

TERRY LANDRUM

Terry "Tito" Landrum helped put Albuquerque on the map through his pro baseball career and experience in the 1983 World Series with Baltimore and 1985 World Series at St. Louis. Although a Highland High School standout in football, basketball and track, his baseball abilities were mostly unknown until after high school. Landrum played at Highland HS from 1969-72 including the state football championship against Artesia and again when HHS played Albuquerque High for the State basketball championship.

Landrum signed a professional baseball contract with St. Louis in 1972 after one year at Wilberton Junior College. His minor league teams included: Orangeburg, Arkansas, Tulsa, St. Petersburg, Springfield, and Louisville.

He was with St. Louis in 1982 and 1985 and then Baltimore in 1983 when they were league champions. In 1983, Landrum hit the home run in the playoffs against Chicago to clinch the American League pennant for Baltimore. He was the top hitter for St. Louis in the 1985 World Series with nine hits in 25 at bats, with two triples and a home run.

Landrum completed his baseball career in 1988. After a venture with a women's pro league and considering broadcasting, Landrum's life changed when he returned to school and entered the sports medicine program at New York University in New York City at age 39 in 1994. Landrum graduated as valedictorian in 2000. He is now a physical therapist.

Landrum came from a military family and lived many places before his family settled in Albuquerque in the 1960's. His parents continue to reside in Albuquerque.