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## **Bobby Rousseau**



Bobby was the third of the Rousseau family's 12 children to play in the NHL. Brothers Guy and Roland had previously played in 4 and 2 games, respectively, both with the Montreal Canadiens. But Bobby was considered one of the best prospects in Canada as a teenager and was also the property of the Habs.

After a few games played in 1960-61, Bobby was a rookie in 1961-62 and won the Calder Trophy as the league's rookie of the year with 45 points. Bobby played 10 years in Montreal winning 4 Stanley Cups along the way. He was known around the NHL for his blazing speed and terrific shot. He was also adept at drawing opposition penalties. In 1970, Bobby was traded to the Minnesota North Stars for Claude Larose, a move that disappointed Hab fans who loved Bobby. After one season with the North Stars, he was dealt to the New York Rangers for Bob Nevin. He closed out his career on Broadway with 4 seasons for the Blueshirts.

In addition to his 4 Cup rings and Calder Trophy, Bobby was a Second Team All Star in 1966 and played in 3 all-star games (1965, 1967 & 1969).



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