



Guy Carbonneau

Guy Carbonneau is a winner and a leader. He was when he played in the NHL and he continues to be today.

Carbonneau has his name engraved on the Stanley Cup three times – twice with the Montreal Canadiens (1985-86 and 1992-93) and once with the Dallas Stars (1998-1999). He also won the Selke Award as the NHL's best defensive forward three times in 1987-88, 1988-89 and 1991-92. And of course, he was elected to the Hockey Hall of Fame in 2019 in recognition of his outstanding career.

Guy came into the NHL with the Montreal Canadiens after being a high-scoring junior player with the Chicoutimi Sagueneens. He changed his game from having an offensive bent to being a defensive specialist. He played two games with the Habs in the 1980-81 season but most of his first two pro seasons were spent with the Nova Scotia Voyageurs, Montreal's AHL farm team, being schooled in becoming a shutdown centreman.



He came up for good with the big club in 1982-83 and scored 44 points, proving that he hadn't lost his offensive abilities even though he was now a checker. He received votes for the Selke in 8 consecutive seasons and fans took to chanting "Guy, Guy" when he was on the ice. In 1989-90 he was named captain of the legendary club, an honour not taken lightly in the hockey-crazed city.

After 12 seasons with the Habs, Carbonneau was dealt to the St. Louis Blues where he played the 1994-95 season before being dealt to the Dallas Stars where he played his final 5 seasons.

Over his 18-season career, Guy played 1318 games scoring 260 and 403 assists for 663 points, an amazing total for a player whose job was to play head to head against the other teams' best players and line and to keep them off the scoresheet. He scored 15+ goals in 10 consecutive seasons in Montreal.

After hanging up his blades, Guy coached the Canadiens for 3 seasons and was a close runner-up for the Adams Award given to the best NHL coach. He then spent a stint as an analyst for Hockey Night in Canada before moving on to Réseau des Sports. In recognition of Carbonneau's talents, the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League created the Guy Carbonneau Trophy given to the league's best defensive forward.

If your organization is looking for a speaker on leadership, teamwork or sacrifice, Guy is your man.