

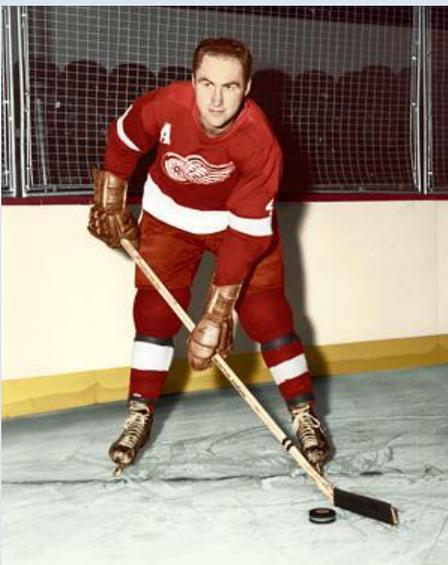
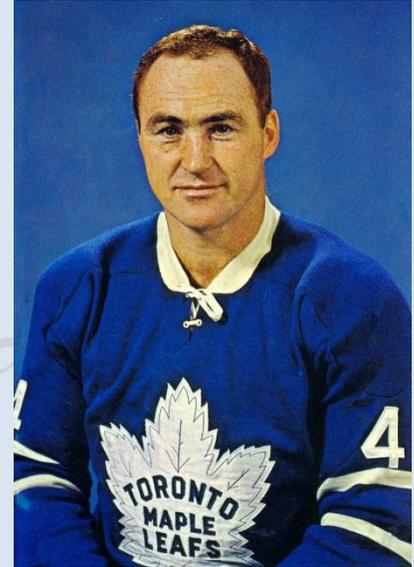


Red Kelly

Hall of Fame player, Leonard “Red” Kelly, did it all in the game of hockey. In total, Red’s team won the Stanley Cup an astonishing 8 times. He started his career with the Detroit Red Wings in 1947/48 and was a key member on defense for this great dynasty, winning the Cup 4 times in the Motor City. Near the end of the 1959/60 season, Red was dealt to the Toronto Maple Leafs where he was a driving force behind this dynasty as well, winning The Cup another 4 times in Toronto while playing centre! He was a Hall of Fame player at both very different positions.

Over his 20 NHL seasons, Kelly racked up numerous awards:

- 4-time Lady Byng Award winner as the league’s most gentlemanly player
- Inaugural winner of the James Norris Trophy as the NHL’s best defenseman
- 6-time First Team All-Star
- 2-time Second Team All-Star
- Chosen to play in 12 all-star games



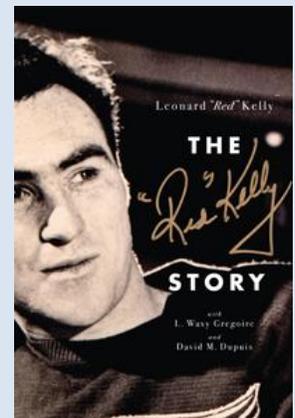
Red was elected into the Hockey Hall of Fame in 1969. The Hockey News, the bible of NHL hockey, named its TOP 100 players of the century in 2000 and Red was named as the 22nd best player ever to lace up his skates in the NHL.

But hockey wasn’t done with Red. He was the inaugural coach of the expansion Los Angeles Kings in 1967/68 and 1968/69 before moving on to turn around the Pittsburgh Penguins as their coach for the next 4 seasons. Kelly left Pittsburgh to return to Toronto as their coach for four seasons from 1973/74 to 1976/77, leading them to 4 straight quarter-final appearances.

But to think of Red Kelly as “just” a hockey man is to sell him way short. During his playing career in the early 1960’s, Red was elected to the Canadian

Parliament where he served as a Member of Parliament for 3 years, serving Canadian Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson.

In 2016, Red published his autobiography, *The Red Kelly Story*, to tell hockey fans all facets of his amazing life.



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