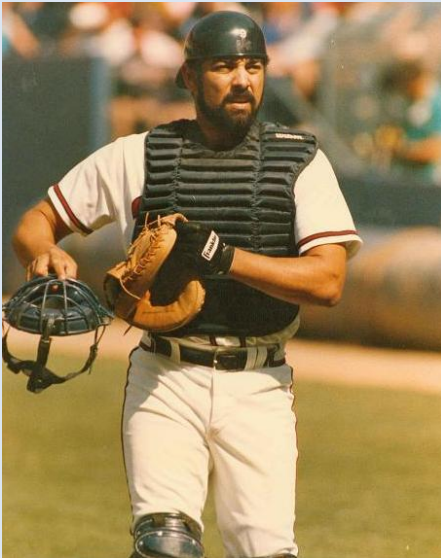




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### *Ozzie Virgil Jr.*



Ozzie Virgil Jr. was a catcher in 11 MLB seasons beginning in 1980 with the Philadelphia Phillies. He caught for the Phillies during their 1983 World Championship season. Ozzie played in Philly until the end of the 1985 season when he was traded to the Atlanta Braves. He played with the Braves for 3 seasons until the end of the 1988 season when he became a free agent and signed with the Toronto Blue Jays. Ozzie toiled in Canada until 1990 and then retired. Overall, Ozzie batted .243 in 739 career games with 98 homers and 307 RBI.

Ozzie's best season came in Atlanta in 1987 when he clouted 27 home runs to go with 72 RBI. He was an All-Star that season as well as 1985. He appeared in the 1983 World Series with the Phillies in a losing effort.

In 2005, the Phillies named him its recipient of the Phillies Latino Legends Award as a tribute to Hispanic players in the team's history. He was also inducted into the Reading Phillies Hall of Fame in 1994.

Ozzie is a second generation Major Leaguer. His father, Ozzie Virgil Sr., played in the Majors with the Detroit Tigers from 1956 to 1969.



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