



Wilf Paiement

Wilf was an original power forward in the NHL. He was the 2nd overall draft choice in 1974 by the Kansas City Scouts. His offense skills were readily apparent as he scored 41 goals and 40 assists for the Colorado Rockies, which the Scouts became, in 1976-77. Wilf averaged almost 30 goals per season for the Scouts/Rockies during his 5 and a half seasons with the franchise.

In 1979-80, the Toronto Maple Leafs traded popular future Hall of Famer Lanny McDonald to Colorado in exchange for Wilf. In his first full season for the Leafs, Wilf bagged 40 goals to go with 97 points to get off to a great start. Late the following season, the Leafs shipped Wilf off to the Quebec Nordiques where he had some great offensive seasons. Paiement then finished off his career with brief stops with the New York Rangers, Buffalo Sabres and Pittsburgh Penguins.

Wilf was talent combined with toughness. He scored 356 career goals and 814 points to go with 1,757 penalty minutes. He scored 20+ goals in 12 of his 14 seasons and surpassed 100 penalty minutes also in 12 seasons.

Wilf was not the only one of the 16 Paiement children to make the NHL. Older brother Rosaire (Wilf was the youngest of the 16 kids) played 190 NHL and 455 WHA games in true tough Paiement fashion.