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2010 Legendary Landmark Ernie Banks

Ernie Banks is known throughout the sports world simply as “Mr. Cub.” His career with the Chicago Cubs baseball team spanned 19 years and included 512 home runs, 1,636 runs batted in, 1,305 runs scored, two Most Valuable Player awards and 11 All-Star games. Following his retirement as an active player in 1971, Mr. Banks was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame. His uniform, number 14, was the first to be retired by the Chicago Cubs organization. Mr. Banks’s charitable efforts include his own Live Above and Beyond Foundation, and his enthusiasm for baseball, Wrigley Field and the people of Chicago is legendary and can best be symbolized by his phrase: “What a great day for baseball. Let’s play two.” He is the first sports figure to be honored as a “Legendary Landmark.”