

HOF Dick Williams Passes Away

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Hall of Fame manager Dick Williams has died from a brain aneurysm.

He was 82-years-old. Williams, who was living in Las Vegas, NV., since 1991, won two World Series titles with the Oakland Athletics in 1972 and 1973. He led the Boston Red Sox to the American League pennant in 1967. Carl Yastrzemski won the triple crown that year. Ironically, he was also the last player to accomplish that feat. Williams also led San Diego to a National League pennant in 1984.

Williams was Major League manager from 1967-1988; he did not manage in 1970, but was hired by Charles Finley to manage the A's in 1971. Williams was 1,571-1,451 in his career, and he is the only manager to win pennants with three different teams---Oakland, Boston and San Diego. He finished up his career at the age of 59 as manager of the Seattle Mariners in 1988. He was inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, NY., in 2008. He was chosen by the Veterans Committee.