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# YANKEES LEGEND OF BASEBALL YOGI BERRA DEAD AT 90

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Born Lawrence Peter Berra in 1925 in St. Louis, Missouri, to Italian immigrant parents, Yogi earned his nickname from an early teammate who said he looked a Hindu yogi whenever he sat with arms and legs crossed waiting to bat or while looking sad after a losing game.

Yogi Berra, a three-time MVP who was the backbone of a record 10 world-champion Yankees teams in the 1940, ´50s and ´60s and who became one of the most beloved figures in franchise history despite a lengthy estrangement from the team, died Tuesday 22 night, according to the Yogi Berra Museum. He was 90.

Retired as a player in 1963, he managed the Yankees to the World Series in 1964 and the Mets to their “Ya Gotta Believe“ World Series appearance nine years later. After being fired as Mets manager in 1975, Berra coached with the Yankees from 1976-1983. He managed the team from 1984-85, until he was let go in a contentious move by owner George Steinbrenner. The pair did not speak again for almost 15 years.

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