

Memorable Moments with Dad

It was 1982, Candlestick Park, San Francisco Giants vs. the St. Louis Cardinals. My dad, me, and my grandfather went to the game. For most of the game it was one sided. St Louis at the time was a formidable team and eventually went on to win the World Series that year.

Anyway, Lonnie Smith set the record for the most steals in a game (5) in this particular game. But what made the game and the memory for me was yet to occur.

The Giants were down 4-2 in the bottom of the 9th. They got two runners on and my favorite player at the time, Jack Clark, was due up. The Cards summoned Bruce Sutter to face Clark. At the time Sutter was THE premiere closer in baseball. So Sutter warms up, Clark steps in to the box, and on the very first pitch from Sutter Clark launches one into the left field bleachers. The only walk off homer I've ever witnessed. With my dad and grandfather.

In the grand scheme of things it didn't mean much as the Giants didn't go anywhere that season, but the fact I was with my dad made it more memorable.

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