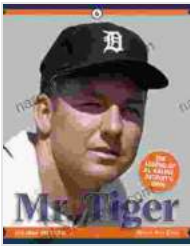


# The Legend of Al Kaline: Detroit's Own



Al Kaline was one of the most beloved and iconic figures in baseball history. From his humble beginnings in Baltimore to his Hall of Fame career with the Detroit Tigers, Kaline's story is one of perseverance, determination, and triumph.



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Kaline was born in Baltimore, Maryland, on December 19, 1934. He was the son of a Polish immigrant and a stay-at-home mother. Kaline's family was poor, and he often had to wear hand-me-downs. But Kaline had a passion for baseball, and he would spend hours playing in the streets with his friends.

Kaline's talent was evident from an early age. He was a gifted athlete, and he excelled at both baseball and basketball. In 1950, Kaline was signed by the Detroit Tigers as a free agent. He was just 16 years old at the time.

Kaline made his Major League debut with the Tigers in 1953. He quickly became a star, and he was named the American League Rookie of the Year. Kaline was a versatile player who could play both the outfield and the infield. He was also a dangerous hitter, and he led the American League in batting average twice.

Kaline played for the Tigers for 22 seasons. He was a member of the team's 1968 World Series championship team. Kaline was also a 13-time All-Star, and he was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1980.

Kaline was more than just a great baseball player. He was also a great role model. He was known for his humility, his work ethic, and his love of the game. Kaline was a true gentleman, and he was respected by everyone who knew him.

Al Kaline died on April 6, 2020, at the age of 85. He is survived by his wife, Louise, and his two children, Michelle and Mark.

## **Legacy**

Al Kaline's legacy is one of greatness. He was one of the best baseball players of his generation, and he was a true icon in Detroit. Kaline's number, 6, has been retired by the Tigers, and he is a member of the team's Hall of Fame. Kaline's legacy will live on for generations to come.

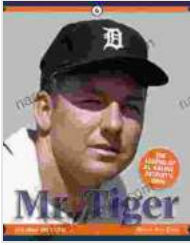
In addition to his on-field accomplishments, Kaline was also a respected broadcaster and author. He worked for the Tigers' television network for many years, and he wrote several books about baseball.

Kaline was a true ambassador for the game of baseball. He was a role model for young players, and he helped to promote the game throughout the world. Kaline will be remembered as one of the greatest players in baseball history.

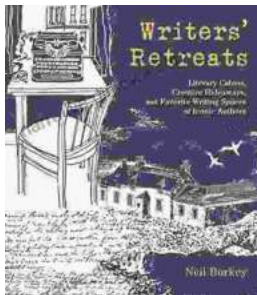
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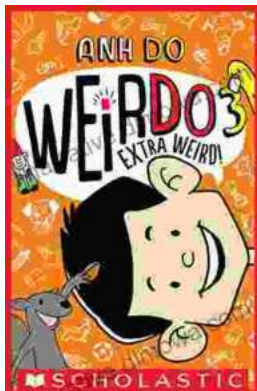


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