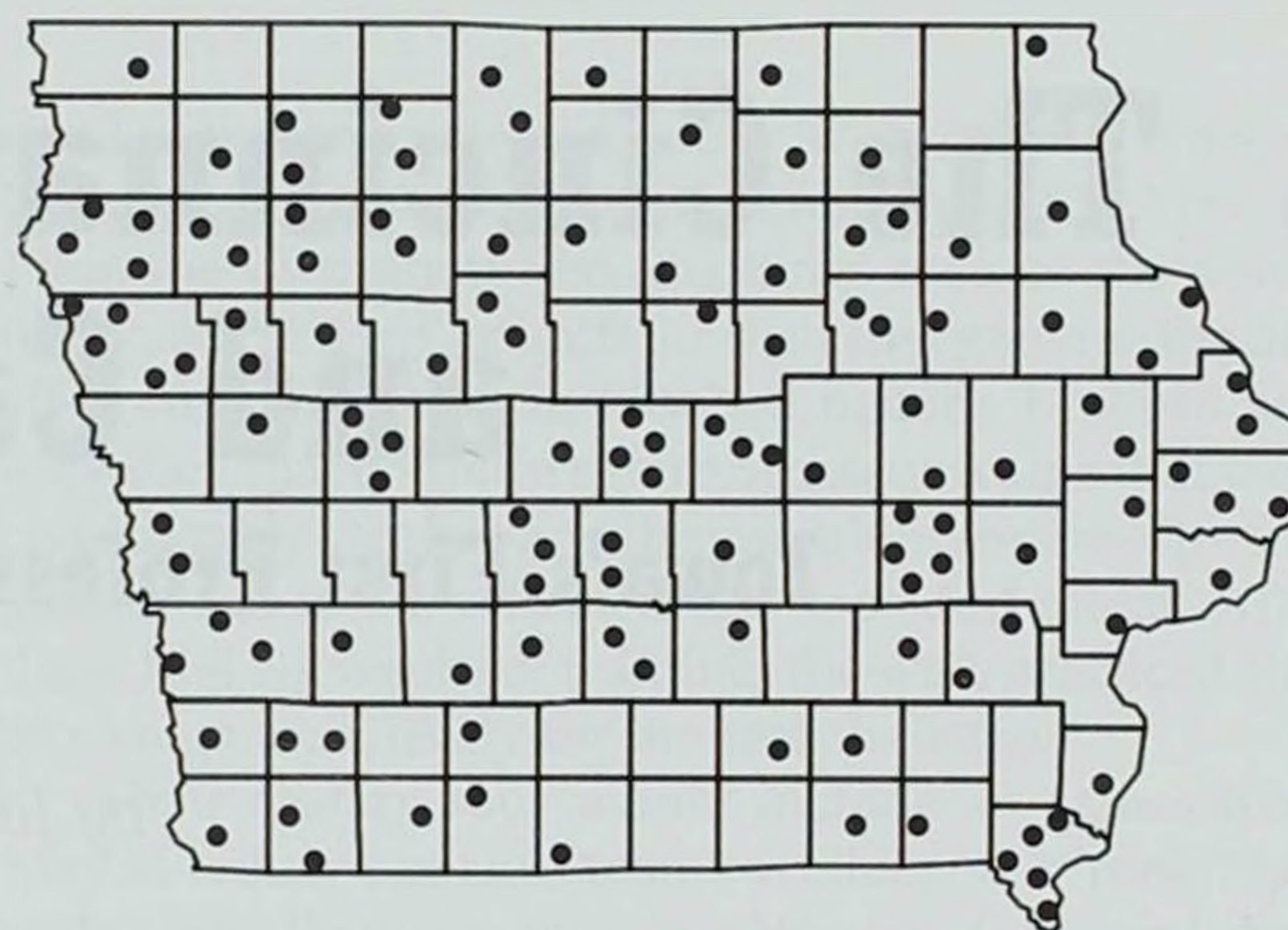


Hometowns of Iowa's Major Leaguers

MORE THAN 200 IOWA MEN have attained the ultimate goal of playing in the major leagues. Six are honored in baseball's Hall of Fame; others played only a few games, a few innings, or even less—as the 19th-century expression put it, “they stopped in for a cup of coffee.” Iowa's major leaguers have come from three-quarters of our counties, from small towns like Pisgah and Cascade, and from larger cities. Some of their hometowns no longer exist (such as Clay's Grove and Knowlton); some have fewer than 200 citizens. Bancroft, Lost Nation, Neola, and Norway—all with populations below 1,000—each produced two or more major leaguers.

Iowa baseball historian Jerry Clark describes it well: “The lowans who played major league baseball represent a broad cross-section. . . . Boys from both rural and urban Iowa honed their talents on hometown diamonds and worked up to the major league fields. For some reason, a good many of these Iowa boys found their niche on the pitching mound. Some were stars; others were journeymen ballplayers filling in where they



could. For some, baseball was a short interlude in their lives; others made a lifelong career of playing, coaching, umpiring, or scouting. Many came back to Iowa and took up jobs as farmers, laborers, businessmen and teachers. Some became more famous in other fields of endeavor. . . . All had their day in the sun.” Their hometowns appear below (although the actual birthplace may have been a different Iowa town).
—by John Liepa

Ackley: Arthur Reinhart	Coalville: James Grant, Clifford Knox	Eugene Ford, James Long, William Metzger, Michael Schwabe, Kevin Wickander	Manchester: Walter McCredie	Pocahontas: Lawrence Biittner
Algona: William Salisbury, David Skaugstad, George Stueland	Conway: Lyndon Welday	Foster: Roy Wilson	Marengo: Paul Hinrichs	Popejoy: Charles Frisbee
Ames: Stephen Dreyer, Robert Harris, Billy Sunday	Coon Rapids: Jay King Towne	George: Robert Locker	Marshalltown: Adrian Anson, Maurice Kent, Samuel B. Sager	Preston: Robert Oldis
Ankeny: Todd Sears	Council Bluffs: Stanley Bahnsen, Jonathan Lieber	Glidden: Albert Epperly	Mason City: Donald Eddy, Timothy Laudner, Ronald Miller, Frank Secory	Red Oak: Richard Kenworthy
Atlantic: Rick Heiserman	Creston: Harold Smith	Graettinger: Guilford Paulsen	Maxwell: Clyde Southwick	Remsen: Joseph Lotz, John Niggeling
Aurelia: Wesley Siglin	Croton: Otto Saltzgaver	Grundy Center: Robert Hasbrook	Middle Amana: William Zuber	Riverside: Vance McIlree
Bancroft: Joseph Hatten, Denis Menke	Danbury: Raymond Haley	Hamburg: Carl Stimson	Milton: Wayne McLeland	Sac City: Paul Zahniser
Bellevue: Marvin Felderman	Davenport: Eugene Baker, Michael Busch, Michael Butcher, Josh D. Kroeger,	Harper: Philip Slattery	Monticello: James Crabb	Salix: Donald Black
Blanchard: Don Ragan	Adolph Lorenzen, Thomas Lundstedt, Scott Pose, Thomas Walsh, Mitch Wylie	Holstein: Foster Edwards, Wilbur Wehde	Montrose: Calvin McVey	Schleswig: Edward Pipgras
Bloomfield: John Rawlings	Des Moines: Todd Belitz, Casey Blake, Ed Courtney, Thomas Drees, Jerry Hairston, James W. Holmes, Joseph Magrane, Mike Mahoney, Richard Manville, Hermas McFar- land, Benjamin Sampson, Kevin Tapani	Humboldt: John Thompson	Muscataine: Albert Gould	Shenandoah: Milo Marshall
Boone: Charles Brown, Gerald McNertney	De Witt: Danny Moeller	Ida Grove: Harry Eells, George Pipgras	Neola: Jerome Downs, James Morgan	Sioux City: David J. Ban- croft, David Adler, Richard Green, Robert Knoop, Robert Mattick, Donald Wengert
Breda: Verle Tiefenthaler	Donnellson: Alfred Lawson	Indianola: Casey Blake	New Hampton: Duane Josephson	Smithland: George Clark
Brighton: Louis Nordyke	Dorchester: Nathaniel Kellogg	Iowa City: Craig Colbert, Leo Meyer	Newton: Nate Teut	Storm Lake: George Decker
Burlington: James Dunegan, Jack Hamilton, Steve Macko, Rodney Nichols, James Panther, Matt Perisho	Dubuque: Charles Buelow, Frederick Glade, Joseph Hoerner, Edward Keas, William McWilliams, Kevin Rhomberg	Jesup: William Wagner	North English: Mace Brown	Story City: Henry Severeid
Carroll: Kenneth Henderson	Elkader: John Dittmer	Keokuk: Jeremiah Harrington, Rollin Lutz	Norway: Michael Boddicker, Bruce Kimm, Harold Trosky	Struble: Arthur Jahn
Cascade: Urban Faber	Everly: Luvern Fear	Kingsley: Harry Gaspar	Osage: Robert Brush, Jesse Duryea	Sumner: Les Tiedje
Cedar Falls: Matthew Wagner	Farnhamville: Frederick Stanley	Knowlton: Clarence Yaryan	Ottumwa: Robert Lee, Henry Ostdiek, Jacob Weimer	Toledo: Leonard Cole
Cedar Rapids: Calvin Eldred, Benjamin Ford, Nate Frese, William Hoffer, Wes Obermueller, Richard Rozek, Shawn Sedlacek, Cy Slapnicka, Gregory Thayer, John Wathan, Earl Whitehill	Forest City: Luther Owens Barnes	Lacona: David G. Baker	Oakland: Leo Bohlen	Van Meter: Bob Feller
Charles City: Vivian Lindaman	Fort Dodge: Louis Fiene,	Lamoni: Edward Watt	Oelwein: Richard Woodson	Victor: Jack Collum
Cherokee: Stephen Melter		Laurens: Adrian Lynch	Orient: Clarence Vance	Villisca: Lynn King
Clarion: Lee Handley		Lawton: Arnold Anderson	Osage: Robert Brush, Jesse Duryea	Vinton: Edmund Miller, Ralph Miller
Clay's Grove: Samuel Carroll		Le Grand: John Coombs	Parkersburg: Roy Luebbe	Waterloo: Jack Bruner, Richard Folkers, Richard Weik
Clemons: Verne James Clemons		Le Mars: Walter Marbet	Parnell: Edward Gharrity	Waukee: Harold Manders
Clinton: Thomas Hilgendorf		Linn Grove: Richard Grapenthin	Paullina: Arthur Ewold	Waverly: Andrew Hinch
		Logan: Harold McKain	Pella: Kory DeHaan	Wesley: George Fisher
		Lost Nation: James McAndrew, George Stone	Perry: George Tomer	Winterset: Fred Clarke
		Lowden: Frederich Schmidt	Peterson: Roscoe Holm	Wyoming: Emil Levsen
		Mallard: Frank Mulroney	Pisgah: Loren Rolland Babe	Unknown Iowa hometown: George Crosby, Charlie Hodnett