

DICK FARRELL (text on back side of 1962 draft photo)

Many National League hitters state his pitches are the fastest they have ever swung against.

That's Dick Farrell, a 215-pound righthander, one of the most outstanding relief pitchers in baseball the past few seasons. Farrell was acquired off the Los Angeles Dodgers roster in the National League player pool for \$125,000 but spent most of his major league baseball career with the Philadelphia Phillies.

Fans will long remember Dick's dazzling first year (1957) in the majors. He finished the season with an earned-run-average of 2.39 and 10 wins and only two losses. Farrell, as a sophomore, performed brilliantly in the 1958 All-Star Game, striking out four batters in the two innings he pitched.

After spending five seasons with the Phils, Farrell was traded to the Dodgers on May 4, 1961 with Joe Koppe for Charlie Smith and Don Demeter. Farrell was fourth in the league this past season in statistics kept by the Sporting News in their annual Fireman Awards for relief pitchers. Awarding one point for each win and one for each save, Farrell finished with 16 points (eight wins and eight saves) behind only Stu Miller, Jim Brosnan and Roy Face.

Farrell pitched in 55 games for the Phillies and Dodgers in 1961, working 98 innings and striking out 90 batters. He won eight and lost seven with an ERA of 5.20.

Dick was born on April 8, 1934 in Boston and now makes his home in _____, Pennsylvania. He married Mary Grace Donovan in 1955.