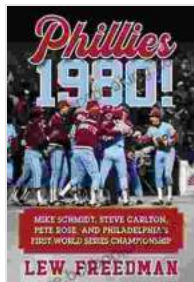


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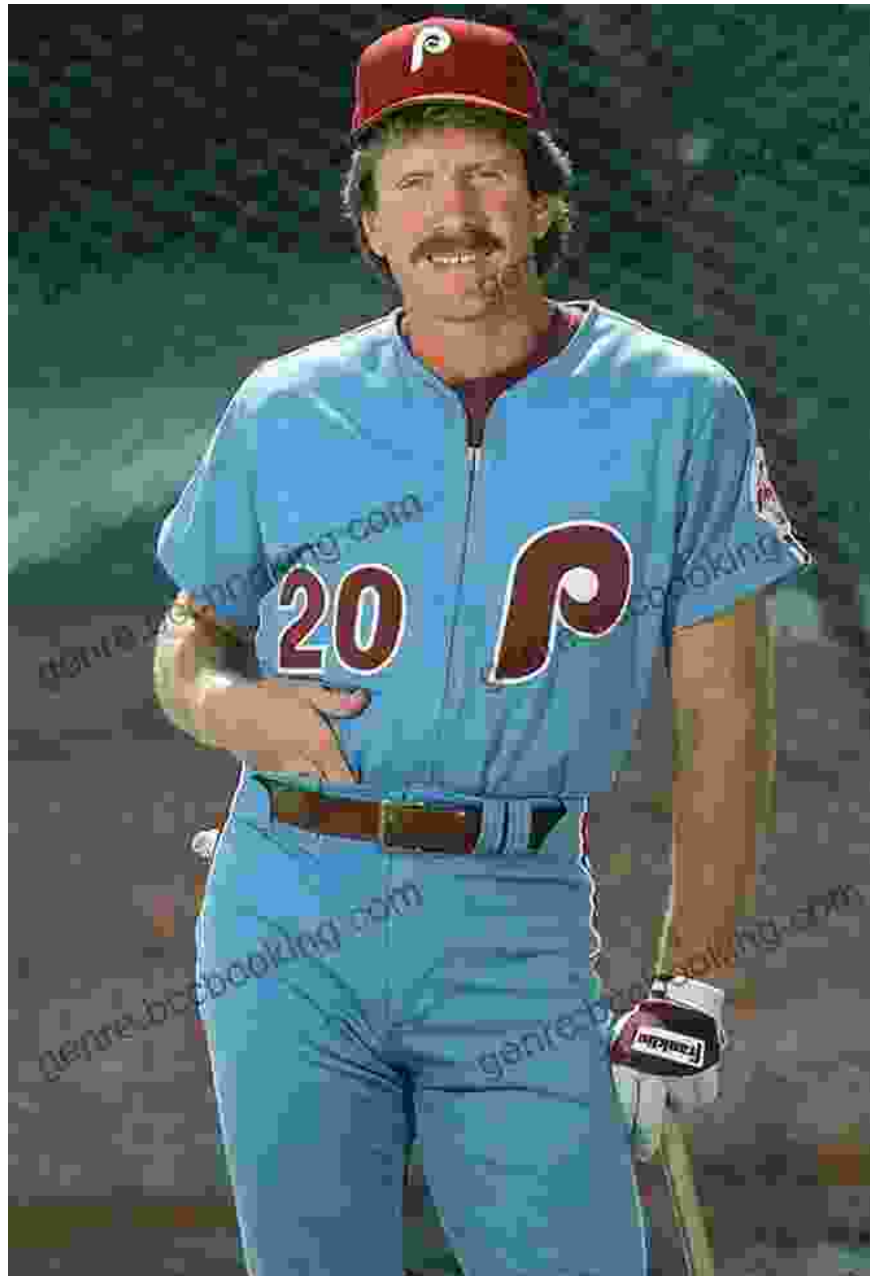


The Philadelphia Phillies won their first World Series championship in 1980, and they did it with a trio of stars: Mike Schmidt, Steve Carlton, and Pete Rose. Schmidt was the reigning National League Most Valuable Player, Carlton was a four-time Cy Young Award winner, and Rose was a future Hall of Famer with a reputation as one of the best hitters in baseball history.

The Phillies had been a perennial also-ran for much of their history, but they finally broke through in 1980. They won the National League East by five games over the Montreal Expos, then defeated the Houston Astros in the National League Championship Series. In the World Series, they faced the Kansas City Royals, who had won the American League West by 14 games.

The Phillies won the World Series in six games. Schmidt hit two home runs in Game 1, Carlton pitched a complete game in Game 2, and Rose had three hits in Game 6 to clinch the championship. It was a magical moment for the Phillies and their fans, and it marked the beginning of a new era for the franchise.

## **Mike Schmidt**



Mike Schmidt was one of the most feared hitters in baseball during the 1970s and 1980s. He was a three-time National League batting champion and a five-time All-Star. In 1980, he led the National League in home runs (48), runs batted in (121), and slugging percentage (.615). He was also named the National League Most Valuable Player.

Schmidt was a key member of the Phillies' championship team in 1980. He hit two home runs in Game 1 of the World Series, and he drove in two runs in Game 6 to clinch the championship.

## **Steve Carlton**



Steve Carlton was a four-time Cy Young Award winner.

Steve Carlton was one of the best pitchers in baseball during the 1970s and 1980s. He was a four-time Cy Young Award winner and a five-time All-Star. In 1980, he led the National League in wins (25), strikeouts (286), and earned run average (2.34).

Carlton was a key member of the Phillies' championship team in 1980. He pitched a complete game in Game 2 of the World Series, and he allowed just one run in seven innings.

## **Pete Rose**

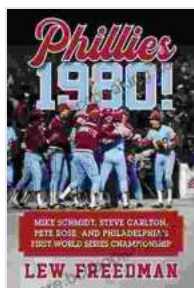


Pete Rose is one of the most famous baseball players of all time. He is a career .303 hitter with 4,256 hits, and he is the all-time leader in games played (3,562).

Rose was not a key member of the Phillies' championship team in 1980. He was traded to the Montreal Expos in June of that year, and he finished

the season with a .282 batting average. However, he did make a significant contribution to the team's success. He was a mentor to Schmidt and Carlton, and he helped to create a winning atmosphere in the clubhouse.

The Philadelphia Phillies' first World Series championship in 1980 was a team effort. Mike Schmidt, Steve Carlton, and Pete Rose were the stars of the team, but they were supported by a cast of talented players. The Phillies' victory was a victory for the city of Philadelphia, and it marked the beginning of a new era for the franchise.



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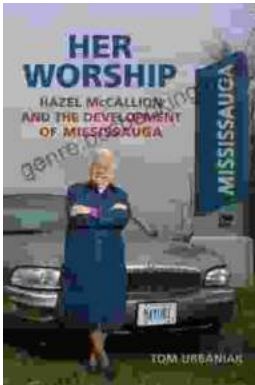
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