

1966

Statistics

State Tournament All-State Team

Bill Lynch, Pitcher; Mike Smith, 2B

Players	G	AB	H	1B	2B	3B	HR	R	SB	RBI	AVG	SP	BB
Childers, Ellis	15	27	6	5	1	0	0	7	2	0	.222	.259	2
Conley, Joe	8	4	2	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	.500	1.250	0
Detjen, David	13	11	3	2	1	0	0	2	1	1	.273	.364	0
Eckhart, Bob	8	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	.250	.250	0
Gerrard, Steve	23	53	11	9	0	2	0	14	2	4	.208	.233	0
Hemlepp, Steve	10	13	3	2	0	1	0	3	0	4	.231	.335	0
Hilton, Steve	3	5	2	2	0	0	0	4	0	0	.400	.400	0
Ison, Ken	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.000	1.000	0
Lentz, Don	25	73	24	15	6	0	3	18	10	12	.329	.534	0
Lynch, Bill	23	57	22	15	4	2	1	19	2	14	.386	.579	0
Lynch, Bob	19	52	17	15	2	0	0	11	3	9	.327	.365	0
Miranda, Richard	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0
Russell, Tom	7	3	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	.333	.333	0
Sieweke, John	11	27	9	7	2	0	0	7	1	2	.333	.407	0
Smith, Mike	25	68	17	15	1	1	0	22	6	5	.250	.294	0
Stevens, Dow	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0
Thomas, John	24	70	26	15	2	4	5	26	8	18	.371	.729	1
Workman, Bill	25	71	22	20	1	1	0	23	8	9	.310	.352	0
Workman, Wayne	25	77	32	23	4	5	0	21	2	17	.416	.597	0
Wright, Tony	23	49	10	7	1	2	0	10	1	3	.204	.306	0
N/A	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTALS	25	669	209	155	26	19	9	190	47	98	.312	.448	60
OPPONENTS	25	---	91	75	12	3	1	50	10	31	.142*	.185*	66

*Based on 15 of 25 games

Player	IP	K	BB	ER	R	H	G	GS	CG	S	GF	SHO	W	L	NH	1H
Ison, Ken	4	7	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Lynch, Bill	66	150	30	3	13	17	12	10	8	1	2	3	11	0	0	5
Lynch, Bob	40	66	13	7	14	29	7	5	4	1	2	1	5	0	0	0
Sieweke, John	46	47	13	14	22	37	10	9	6	0	1	2	8	0	0	2
Workman, Bill	11	21	9	1	1	7	3	1	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	0
Team	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	0	3
Totals	168	291	66	25	50	91	25	25	19	4	6	8	25	0	0	10
Opponents	158	67	60	—	190	209	25	—	—	—	—	0	0	25	0	0

Player	ERA	RA	SOA	BBA	HA
Ison, Ken	0.00	0.00	12.25	1.75	1.75
Lynch, Bill	0.31	1.36	15.74	3.15	1.78
Lynch, Bob	1.23	2.45	11.55	2.28	5.08
Sieweke, John	2.12	3.33	7.11	1.97	5.59
Workman, Bill	0.64	0.64	13.36	5.73	4.45
Totals	1.04	2.08	12.13	2.75	3.79
Opponents	—	8.42	3.21	3.02	9.26

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1966 Ashland — Won 25 Lost 0

Coach: Zeke Meyers | Assistant Coach: Joe Eckhart

Date	Opponent	PF	PA	Winner/Loser (K)
4/4/66	Cer.-Kenova, WV (A)	8	0	Bill Lynch (10)
4/5/66	Greenup (H)	8	0	John Sieweke (5)
4/15/66	Greenup (H)	9	1	Bill Lynch (10)
4/19/66	Barboursville, WV (H)	17	11	Bob Lynch (10) John Thomas (2 HR)
4/21/66	Wurtland (A)	6	1	Bill Workman (12)
4/22/66	Ironton, Ohio (H)	11	0	Bill Lynch (11)
4/26/66	Boyd County (H)	15	0	John Sieweke (4) Don Lentz (HR)
5/3/66	Cer.-Kenova, WV (H)	3	2	Bill Lynch (20) John Thomas (HR)
5/5/66	Catlettsburg (H)	16	0	Bob Lynch (11)
5/6/66	Louisa (A)	7	0	John Sieweke (6)
5/10/66	Catlettsburg (District at Ashland)	10	0	Bill Lynch (12) Don Lentz (HR)
5/12/66	Louisa (District at Ashland)	7	3	John Sieweke (3)
5/16/66	Fairview (District at Ashland)	7	4	Bill Lynch (14)
5/17/66	Louisa (H)	12	3	Bob Lynch (17)
5/17/66	Louisa (H)	10	1	John Sieweke (11)
5/19/66	Ironton, Ohio (A)	5	3	Bill Lynch (16)
5/23/66	Ironton, Ohio (H)	4	3	Bill Lynch (16)
5/24/66	Ironton, Ohio (H)	2	1	Bob Lynch (12)
5/24/66	Ironton, Ohio (H)	6	3	John Sieweke (8)
5/26/66	Morgan Co. (Region at Morehead)	5	0	Bill Lynch (15) Don Lentz (HR)
5/27/66	Paintsville (Region at Morehead)	7	4	John Sieweke (5) Bill Lynch, John Thomas (HR)
5/28/66	Prestonsburg (Region at Morehead)	7	6	John Sieweke (1)
6/8/66	Middlesboro (State)	3	1	Bill Lynch (18)
6/9/66	Bowling Green (State)	3	2	Bill Lynch (11)
6/9/66	Shelby Count (State)	2	1	Bob Lynch (7)

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Billy Lynch, 1st Base

Benny Spears, Outfielder

Players	AB	H	1B	2B	3B	HR	R	RBI	SB	AVG*	SP*	BB	E
Detjen, David	4	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	.250	.250	0	0
Ferguson, Tom	41	18	14	3	0	1	11	13	0	.410	.564	1	2
Gerrard, Steve	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	.250	.250	0	0
Hilton, Steve	43	15	11	3	1	0	23	12	1	.317	.415	4	6
Jackson, Tim	11	2	2	0	0	0	3	1	1	.182	.182	1	2
Lentz, Don	8	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	.250	.250	0	0
Lynch, Bill	43	30	22	4	3	0	17	25	0	.649	.919	1	3
McGuire, Jack	38	15	13	0	0	2	9	17	1	.343	.517	1	0
Sieweke, John	9	3	3	0	0	0	3	2	0	.333	.333	0	1
Smith, Mike	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0	0
Spears, Benny	37	10	5	2	3	0	11	11	4	.206	.441	2	1
Stanley, Bob	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	.500	.500	0	0
Stevens, Larry	18	6	4	0	1	1	7	5	1	.294	.588	1	1
Thomas, John	32	14	11	1	2	0	16	4	3	.419	.581	0	0
Ward, Jim	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1.000	1.000	0	0
Ward, Paul	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0	1
Williams, Randy	28	11	9	1	1	0	11	8	3	.320	.440	2	0
Workman, Bill	45	17	9	6	1	1	15	17	2	.333	.595	0	2
Workman, Wayne	43	19	13	3	2	1	17	18	1	.400	.650	1	2
N/A	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	4	-	-	-	34	12
TOTALS	409	166	122	23	15	6	156	134	18	.364	.542	48	21
Opponents	307	45	41	3	0	1	15	5	2	.124	.144	49	40

*Based on 14 of 18 games

Player	IP	K	BB	ER	R	H	G	GS	CG	S	GF	SHO	W	L	NH	1H
Lynch, Bill	53	97	28	-	6	9	9	8	5	1	2	2	8	1	1	1
Sieweke, John	23	30	7	-	4	17	4	4	4	0	0	2	4	0	0	1
Stevens, Larry	43	64	14	-	5	19	9	6	5	3	3	5	5	0	0	0
N/A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Team	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	119	191	49	-	15	45	18	18	14	4	5	11	17	1	1	2
Opponents	112	59	48	-	156	166	18	18	11	0	12	0	1	17	0	0

Player	ERA	RA	SOA	BBA	HA
Lynch, Bill	-	0.79	12.81	3.70	1.19
Sieweke, John	-	1.22	9.13	2.13	5.17
Stevens, Larry	-	0.49	10.42	2.28	3.09
Totals	-	0.88	11.24	2.88	2.65
Opponents	-	9.75	3.69	3.00	10.38

Statistics

YEAR BY YEAR

1965 Ashland — Won 17 Lost 1

Coach: Joe Bud Staggs and J. D. Browne

Date	Opponent	PF	PA	Winner/Loser (K)
4/12/65	Cer.-Kenova, WV (H)	12	2	Bill Lynch (7)
4/20/65	Wurtland (H)	13	0	Larry Stevens (7)
4/21/65	Raceland (H)	9	3	John Sieweke (9)
4/24/65	Ironton, Ohio (A)	1	0	Bill Lynch (17) (No-Hitter)
4/29/65	Raceland (H)	5	0	Bill Lynch (17)
4/30/65	Fairview (H)	8	0	Lary Stevens (13) Wayne Workman (HR)
5/1/65	Catlettsburg (H)	16	0	John Sieweke (7) Ferguson & B. Workman (HR)
5/3/65	Ironton, Ohio (H)	8	2	Bill Lynch (11)
5/4/65	Wurtland (A)	11	0	Larry Stevens (9) Larry Stevens (HR)
5/6/65	Catlettsburg (A)	17	0	John Sieweke (8) Jack McGuire (HR)
5/10/65	Catlettsburg (District at Ashland)	9	1	John Sieweke (6)
5/11/65	Louisa (District at Ashland)	14	0	Larry Stevens (9)
5/13/65	Boyd County (District at Ashland)	4	1	Bill Lynch (11) Jack McGuire (HR)
5/20/65	Huntington Vinson, WV (H)	12	0	Bill Lynch (NA)
5/28/65	Raceland (Region at Morehead)	4	1	Bill Lynch (12)
5/29/65	Paintsville (Region at Morehead)	6	0	Larry Stevens (9)
6/9/65	Heath (State at UK)	3	0	Bill Lynch (14)
6/10/65	Bowling Green (State at UK)	4	5	Bill Lynch (8)

Note: The stats are from the book *Tomcat Dynasty* written by Mark Maynard in 2016. Maynard is a former sports editor for the *Daily Independent* in Ashland, Ky.

1966 State Tournament

Pitched complete game 3-1 quarterfinal win against Middlesboro..struck out 18..allowed one hit..

Pitched 4 innings of relief against Bowling Green in 3-2 semi-final win..0 runs..0 hits..11 strikeouts..

That's 29 strikeouts..one earned run..one hit in 11 innings in the state tournament.

Note: His brother Bobby would pitch a complete game win against Shelby County in the championship completing Ashland's 25-0 season.

Billy Lynch's career record was 27-2; 19-1 in his junior and senior years when the Tomcats would go 42-1. In three seasons, he struck out more than two batters for every inning he pitched and allowed only 9 earned runs.

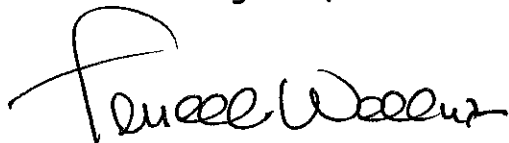
He hit .649 as a junior with a .919 slugging percentage, but hitting numbers are missing for four games. As a senior, he hit .386 with a .579 SP.

The Associated Press selected him as the 1966 High School Player of the Year.

He was the 32nd pick in the 1966 MLB draft.

And he is a man of the absolute highest quality.

Best Regards,



Ferrell Wellman

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Versailles, Ky. 40383**

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Oct. 21, 2016

Dawahare's/KHSAA Hall of Fame
ATTN: Nominations
2280 Executive Drive
Lexington, KY 40505

Dear Hall of Fame Nomination Committee Members:

I submitted the appropriate form and supporting letter in late summer nominating Billy Lynch for the Dawahare's/KHSAA Hall of Fame.

I recently came across the attached story. It is a preview of the 1966 state baseball tournament printed in the Lexington Herald.

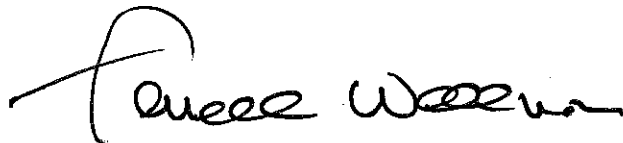
It focuses on Billy Lynch's complete domination as a pitcher for Paul Blazer High School. I would like to add it to the material I've already submitted on Mr. Lynch's behalf.

And, I would add, Mr. Lynch did not disappoint in the tournament. He pitched 11 innings in two games earning two wins. In those 11 innings, he allowed one run, one hit and struck out 28.

Thank you for allowing me to add this clip to my submission.

Best Regards,

Ferrell Wellman

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ferrell Wellman". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.

1005 Pinetree Road
Versailles, KY 40383

October 27, 2016

Nomination committee,

It is my absolute honor to recommend two baseball-playing brothers from the 1960s in Ashland, Kentucky, when the Ashland Tomcat baseball team was the state's most dominant team.

Pitching brothers Billy and Bobby Lynch were the biggest reason why the Tomcat were able to go 107-11 during a five-year span from 1965-1969 that included three consecutive state titles from 1966 to 1968, a runner-up finish in 1969 and a final four spot in 1965.

The three consecutive titles has only been matched one time when Pleasure Ridge Park equaled the feat from 1994-96.

The Lynch brothers are household names in Ashland not just because of their great athletic ability and competitive spirit but because both were and still are high character individuals.

Billy played for the Tomcats from 1964-1966, including the first of the three state championship teams, before being selected by the Cleveland Indians as a "Bonus Baby." The left-handed pitcher had remarkable career statistics that included a 27-2 overall record.

During his senior season he was 11-0 with five one-hitters, an 0.31 earned run average and 150 strikeouts. He gave up only 17 hits all season and struck out an average of 15 batters per game. He had eight complete games in 10 starts and allowed only three runs the entire season.

Billy Lynch's 1966 senior season alone may well be one of the greatest in Kentucky high school baseball history. By the way, he also batted .386 and led the team in several offensive categories. As a junior, he was even more lethal at the plate hitting .649 and had one string of 14 consecutive at-bats with hits.

His brother, Bobby, who was two years younger, also carved out quite a career for the Tomcats with an identical 27-2 record as Billy. He was 5-0 in state

tournament games as part of all three state championship teams for the Tomcats. Even as a cool sophomore, the 16-year-old pitched in the finals against Shelby County for a 2-1 victory.

The victory in the championship game capped off a perfect 25-0 season, one of the few in Kentucky high school history.

Bobby Lynch started in the outfield when he didn't pitch and batted a robust .327 his sophomore year. His only losses on the pitching mound were 1-0 decisions. Bobby was 6-0 as a sophomore, 10-2 as a junior and 11-0 as a senior (just like big brother).

In six appearances over three years in the state tournament his stat line reads: 30 innings pitched, 11 hits allowed, zero earned runs (two total), 42 strikeouts and four walks. He was 5-0 with a 0.00 ERA. I ask you sincerely, who can top that?

As a senior, Bobby Lynch allowed only four earned runs and 16 hits in 65 1/3 innings and walked only 14. His ERA was 0.42. He had two no-hitters, including a perfect game, and a one-hitter.

The accomplishments of Billy and Bobby Lynch on the high school baseball fields of Kentucky are practically unequaled. They deserve to be in your prestigious Hall of Fame and it's my opinion that they deserve to go in together.

Sincerely,



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