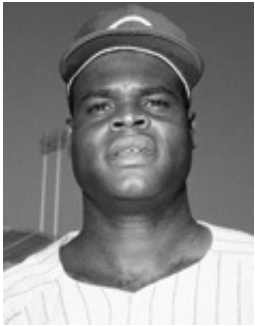


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LEE MAY OBITUARY

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Lee May, a three-time Major League Baseball All-Star, died Saturday, July 29, 2017, in Cincinnati, where he lived, according to multiple news sources. He was 74.

The Cincinnati Reds also announced May's death but didn't provide any other information as to the cause.

"We are deeply saddened to lose the Big Bopper. Lee May was a friend of the hall and of everyone with whom he came in contact," said Rick Walls, executive director of the Reds Hall of Fame and Museum, of which May was a member. "Our condolences go out to Lee's family during this difficult time. We will always remember him for his contributions to the Reds, but also for his humor and genuine kindness."

May led the Reds in home runs for three seasons.

May played 18 seasons in the MLB. He had 100-RBI seasons for the Reds and two other teams, the Houston Astros and the Baltimore Orioles.

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May was born March 23, 1943, in Birmingham, Alabama. The slugger was known as the Big Bopper From Birmingham.

He made his MLB debut playing for the Reds. He was with that team from 1965 to 1971. He played for the Astros from 1972 to 1974, the Orioles from 1975 to 1980, and the Kansas City Royals from 1981 to 1982.

As an Oriole in 1976, he led the American League in RBI. As an Astro, he started at first base for the National League team in the 1972 All-Star game.

In addition to the Reds Hall of Fame, May was a member of the Orioles Hall of Fame and the Alabama Sports Hall of Fame.