

This is one installment in a team effort by The Cleveland Fan, highlighting the top local sports figures by jersey number. Please weigh in with your thoughts on [the "Boards"](#) . As David Letterman would say, "For entertainment purposes only; please, no wagering"

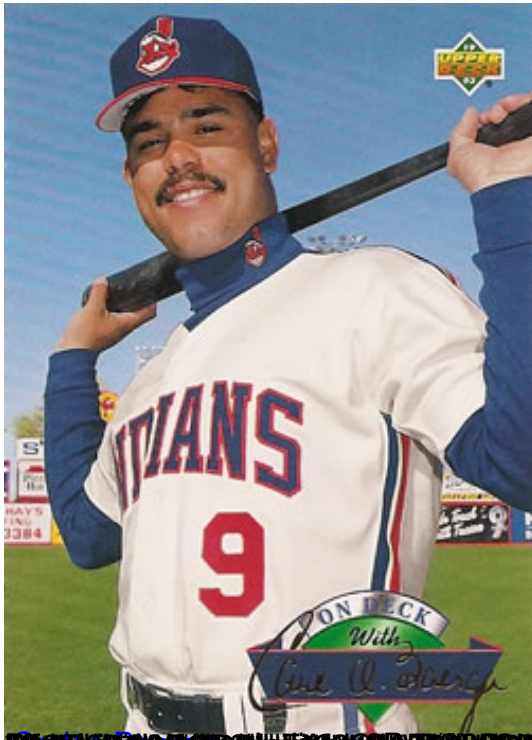


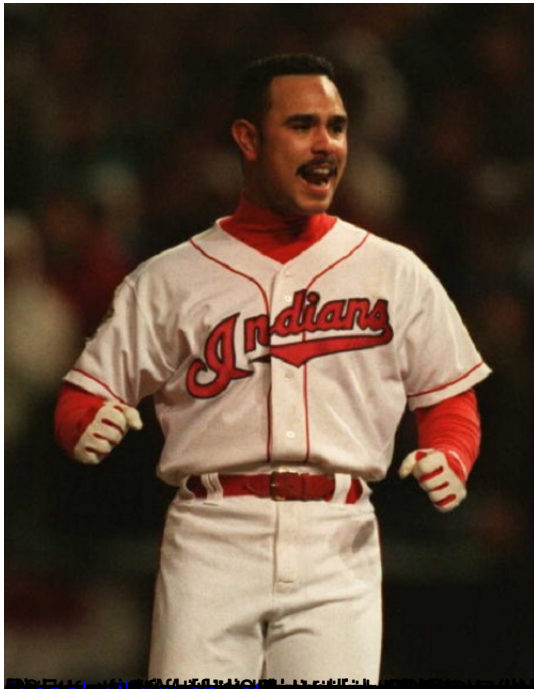
If this town has anything like “glory days” for those fans born after 1965 or so, it’s got to be that stretch in the mid-90’s when the Indians were a powerhouse, and The Jake was the place to be 81 times every summer...and a few more times in October. The last two articles in our series have featured Lofton (#7) and Belle (#8) from that team, and I fully expected to be following suit at #9 with Carlos Baerga. That is, until someone reminded me of the greatest hockey player in Cleveland history.

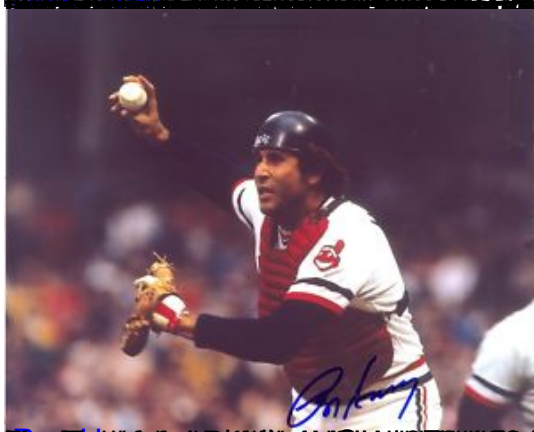
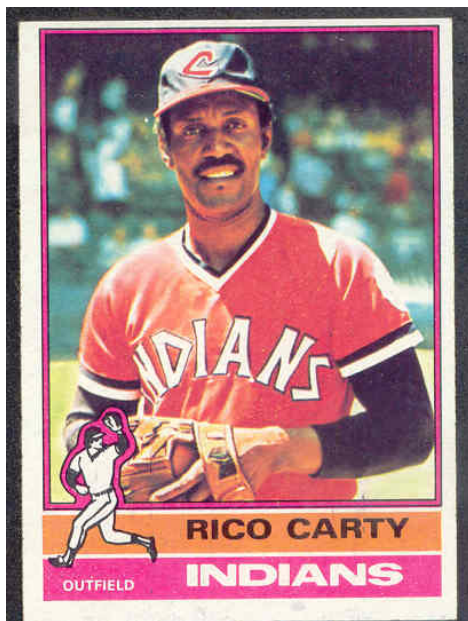
Say what? Yes, youngsters, Cleveland used to be a hockey town, and a good one....with a championship team, and a bonafide star in #9, Fred Glover. We’ll get to Baerga in a minute, as well as a couple of also-rans who wore #9, but first we need to talk about what used to happen down at E. 36th and Euclid at [The Cleveland Arena](#) . Because this series really should have a hockey player included as one of the top Cleveland sports figures, and let’s face it....this is our only shot.

Our Top #9









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