

Harry Benton (aka Wilson)

Harry Francis Benton

BIRTH 8 APR 1889 • Oskaloosa, Iowa, USA

DEATH 12 MAR 1959

Harry Benton

Position: Pitcher

Bats: Unknown • **Throws:** Right

Full Name: Harry F. Benton

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Teams Played For

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Year	Age	Tm	Lg	Lev	Aff	Stint	From	To
1911	--	Fond du Lac Mudhens	Wisconsin-Illinois League	C				
1912	--	Madison Senators	Wisconsin-Illinois League	C				
1914	--	Madison Senators	Wisconsin-Illinois League	C				
1914	--	Superior Red Sox	Northern League	C				
1915	--	Superior Red Sox	Northern League	C				
1915	--	Winnipeg Maroons	Northern League	C				
1916	--	Milwaukee Brewers	American Association	AA				
1916	--	Winnipeg Maroons	Northern League	C				
1920	--	Winnipeg Maroons	Western Canada League	B				
1921	--	Winnipeg Maroons	Western Canada League	B				

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PASSED BALL BEATS 'FEDS.' 2-1; WILSON LOSES TOUGH COMBAT.

Local Recruit Allows Three Hits, but
Error by Battery Mate with Two Men
On Lets In Both Runs.

An elusive curve which escaped Catcher Conroy in the first inning gave the St. Louis Federals the odd game of the series here yesterday, 2 to 1. Manager Keeley of the Feds sent Recruit Wilson to the slab and the youngster held the Terriers to three hits, only one of which came in the opening round.

Wilson allowed three passes, one of which started the Terriers on their winning attack. Southpaw King, for St. Louis, yielded seven safeties, but manager to scatter the bingles where they did the least possible damage.

Robinson, first up for the visitors, worked the youngster for a walk. Scott's double put runners on second and third, and both counted when Conroy missed a curve ball. The Keeleys also scored their lone tally at the start. Scott's error gave Dundon a tie and the former White Sox infielder went to second when Bergwald sacrificed. Farrell fanned, but Kading's single drove in the run.

Chicago	R	H	P	A	E	St. Louis	R	H	P	A	E
Dundon, 2b.	1	0	8	0	0	Robinson, ss.	1	1	5	0	0
Bergwald, 3b.	0	0	1	0	0	Scott, 2b.	1	1	3	1	0
Farrell, ss.	0	1	2	1	0	Gaston, cf.	0	1	2	0	0
Kading, 1b.	0	2	13	1	0	Jones, lf.	0	0	8	0	0
Mackert, cf.	0	1	1	0	0	Tobin, rf.	0	0	1	0	0
Pettigrew, lf.	0	1	1	1	0	Myers, 1b.	0	0	12	3	0
Dennis, rf.	0	1	2	0	0	Murphy, 3b.	0	0	0	1	0
Conroy, c.	0	0	6	1	0	Roydsdale, c.	0	0	4	0	0
Wilson, p.	0	0	2	2	0	King, p.	0	0	3	7	0
Totals	1	7	27	15	0	Totals	2	8	27	19	1

Chicago.....1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0-1
St. Louis.....2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0-2
Two base hit—Scott. Sacrifice hit—Bergwald.
Stolen base—Robinson. Struck out—By Wilson
7; by King. 4. Bases on balls—Off Wilson, 3; off
King, 1. Passed ball—Conroy. Time—1:45. Um-
pires—Van Syckle and Flaherty.

HARRY BENTON

Harry Benton, another new addition to the twirling staff, can be properly called a Davenport. His father and mother reside in this city at Fifth and Main streets.

Benton first broke in under Dan O'Leary here in 1911. He was farmed to Monmouth, which was then managed by Tom Stark. Later he was returned to Davenport and sent to Fond du Lac in the W-I league. When Wausau bought the Fond du Lac franchise, Benton was sent to Madison where he pitched in 1912.

In 1913, Benton pitched semi-pro ball around Milwaukee and helped his team cop the pennant in the Lake Shore league. Manager Bronkie of Toledo grabbed him near the close of the A. A. season. That fall he pitched one game for the Chicago Feds against St. Louis and let the latter team down with three blows. In 1914, Benton was with Madison and Superior. A dislocated collar bone brought him his release at Madison, but he later hooked up with Superior and pitched six straight shutout games at the end of

Allowed only three hits... sounds like
"Wilson"

HARRY BENTON.
Harry Benton, the famous spit-ball pitcher of the Leaders in the Milwaukee City League last year, has joined the Federal League according to reports from Chicago. He will work with a Chicago team.

Ended up not joining the team due to injury?

DAVENPORT BOY SIGNS

Harry Benton of This City Goes to
Grand Rapids

Harry Benton, formerly a Davenport amateur who is well known in this city, has signed with Green Bay in the Wisconsin-Illinois league as a twirler. Benton is only a youngster, but he is considered a most promising pitcher by those who have seen him work. While in Davenport he twirled for a number of the local amateur teams, with a good record.

This spring Benton has been with the "Atlas Flours," one of the top-notch aggregations in the Milwaukee City association. That he was making good in that company is evident from the following, which appeared recently in a Milwaukee paper:

"Harry Benton of the Flours was there with bells on. He struck out fourteen batters and held the opposing team to six scattered hits. In the seventh inning Benton pitched nine balls and struck out three men."

His record at Milwaukee won him a place in professional circles, and his friends here expect him to make good.

been dropped by one run.

Benton's advancement will be a joyful bit of news to his many Davenport friends. Benton was first discovered by Ike Sears, circulation manager for The Times, who recommended him to Boss O'Leary. Benton was tried out at that time and sent to Monmouth. He was with Superior last season and made such a good showing that O'Leary again picked him up for another trial.

Benton is a son of Mr and Mrs W. E. Benton of 206 West Fifth street, Davenport. He spends his winters in the city. Last winter, he was a member of the Maccabees indoor baseball and bowling teams, and won first prize in the Y. M. C. A. bowling league.

Harry Benton

Harry F. Benton, 69, a resident of the Davenport Hotel died at 1:30 this morning in Mercy Hospital, after an illness of a year-and-a-half.

Mr. Benton was born in Oskaloosa, Iowa. He had been employed at the Rock Island Arsenal, retiring in 1946. He had been in Denver for the past nine months, returning to Davenport two weeks ago.

After retiring from the Rock Island Arsenal he had been employed by the City of Davenport meter department.

Mr. Benton had been active in baseball and bowling. He had been with the Chicago Cubs, Pittsburgh Pirates and Cincinnati Reds.

He was a member of Zarephath Consistory, Kaaba Temple, Trinity Lodge No. 208, AF & AM, and the Davenport Elks.

Harry Benton

Name	Position	Bats	Throws
Benton, Harry F.	P		
Birth Date	1888	Married	
Address	Fifth Ave. & Main St., Davenport, Ia.	Height	Weight
	5'10 1/2"		180
Teams Played With:			
Davenport 1911-Rel. to Monmouth 1911-Rel. to Davenport 1911-Rel. to Fon du lac 1911- Wausau 1912-Rel. 5/12-Madison 1912-Rel. 3/13-Milwaukee semipro 1913-pitches one game for St. Louis Feds against Chicago Feds 1913-at close of season-Madison 4/14-Rel. 6/14-Superior Wis. 6/14-Rel. 8/14-Davenport 3/15-Rel. 5/15-Superior 5/15 team disbanded 7/15-Winnipeg 7/15-Rel. to St Paul 8/15-Res. for 16-Rel. by Federal Lg. in (over)			

Harry F. Benton

BIRTH	8 Apr 1889
DEATH	12 Mar 1959 (aged 69)
BURIAL	Forest Cemetery Oskaloosa, Mahaska County, Iowa, USA
PLOT	Section 37 Lot 35 W 1/2 Sp 4
MEMORIAL ID	176925079 · View Source



HARRY BENTON

* Dan O'Leary has a promising pitcher in this young fellow, who graduates to professional baseball after playing for three years in the Milwaukee City

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Division of Vital Statistics

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
STATE OF IOWA

59-06746

Birth No.

State File No. 114-

1 PLACE OF DEATH a COUNTY Scott		2 USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived) If institution residence before admission a STATE Colorado b COUNTY Denver	
b CITY, TOWN OR LOCATION Davenport		c CITY, TOWN OR LOCATION Wheatridge	
d IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		e IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
f LENGTH OF STAY IN 1b 10 days		g IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
c NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION Mercy Hospital		d STREET ADDRESS 4020 Cody St.	
3 NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print) First Harry Middle Francis Last Benton		4 DATE OF DEATH Month March Day 12 Year 1959	
5 SEX Male	6 COLOR OR RACE White	7 MARRIED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEVER MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/> WIDOWED <input type="checkbox"/> DIVORCED <input type="checkbox"/>	8 DATE OF BIRTH 4/8/1889
9 AGE (In years last birthday) 69		10 IF UNDER 1 YEAR: IF UNDER 24 HRS: Month March Day 12 Hour 12 Min 00	
10a USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) Retired Meter Collector City of Dav.		10b KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY City of Dav.	
11 BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Oskaloosa, Iowa		12 CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? U.S.A.	
13 FATHER'S NAME William E. Benton		14 MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME Ella Fleming	
15 WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) (If yes, give war or dates of service) No		16 SOCIAL SECURITY NO 342-20-2735	
17 INFORMANT'S SIGNATURE Mrs Alma Benton		Address	
18 CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).) PART I DEATH WAS CAUSED BY IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) Coronary Occlusion		INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH	
Conditions, if any, which gave rise to above cause (a), stating the underlying cause last DUE TO (b) _____ DUE TO (c) _____			
PART II OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I (a) Hypertension with hypertensive heart disease; diabetes; Pulmonary tuberculosis; bronchopneumonia; Comed diabetic		19 WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
20a ACCIDENT <input type="checkbox"/> SUICIDE <input type="checkbox"/> HOMICIDE <input type="checkbox"/>		20b DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of item 18.)	
20c TIME OF INJURY Hour _____ Month, Day, Year _____			
20d INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK <input type="checkbox"/> NOT WHILE AT WORK <input type="checkbox"/>		20e PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office bldg., etc.)	
20f CITY, TOWN OR LOCATION		COUNTY STATE	
21 I attended the deceased from March 7, 1959 to March 12, 1959 and last saw him alive on March 12, 1959 Death occurred at 1:30 A.M. on the date stated above; and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated			
22a SIGNATURE (Degree or title) D. C. E. Block		22b ADDRESS 718 First Nat'l Bldg.	
22c DATE SIGNED 3/13/59			
23a Burial, Cremation, Removal (Specify)	23b Date	23c Name of Cemetery or Crematory	23d Location (City, town or county) (State)
Burial	3/14/1959	Forest Cemetery	Oskaloosa, Iowa
24 FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE Henry C. Rungel		25 REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE James S. Theban	
25 Date Rec'd by Local Registrar Mar 23 1959		File Number 1216	

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Cause

Accident

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