Red Sox Broadcaster & Former Player, Jerry Remy Has Lost His Battle With Cancer

Diagnosed with lung cancer back in 2008, Remy still managed to continue in his role as long time Sox color commentator with only brief absences for treatment. He will be missed by an entire generation that grew up watching him play on the field or call games for over 30 years.

An all-star second baseman originally drafted by the California Angels in 1971, Remy made his major league debut in 1975. He was traded to his hometown Boston Red Sox in 1977. Remy's best season was in 1978, when he was selected for his only All Star team. Over the next several seasons, he was hampered by a series of injuries which limited his playing time to less than half of a season each of the next three years, though he continued to bat very well when he was healthy. Remy played two more full seasons in 1982 and 1983, though his injury problems returned in 1984, and he officially retired from the sport in 1985.

After retiring from baseball, Remy became a regular media personality, serving as a color commentator for NESN's Red Sox broadcasts since 1988, only taking occasional time off for health issues. He also owned a number of restaurants and wrote a number of books on baseball.

Remy was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, on November 8, 1952, and grew up in nearby Somerset. He attended Somerset High School and Roger Williams University in Bristol, Rhode Island.



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STATEMENT FROM THE MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL PLAYERS ASSOCIATION

Jerry Remy grew up in Massachusetts rooting for the Red Sox and lived his dream as a player and beloved broadcaster with the team. He forged a personal connection with Boston fans and inspired many with his fight against cancer. The Players Association joins Jerry's family, friends and fans in mourning his loss.