	-	152	152	SLO		P33	R R
Nelson Briles	.256	0	PK	116	-	145	242	241	SLO		P37	R R
Bruce Kison	.065	0	PK	-	-	121	132	132	SLO		P18	R R
Bob Veale	.333	0	MW PK	-	-	-	266	266	SLO		P37	B 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		
Steve Blass #28	2.85	240	131	616	33	33	0	.120	R R
Dock Ellis #17	3.06	227	131	614	31	31	0	.203	B R
Bob Johnson #27	3.45	175	132	616	31	27	0	.063	L R
Luke Walker #23	3.55	160	133	622	28	24	0	.022	L L
Bob Moose #38	4.11	140	125	626	30	18	1	.103	R R
Nelson Briles #22 #34	3.04	136	126	621	37	14	1	.256	R R "Nellie"
Bruce Kison #25 #37	3.40	95	135	613	18	13	0	.065	R R
Dave Giusti #31	2.93	86	134	612	58	0	30	.059	R R
Jim "Mudcat" Grant #19 #22 +	3.60	75	134	643	42	0	7	.250	R R
Bob Veale #39	6.99	46	143	555	37	0	2	.333	B L
Jim Nelson #32	2.34	35	162	641	17	2	0	.500	R R
Bob Miller #32 *	1.29	28	144	624	16	0	3	.000	R R
Ramon Hernandez #36 #51	0.73	12	123	566	10	0	4	.500	B L

For the entire decade of the 1970s the Pirates year after year fielded some of the best teams and star players the game has ever seen. Roberto Clemente, now a vocal leader on the ball club--if not entirely by example on the diamond--seemed to use his iron will to lead this ball club to success in the '71 post-season... Willie Stargell would lead the Bucs on offense with an MVP-caliber season after slamming 48 home runs, driving home 125, and scoring 104 runs. Bob Robertson followed with 26 taters and 72 RBI. Richie Hebner socked 17 homers while Al Oliver finished with fourteen. As for Clemente, "The Great One" popped 13 home runs and led the ball club with 178 base hits. He ended the year fourth in the majors and N.L. in batting average. The Buccos were second in the league with a .274 team average. They were FIRST in homers (154), triples (61), hits (1,555), and runs scored (788)... The pitching staff was ranked third in the N.L. with a 3.31 ERA. Dock Ellis led the staff with a 19-9 W/L record and 137 strikeouts. Steve Blass went 15-8 and topped the staff with twelve complete games and five shutouts. Bob Moose won eleven while lefty Luke Walker was a ten-game winner. Spot-starter Nellie Briles was 8-4 for the season... The Bucs beat the Giants in the NLCS, three games to one, before defeating the Orioles in a fabulous World Series, four games to three. Steve Blass was the triumphant winning pitcher and hero in Game Seven. But the '71 Fall Classic fittingly showcased Roberto Clemente who hit .414 and made a handful of incredible throws from his right field position to thwart The Birds. He seemed to carry the Pirates on his back to win this World Championship according to some teammates, and Clemente, without saying a word was proud to do it. Roberto had felt for quite sometime that his life on this Earth would be a short one. Perhaps his performance in the '71 World Series was motivated by his premonition... On June 25, 1971, Stargell hit the longest home run in the history of Philadelphia's Veterans Stadium. It came in the second inning off former teammate Jim Bunning. The titanic blast landed in the ball park's 600 level (second from the top) and was said to be still on the rise when it landed in an EXIT portal and rolled into a concourse. The actual distance of the bomb has never been determined. The spot was marked with a yellow star and black "S".