

= Ike Davis =

Isaac Benjamin " Ike " Davis ( born March 22 , 1987 ) is an American professional baseball first baseman in the New York Yankees organization . From 2010 through 2015 , he played in MLB for the New York Mets , Pittsburgh Pirates and Oakland Athletics .

Davis led his high school team to three straight Arizona state championships as a pitcher / first baseman . As a hitter he batted .447 , while as a pitcher he recorded a 23 ? 0 win ? loss record , a 1 @. @ 85 earned run average ( ERA ) , and 14 saves . He also pitched for the gold medal @- @ winning U.S.A. Youth National Team in the 2003 World Youth Championships , and was the most valuable player of the 2004 AFLAC All @- @ American High School Baseball Classic . Ranked second in the nation as a freshman for Arizona State University by both Baseball America and Collegiate Baseball , he was named Pac @- @ 10 Conference Freshman of the Year , as he became the first freshman ever to lead the conference in runs batted in ( RBIs ) . He hit .353 with a .605 slugging percentage in college , threw a fastball that reached 94 miles per hour , and was a two @- @ time All @- @ American and a three @- @ time All @- @ Pac @- @ 10 selection .

Davis was drafted 18th overall in the first round of the 2008 MLB Draft . In the minor leagues , he batted .288 with a .371 on @- @ base percentage ( OBP ) , and a .467 slugging percentage , and was the Mets 2009 Organizational Player of the Year .

The Mets called him up to the majors in April 2010 . His 11 home runs prior to the All @- @ Star break that season tied him for the second @- @ most ever by a Mets rookie . He set the Mets rookie record for total bases ( 230 ) , and tied the Mets rookie records for bases on balls ( 72 ) and extra @- @ base hits ( 53 ) . He was named the first baseman on Baseball America 's 2010 All @- @ Rookie Team . During a 2011 season shortened by an ankle injury , Davis batted .302 . In 2012 he batted .227 , but his 32 home runs were 5th @- @ best in the National League . In 2013 , he split his time between the Mets and AAA Las Vegas . He was traded to the Pirates in April 2014 , and traded to the Athletics after the season .

= = Early years = =

Davis was born in Edina , Minnesota , to Millie ( née Gollinger ) Davis and former major league pitcher Ron Davis , who pitched in 481 games in the majors in his 11 @- @ year career . His father was a power relief pitcher , and an American League All @- @ Star in 1981 . He pitched from 1978 to 1988 , starting with the New York Yankees ( 1978 ? 81 , going 27 ? 10 with 22 saves , primarily as the setup man for Rich Gossage ) . He then pitched for the Minnesota Twins , Chicago Cubs , Los Angeles Dodgers , and San Francisco Giants . His father retired when he was 32 , however , so he mostly remembers old @- @ timers ' games , such as the one in which he met Derek Jeter when he was 12 . He and his father are the 197th father @- @ son combination to have both played in the major leagues .

Ike went to Cocopah Middle School and has a field there named after him . He took the baseball team to two straight state championships . He set a school record with 18 home runs in one season and 3 in one game .

Davis is Jewish . His mother , the youngest daughter of Bernard and Harriet Gollinger , is Jewish , and his father is Baptist . Davis embraces both sides of his family ' s history . His mother 's family was from Lithuania , and a significant portion of it was murdered in The Holocaust .

His great aunt on his mother ' s side was a Holocaust survivor , and Davis said : " She was the one who knew everything that happened . She was able to come to the United States , and she brought the story with her . " Davis ' grandfather on his father ' s side was a paratrooper in the United States Army who landed in France on D @- @ Day in 1944 , and later helped liberate one of the Nazi concentration camps .

Davis ' given names are Isaac and Benjamin ( after his mother 's two grandfathers ) . Although Davis does not practice Judaism and is non @- @ religious , he stated : " I am really proud of my Jewish heritage " and describes himself as " culturally Jewish . " He reflected : " It 's funny about Judaism ; It doesn ' t matter if you 're ultra @- @ religious or not , as long as you know that it 's in

you or you 're a part of it , everyone accepts you . " He often uses the Jewish greeting " shalom " . Davis states : " I 'm glad Jewish kids get to see they can grow up to be professional baseball players . " Davis followed four other players of Jewish heritage on the Mets : Art Shamsky , Shawn Green , Scott Schoeneweis , and Josh Satin .

As a youth , he attended a five @-@ day baseball fundamentals camp that his father runs for children ages 5 ? 14 . His father was also his little league coach until he was 14 . His father said :

People would say Ike was good because his dad was a player . But it 's not that easy .... I can tell Ike how to swing , I can teach him to pitch , [ teach ] the game of baseball , but he 's the only one to make it to the big leagues . You can 't teach heart and soul . That 's what it takes to play in the game .

= = High school = =

Davis attended Chaparral High School in Scottsdale , Arizona , where he won three state titles ( 2003 ? 05 ) . His father would throw him batting practice . He hit .559 as a sophomore , the school record , ahead of Paul Konerko 's .558 in 1994 . He also hit a school @-@ record 23 doubles , breaking Konerko 's record of 18 . He followed that up by batting .425 as a junior ( when he was also Arizona 4A Pitcher of the Year ) , and .450 as a senior . As a senior , he had a 92 ? 93 mph fastball , to complement his changeup and slider . He was ranked 12th in the country by Baseball America , and was a high school All @-@ American .

In 2003 , he also pitched for the U.S.A. Youth National Team ( 16 @-@ under ) in international play . They won the gold medal in the International Baseball Federation XI " AA " World Youth Championships in Taiwan . In 2004 , he played on the U.S.A. Junior National Team ( 18 @-@ under ) . In his two seasons playing for Team U.S.A. , he batted .404 .

In 2004 , he was one of 40 players from across the country chosen to play in the AFLAC All @-@ American High School Baseball Classic . He won the MVP Award for the game , hitting the go @-@ ahead home run for his team . The following year , he was MVP in the all star 2005 High School American Game .

By November 2004 , the 17 @-@ year @-@ old Davis was already 6 ft 4 in ( 1 @.@ 93 m ) and 194 pounds . In 2005 , despite his having indicated he was going to go to college , he was drafted in the 19th round by the Tampa Bay Devil Rays . He elected not to sign .

Davis graduated from high school with a .447 batting average in 320 at bats , with 48 doubles ( a school record , ahead of Konerko 's 44 ) , 12 home runs , and 106 runs batted in ( RBIs ) ( third in school history ) . As a pitcher he was a perfect 23 ? 0 , with a 1 @.@ 85 ERA , 14 saves , and 213 strikeouts ( a school record ) in 174 innings . His teams were 95 ? 8 over his sophomore , junior , and senior years .

= = College baseball career = =

= = = Freshman year ( 2006 ) = = =

Davis chose to attend Arizona State University ( ASU ) . In October 2005 , he was ranked the # 2 freshman in the nation by both Baseball America and Collegiate Baseball . He pitched ( as the team 's Friday night starter ; the role given the " ace " of a college rotation ) , was the designated hitter , and played first base and corner outfield . In March 2006 , he was named a Louisville Slugger National Player of the Week , Pac @-@ 10 Conference Player of the Week , and College Baseball Foundation National Honor Roll Player of the Week for a week in which he batted .588 and drove in 13 runs , in four games .

In 2006 , with 65 RBIs in 227 at bats he became the first freshman ever to lead the Pac @-@ 10 in runs batted in during the regular season , and set the ASU freshman RBI record . Batting clean @-@ up , he hit .329 with 79 hits ( third all @-@ time , for an ASU freshman ) , 23 doubles ( tied for the Pac @-@ 10 lead , and tying the ASU record for doubles by a freshman ) , and a .542 slugging

percentage in 58 games . His 9 home runs tied him with Bob Horner ( 1976 ) for third all @-@ time by a Sun Devil freshman , 2 behind Barry Bonds ( 11 , in 1983 ) . He was also the team 's opening day starter , and pitched a team @-@ high 12 starts . He was named a Collegiate Baseball Louisville Slugger Freshman All @-@ American , Rivals.com First @-@ Team Freshman All @-@ American , Baseball America Second @-@ Team Freshman All @-@ American , Jewish Sports Review First @-@ Team All @-@ American , American Baseball Coaches Association ( ABCA ) First @-@ Team All @-@ West Region , Pac @-@ 10 Freshman of the Year , and a member of the First @-@ Team All @-@ Pac @-@ 10 .

Davis spent the first part of the summer of 2006 with Team USA . He then played in 22 games for the Anchorage Bucs of the Alaska Baseball League , and was named the # 10 prospect in the league by Baseball America .

= = = Sophomore year ( 2007 ) = = =

Davis demonstrated his versatility in an April 2007 game . He came to the mound with his team trailing 5 ? 4 , ended the inning by striking out a batter , and in the next half @-@ inning stole home as the lead runner in a triple steal . For his sophomore season , he primarily played right field ( batting .349 with 23 doubles ? tied for the conference lead ? and 61 RBIs , in 62 games ) and pitched as a middle reliever ( sporting a 1 @. @ 35 ERA ) . He again received First @-@ Team All @-@ Pac @-@ 10 honors , and was named a Collegiate Baseball Louisville Slugger Third Team All @-@ American , a National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association ( NCBWA ) Third @-@ Team All @-@ American , and again a Jewish Sports Review First @-@ Team All @-@ American .

In the summer of 2007 , he played for the Wareham Gatemen in the Cape Cod League . A bone spur in his left wrist required surgery over the summer .

= = = Junior year ( 2008 ) = = =

He was named a pre @-@ season 2008 All @-@ Pac @-@ 10 outfielder by Rivals.com , and a pre @-@ season Third @-@ Team All @-@ American by both the NCBWA and Collegiate Baseball . In consecutive weeks in March 2008 he was named both the Louisville Slugger National Player of the Week and the Pac @-@ 10 Conference Player of the Week . In the first week he hit .450 and struck out all four batters he faced . In the second week he batted .529 with a 1 @. @ 412 slugging percentage , and recorded five outs from the mound , four by strikeout , without giving up a hit . He was the first Sun Devil to win the Pac @-@ 10 @-@ award in consecutive weeks since Travis Buck in 2004 . The College Baseball Foundation named him to its National All @-@ Star Lineup .

For his junior season , Davis hit .385 , with a .457 on @-@ base percentage and a .742 slugging percentage . He hit 23 doubles ( tied for the Pac @-@ 10 lead ) , 16 home runs , and 76 RBIs in 213 at bats over 52 games , while missing 10 games with a rib oblique muscle strain . He was 4 ? 1 as a pitcher , with a 2 @. @ 25 ERA , 4 saves , 20 strikeouts in 24 innings against 4 walks , and hit 94 miles per hour on the radar gun . He also threw out four runners from right field . He was named ASU On Deck Circle Most Valuable Player ; prior winners included Dustin Pedroia , Willie Bloomquist , Paul Lo Duca , and Barry Bonds . He received First @-@ Team All @-@ Pac @-@ 10 honors for the third straight year . He was also named a First Team All @-@ American by Baseball America , Collegiate Baseball , the NCBWA , Rivals.com , and the ABCA . Four of his Sun Devils teammates that season went on to play in the major leagues : Brett Wallace , Jake Elmore , Jason Kipnis , and Mike Leake .

He hit .353 in his college career , with a .605 slugging percentage ( 10th @-@ best in ASU history ) . He totaled 159 runs ( 8th @-@ best ) , 244 hits , 33 homers ( 5th ) , 69 doubles ( 2nd , behind Dustin Pedroia ) , and 202 RBIs ( 3rd ) . On the mound , he ended his college career as the Sun Devils closer , and totaled a 7 ? 5 mark with 4 saves and 78 strikeouts in his career . Davis was also a part of two Pac @-@ 10 Championship teams , and went to the College World Series in 2007 . He was named to the ASU All @-@ Decade team .

Scouts felt he was at his best as a batter when he used the whole field . They noted that his bat

speed allowed him to wait on pitches and drive them the other way , and that he was quick enough to catch up to good fastballs . Mark Schlereth of ESPN observed : " The bigger the game , the better he plays . "

= = Minor leagues ( 2008 ? 10 , 2013 ) = =

Davis was the 18th player taken in the first round of the 2008 Major League Baseball Draft , chosen by the New York Mets in his junior year as compensation for the Mets ' loss of Tom Glavine to the Atlanta Braves in free agency . He was drafted for his power bat . Baseball America ranked him the third @-@ best college power hitter in the draft , and The New York Times indicated that he projects to hit 25 ? 30 home runs . He signed for \$ 1 @. @ 575 million .

Davis said , " It was a huge thrill . I was excited to be picked by New York . " He received fatherly advice from his dad , and recalled :

He just said they 've got the best fans , and it 's a blast because every game is live or die for them . It 's a great environment to grow up playing baseball , and learning how to play under pressure in front of all those people . He loved it , and I 'm looking forward to it , too .

Davis was assigned to the Single @-@ A Brooklyn Cyclones . On defense he excelled , as he committed only one error in 492 total chances at first base , for a league @-@ leading .998 fielding percentage . Uncharacteristically , he struggled on offense , batting only .256 , without a home run in 58 games . Asked the following year to name his most embarrassing professional moment , he replied : " Not hitting one home run in my first professional season . " He noted :

It was first time I ever swung wood full time . I was learning how to play pro ball . I had never played every day in my life . That 's totally different .... You have to learn to conserve your energy . In college , you just left it all out on the field every game . In pro ball , you do that and you 'll wear out , because you play every single day .

In 2009 , Davis started the year with the St. Lucie Mets . He began to turn it around , hitting .289 with 7 home runs in 59 games . He was then promoted to the Double @-@ A Binghamton Mets , where he came into his own , hitting .309 with 13 home runs , 41 RBIs , and a .565 slugging percentage in half a season . Mako Oliveras , the B @-@ Mets manager , described him by saying : " Very live bat ; the ball jumps off his bat when he makes contact . And as for defense , he 's like a vacuum cleaner . " For 2009 , Davis was named the Mets Organizational Player of the Year .

After the season the Mets assigned him to the Surprise Rafters of the Arizona Fall League , where he hit .391 . He was named to the Arizona Fall League 's all star Rising Stars Game . In September 2009 , he played for the gold @-@ medal @-@ winning U.S.A. World Cup team . In the off @-@ season , Baseball America rated him the Mets ? No. 4 prospect .

Promoted to the Buffalo Bisons , the Mets ' Triple @-@ A affiliate , to start the 2010 season , he hit .364 with a .500 on @-@ base percentage in 10 games .

For the week ending June 24 , 2013 , Davis was the Pacific Coast League 's Player of the Week . In 2013 , in 10 games with the AAA Las Vegas 51s , he batted .364 with a .500 on @-@ base percentage and a .636 slugging percentage .

In his minor league career , he batted .289 , with a .376 OBP and a .487 slugging percentage in 752 at bats .

= = Major leagues ( 2010 ? present ) = =

= = = New York Mets = = =

= = = = 2010 = = = =

Davis played in spring training with the Mets in 2010 , and led the team with a .480 average as he hit 3 homers . He also sparkled on defense , prompting José Reyes to observe : " People talk about

his hitting , but he is one of the best defensive first basemen you will ever see for a player his age . " Many Mets players were rooting for Davis to break camp with the team , but he was sent down to the minors at the end of spring training . On April 19 , however , the Mets purchased Davis 's minor league contract . At that point Davis had played only 65 games in his life above the Single @-@ A level .

Davis made his debut at Citi Field on April 19 against the Chicago Cubs . He singled in his first at bat , and had two singles in four at bats in a Mets win . " This is awesome , " he gushed . In a sign of acceptance and welcome , after the victory Mets veteran Jeff Francoeur slapped a shaving @-@ cream pie in his face . Davis had two multi @-@ hit games in his first four games . In his fifth game , on April 23 , he hit his first home run . It traveled 450 feet ( 140 m ) , onto Shea Bridge at Citi Field , and was the longest home run of any Met at Citi Field . He had his first multi @-@ home @-@ run game on May 7 .

A gifted , slick @-@ fielding defensive first baseman , in 3 of his first 21 games he made spectacular catches of foul pop @-@ ups , bracing himself against the railing in front of the first base dugout , and then flipping over the railing as he caught the ball . The 6 ft 4 in ( 1 @. @ 93 m ) Davis said : " I 'm going to try to catch any ball I can . I 've got long arms , I guess . I 'd rather end the game , than worry about getting a bruise . "

The Met fans began to treat him like a folk hero . The New York Post described him as a " cult hero . " Within a month of his debut , he had become a fan favorite . " I Like Ike " banners began appearing at Citi Field , a phrase once used in the decades @-@ prior presidential campaigns of Dwight D. Eisenhower . Weeks later , he recalled :

I had such nerves the first few days . I didn 't even have an approach . It was just see the ball , hit the ball . Only now am I settling in , getting the chance to think about how a pitcher is going to approach me .

While the Mets had appeared uncertain whether Davis could handle the pressure of the major leagues as spring training ended , by mid @-@ May ? just a month after calling him up to the majors ? they moved him to the cleanup spot in the batting order . Manager Jerry Manuel said : " I think we 're going to try to leave him there for a while . I think he 's ready to handle that . "

On June 8 , Davis hit his first career walk off home run , against the Padres ' Edward Mujica . His 11 home runs prior to the All Star break tied with Benny Agbayani ( 1999 ) for the second @-@ most by a Mets rookie , behind Ron Swoboda ( 15 , in 1965 ) .

By September 26 , as advanced defense metrics reflected a " UZR / 150 " ( ultimate zone rating ) of 12 @. @ 5 , putting him second in baseball behind Oakland 's Daric Barton , sportswriter Mike Silva mused as to whether he could win a Gold Glove . Using the advanced metric Defensive Runs Saved , sportswriter John Dewan indicated that Davis was best in the NL and second @-@ best in baseball , having saved 14 runs , again behind only Barton in the majors . He showed good range , and saved a number of throws with his soft hands on scoops .

For the season , he was second among all NL rookies in runs ( 73 ) , doubles ( 33 ) , walks ( 72 ) , extra @-@ base hits ( 53 ) , on @-@ base percentage ( .351 ) , and OPS ( .791 ) . He was also third in RBIs ( 71 ) and slugging percentage ( .440 ) , and tied for third in home runs ( 19 ) .

He set the Mets rookie record for total bases ( 230 ) . He also tied Lee Mazzilli 's 1977 Mets rookie record in walks ( 72 ) and Ty Wigginton 's 2003 Mets rookie record in extra @-@ base hits ( 53 ) . He was second among rookies in Mets history with 33 doubles ( behind Wigginton ) , his 19 home runs tied for second @-@ most with Ron Swoboda ( 1965 ) , behind Darryl Strawberry ( 1983 ) , his 71 RBIs tied for second with Wigginton , behind Strawberry , and his 138 hits were 4th on the Mets all @-@ time list ( behind Jay Payton ? 2000 , Ron Hunt ? 1963 , and Wigginton ) .

Davis was named the first baseman on Baseball America 's 2010 All @-@ Rookie Team . He came in 7th in the voting for 2010 NL Rookie of the Year , receiving two third @-@ place votes .

===== 2011 =====

Davis started the 2011 season by establishing a Mets record , with at least one RBI in 9 of his first 10 games . On May 10 , he sustained a left ankle sprain and bone bruise in a collision with third

baseman David Wright . The injury occurred on a routine popup near the pitcher 's mound , with Davis rolling his ankle in an injury that didn 't appear very serious at the time . On June 22 , he was told that the injury might require season @-@ ending surgery . On September 6 , ESPN reported that Davis was rehabbing his ankle and would not need surgery .

During his injury @-@ shortened 2011 season , Davis batted .302 with a .925 OPS , in 139 at bats in 36 games . He hit 7 home runs , and had 25 RBIs .

In 2011 , Davis also appeared on an episode of the fourth season of MTV 's game show Silent Library .

===== 2012 =====

In early March 2012 , Davis was diagnosed with valley fever , a rare dust @-@ borne fungal infection endemic in the American southwest .

Davis started the season slowly , but then began hitting , getting one homer in each of three games of a four @-@ game span in mid @-@ April . On May 24 , he had the second @-@ lowest batting average ( .159 ) of all qualified major leaguers . As of June 15 , he had raised his batting average to .188 . On June 18 , Davis hit his first career grand slam against Jake Arrieta of the Orioles . The grand slam also extended his hitting streak to 9 games , and Davis hit .462 ( 12 @-@ for @-@ 26 ) during the span . After the hot streak Davis cooled and again struggled . Davis was ejected from a Major League game for the first time in his career on June 26 , when he argued with umpire Manny Gonzalez after Steve Clevenger was ruled safe at first on a pickoff attempt . In June , he had 10 consecutive extra @-@ base hits ( five home runs and five doubles ) , the second @-@ longest such streak in Mets history .

On July 28 , Davis hit home runs in his first three at bats ( all solo home runs ) against the Arizona Diamondbacks ' Ian Kennedy , eventually going 4 @-@ for @-@ 4 ( adding a single in his final at bat ) . Davis became only the 9th Met in history to hit 3 home runs in one game . The 3 homers in one game were also a career high for Davis ; with them he also reached 20 home runs for the season , breaking his prior year high of 19 home runs .

He ended the 2012 season with a .227 batting average , 32 home runs ( 5th in the National League ) , and 90 RBIs , as his home @-@ run @-@ every @-@ 16 @-@ 2 @-@ at @-@ bats was 3rd in the NL behind Giancarlo Stanton and Ryan Braun . He became the 16th Met to surpass 30 home runs in a season . On defense , his fielding percentage of .994 at first base was 5th @-@ best in the league .

===== 2013 =====

Davis struggled early in 2013 and became a subject of criticism for many Mets fans and sports analysts . In June , Davis was sent down to Triple @-@ A Las Vegas for 10 games , in which he batted .364 . He was recalled in early July . He tied a team record set by John Olerud in 1998 , by reaching base at least twice in 12 straight starts from July 29 ? August 13 . He recovered to hit .286 in the second half , with a .449 on @-@ base percentage . For the season , he batted .205 with 9 home runs and 33 RBIs for the Mets , in 103 games .

===== 2014 =====

Davis was the 2014 Opening Day starting first baseman for the Mets . Early in the season he was platooned with Lucas Duda and Josh Satin . On April 4 , Mets ' manager Terry Collins announced that Duda would get the bulk of the playing time at first base . On April 5 , Davis hit a walk @-@ off grand slam coming off the bench against the Cincinnati Reds .

===== Pittsburgh Pirates =====

On April 18 , 2014 , the Mets traded Davis to the Pittsburgh Pirates in exchange for Zack Thornton

and a player to be named later , Blake Taylor . Davis hit another grand slam against the Reds on April 21 , becoming the third player in MLB history to switch teams midseason and hit a grand slam against the same opponent ( following Ray Boone in 1953 , and Mike Piazza in 1998 ) , and the first player to hit grand slams for different teams in the same April . Overall , in Pittsburgh he hit .235 with 10 home runs and 46 RBIs in 336 at @-@ bats , splitting time with Gaby Sanchez at first .

For the season , on defense he had the best Range Factor / 9 Innings of all major league first basemen , at 10 @.@ 59 . With the bases loaded , he tied for second in the National League in grand slams ( 2 ) , and tied for fourth in RBIs ( 17 ) . As a pinch hitter , he tied for second in the NL in home runs ( 3 ) and RBIs ( 12 ) .

Davis was designated for assignment by the Pirates on November 20 , 2014 .

= = = Oakland Athletics = = =

On November 23 , the Pirates traded Davis to the Oakland Athletics in exchange for bonus slots for use in signing international free agents .

On April 21 , 2015 , Davis pitched a perfect eighth inning in a blowout against the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim , retiring all 3 batters he faced , all on ground balls , using only 9 pitches . Davis in high school was 23 ? 0 with a 1 @.@ 85 ERA and was the Arizona High School Pitcher of the Year , and in college he had a 2 @.@ 25 ERA as a pitcher . Against the Angels he threw his fastball as high as 88 miles per hour , threw a slider in the high 70s , and threw a cutter . It was the first time the A ? s had a position player pitch since Frank Menechino in 2000 .

On August 21 , 2015 it was announced Davis would undergo surgery to repair a torn hip labrum , ending his season .

= = = Texas Rangers = = =

On February 15 , 2016 , Davis signed a minor league contract with the Texas Rangers . Hampered by injuries throughout spring training , Davis was assigned to the Triple @-@ A Round Rock Express to begin the season . On June 12 , Davis was released from his contract in order to pursue a major league opportunity elsewhere . In 39 games with the Express , Davis hit .268 / .350 / .437 with 4 HR , 25 RBI , and 37 strikeouts .

= = = New York Yankees = = =

On June 12 , 2016 , Davis agreed to a major league contract with the New York Yankees . The Yankees depth at first base was very thin , with four first baseman on the disabled list , and middle infielder Rob Refsnyder manning the position at the major league level at the time of his signing . He was designated for assignment by the Yankees on June 25 . Two days later , he was outrighted from the 40 @-@ man roster to the Scranton / Wilkes @-@ Barre RailRiders of the Triple @-@ A International League .

= = Awards = =