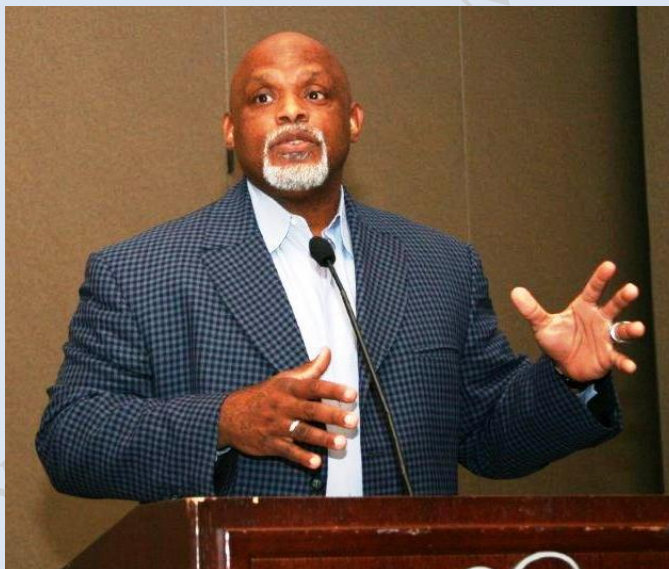




Cecil Fielder

Cecil is one of the greatest sluggers of his era. He led the American League in RBI's for 3 consecutive seasons from 1990 to 1992 totaling 389 over those seasons. He also led the AL in home runs in 1990 with 51 and in 1991 with 44. Cecil made his MLB debut in 1985 with the Toronto Blue and played in a part-time role in Canada for four seasons until 1989. He then headed to Japan to play for the Hanshin Tigers where he showed his power stroke by hitting 38 home runs in a regular role and catching the attention of the Detroit Tigers.

Upon his return to North America, Cecil lit it up by surpassing the 50-home run plateau in 1990, the first time that number was surpassed since 1977. In 6+ seasons in Detroit, Cecil swatted 245 home runs and an astonishing 758 RBI. He twice won the Silver Slugger Award (1990 and 1991) and was a 3-time All-Star (1990, 1991 and 1993). He also finished second to Rickey Henderson in MVP voting in 1990 and second to Cal Ripken Jr. in 1991. No player in the Majors hit more home runs between 1990 and 1995 than Cecil.



At the trade deadline in 1996, Fielder was traded to the Yankees and his acquisition was integral to the Yankees World Series victory that year. He played in the Big Apple in 1997 and then finished his career by playing for the Anaheim Angels and Cleveland Indians in 1998.

Cecil was one of the great power hitters of all time. He is the only player ever to hit a ball completely out of Milwaukee County Stadium and is one of only four players to hit a ball over the leftfield roof at Tiger Stadium.

Today's baseball fans will know Cecil as the father of slugger Prince Fielder. It is obvious where Prince got his power from and Cecil and Prince are the only Father & Son duo in history to both exceed 50 home runs in a single season.

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