



TRANSITIONING THE LEGACY

THANK YOU 1990-99 SUN DEVIL BASEBALL PLAYERS, COACHES & STAFF

**"BUT IT'S NOT THE NUMBERS. KELLY MUST BE SEEN, NOT READ."
-MARK WHICKER, ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER**

1990-99 ACCOMPLISHMENTS, ACCOLADES & NOTABLE PLAYERS

506 consecutive game scoring streak began in 1995
398 wins
86 MLB Draft picks
29 First Team All-Pac-10 honors
28 All-Americans
10 1st Round Picks
6 NCAA Tournament appearances
4 Academic All-Americans
4 Pac-10 Players of the Year (Mike Kelly, Paul LoDuca, Jacob Cruz, Willie Bloomquist)
3 trips to OMAHA
3 National Players of the Year (Mike Kelly (2), Paul LoDuca)
3 Team USA Members
2 Pac-10 Pitchers of the Year (Marc Barcelo, Noah Peery)
National Runner-up in '98
A Pac-10 record 586 K's in '98
Ernie Stewart's "Go-Devils-Go"

SUN DEVIL BASEBALL WALL OF FAME (17)

Name	Years Played	Jersey Number	Date Honored
Bobby Winkles	1959-71	#1	Feb. 25, 1972
Oddibe McDowell	1983-84	#0	1989
Reggie Jackson	1966	#44	Jan. 13, 1990
Barry Bonds	1983-85	#24	March 19, 1993
Jim Brock	1972-94	#33	Jan. 21, 1995
Bob Horner	1976-78	#5	Feb. 10, 1996
Sal Bando	1964-65	#6	Feb. 23, 1996
Floyd Bannister	1974-76	#19	Jan. 18, 1997
Rick Monday	1965	#27	Jan. 25, 1997
Larry Gura	1967-69	#14	Jan. 18, 1998
Alan Bannister	1970-72	#7	Jan. 9, 1999
Eddie Bane	1971-73	#21	Feb. 16, 2000
Hubie Brooks	1977-78	#7	March 3, 2000
Paul Lo Duca	1993	#16	Jan. 28, 2005
Alvin Davis	1979-82	#9	May 14, 2006
Kevin Romine	1981-82	#12	May 14, 2006
Mike Kelly	1989-91	#24	March 8, 2014



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THE LEGEND OF MIKE KELLY

THE CATCH – May 12, 1990, against Arizona in Tucson - ASU led Arizona, 4-2, in the sixth inning when UA's Jack Johnson hit a two-out fly ball to center field with two runners on base. Kelly raced to the wall, timed his jump perfectly and reached over the fence to rob the Wildcats of a potential game-winning three-run homer.

"That catch, for critical timing, may be the most damaging one I can ever remember against us." – Arizona Head Coach Jerry Kindall

"Reaction to the most marvelous moment of Kelly's fabled two-year career ASU career was predictable but not overstated. Such a play defies overstatement." – Jeff Metcalfe, longtime Valley sports journalist

THE BATTING PRACTICE BALL - March 6, 1990 – Kelly hit a home run in batting practice and the ball was found near the Salt River with the letter "A" stamped across it from the word "EASTON," which was printed on Kelly's bat

500-FOOT HR - March 28, 1989 – Kelly's 500-foot home run vs. Washington State in the Riverside Invitational in Riverside, Calif.

THE CATCH II – Feb. 12, 1990, against Texas in Austin – Kelly, playing shallow and shaded toward left field, chased down a line drive from Longhorn Lance Jones near the warning track in right-center to escape a bases-loaded jam.

"It was absolutely the greatest catch I've seen in the last 10 years. When the ball left the bat, I thought 'three-run triple.' I still can't believe Kelly ran it down." – Ron Franklin, ESPN

"The catch at Arizona was more dramatic, more shocking. But for pure athleticism and talent, I'm not sure I'll ever see a catch as amazing as the one at Texas." – ASU Head Coach Jim Brock

GREEN MONSTER MISSILE - April 23, 1989 – Kelly's double against Cal that left a dent inches from the top of the Green Monster at Packard. The ball was said to still be rising as it hit the Green Monster.

UCLA WALK-OFF - Feb. 25, 1989 – A two-out, three-run homer in the bottom of the 12th inning that gave ASU a 10-9 walk-off win vs. UCLA

A TRIO OF HR'S - March 5 and April 27, 1990 – His three home runs in a suspended game against Stanford, including two in Palo Alto and one in Tempe. Kelly became the 10th player ever to clear the Green Monster at Packard Stadium with his third home run against the Cardinal.

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT KELLY

"'Gentle Giant' Mike Kelly did it all...first round draftee, Golden Spikes Winner, Baseball America College Player of the Year. But ASU fans remember most 'The Catch' where he reached over the wall at Sancet Field (in Tucson) with two runners on base to save a victory for the Sun Devils in '91! Coach Jim Brock greatly respected Mike's talent, work ethic and great contribution to the program." – Pat Brock, wife of the late Jim Brock, Sun Devil Baseball's winningest head coach.

"Of the many talented players who have worn the baseball uniforms of Arizona State down thru the years, few had a skill-set as complete as Mike Kelly. He clearly was one of the best all-around players in Sun Devil history, representing the program with class and dignity on and off the field." - Tim Healey, Voice of the Sun Devils

"Mike Kelly was the most talented – and most exciting – college baseball player I ever saw. His combination of prodigious power and speed was unmatched during his era. He made the game look so easy. But what I remember most was his incredible range in center field, and more importantly, what a good person he was – humble, polite and personable, a superb representative of Arizona State." - Scott Dupree, Associate Sports Information Director from 1989-93