

## Blast From The Past: Pat Tabler - Mr. Clutch

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I was doing a quick internet search for any new nuggets of information I could find on 1980s Indians star, Pat Tabler. [A link from The Daily Kos appeared.](#)

According to the entry on that website, Tabler's professional baseball career ended prematurely because he never listened to batting coaches, other than his father. Therefore, he was comparable to political right-wingers who are "set-in-concrete, unshakable, absolute perfect certitude about politics, religion, any sort of human behavior, for no other reason than it's what their parents taught them."

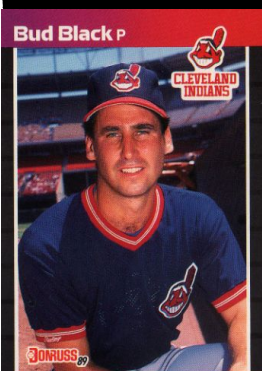
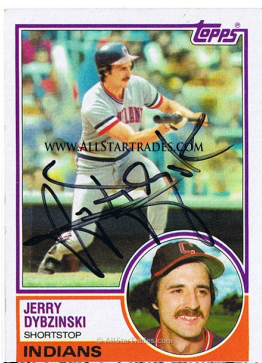
Now, I am familiar with Pat Tabler, and (especially if you are in your forties or fifties) you probably are as well. I have heard various stories about him, but never before have I caught wind of his apparently unwavering approach to hitting which obeyed his father's rigid command.

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