

January 7, 1940

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Born on January 7, 1940, Notre Dame graduate Jim Hannan is originally signed as an amateur free agent by the Boston Red Sox in April of 1961.

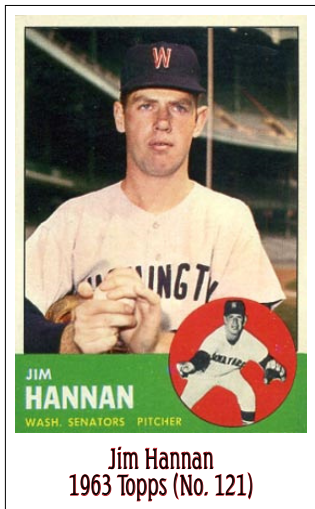
Hannan debuts later that spring with the Olean Red Sox of the New York-Penn (D) League. The Jersey City, New Jersey, native goes 17-7 with 11 complete games and five shutouts and is named as the league Rookie of the Year and the Righthander of the Year. (Batavia's 19-year-old Steve Blass is 13-6 with a 3.32 ERA enroute to earning the league's *southpaw* slot).

Hannan is drafted by the expansion Washington Senators in the 1961 first year draft.

Hannan will get his first taste of the majors on April 17, 1962, pitching a scoreless inning against the Detroit Tigers. His best season in the majors will be 1968 when he is 10-6 with a 3.01 ERA and four complete games.

Acquired by the Detroit Tigers on October 9, 1970, in one of the most lopsided and unpopular trades in Senator history, Hannan is 1-0 in 1971, with the Bengals when he is traded again, this time to the Milwaukee Brewers on May 11, for John Gelnar and Jose Herrera. In his last major league season, Hannan is 2-1 with a 4.57 ERA in 28 games for Detroit and Milwaukee.

In 10 major leagues campaigns, Hannan is 41-48 with a 3.88 ERA, nine complete games, including four shutouts.



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