

Negro League Owners

The following list identifies individuals who owned a Negro League team or high level black baseball team. It is important to note that in some cases the years listed may only be an approximation. Some individuals may have managed the team or been an officer for the team during the period listed, but at one time during the years listed they did actually own the team. In addition transfer of ownership of a team was not always well documented. This is especially true in the early years of black baseball.

This list is no way to be considered complete. As research continues new names will be added to the list.

Owner	Team	Year (s)
W.R. Abrahams	Atlanta Black Crackers	1927
George Abrams	X-ABC's	1912
	Abrams Giants	1912
Charlie Anderson	Los Angeles White Sox	1918
George Armstrong	Brooklyn Brown Dodgers (USL)	1945-1946
Pete Armstrong	Brooklyn Brown Dodgers (USL)	1945
Thomas Y. Baird	Kansas City Monarchs	1920-1950
Winfred Baker	Atlanta Black Crackers	1935
John "Tenny" Blount	Detroit Stars	1919-1921
Ed Bolden	Hilldale	1916-1932
	Philadelphia Stars	1933-1950
Thomas Bowser	Indianapolis ABCs	1912-1915
	Bowser's ABC's	1916
Frank Boyce	St. Paul Monarchs	1932
Henry "Hank" Bozzi	Mohawk Colored Giants	1929-1943
Glen Bradford	Alexandria Lincoln Giants	1933
Chet Brewer	Kansas City Royals	1944-1947
William "Soo" Bridgeforth	Baltimore Elite Giants	1950
	Nashville Elite Giants	1950
	Birmingham Black Barons	1952-1954
John M. Bright	Cuban Giants	1988-1909
	Famous Cuban Giants	1905-1906
Will Brown	Montgomery Grey Sox	1931-1932
Randolph "Ran" Butler	Indianapolis ABC's	1902-1911
Joe Cambria	Baltimore Black Sox	1933
Hunter Campbell	Miami Ethiopian Clowns	1936
C.M. "Mal" Carter	Chattanooga Black Lookouts	1926, 1935
Fred Caulfield	New Orleans Caulfield Ads	1920-1926
Pelayo Chacon	Chacon's All Stars	1930
John C. Claybrook	Claybrook Tigers	1935
Cuyahoga Amusement Co.	Cleveland Hornets	1927
Dr. E.S. Cobb	Pensacola Sea Gulls	1949

L.S.N. Cobb	Birmingham Black Barons	1932
Robert A. Cole	Chicago American Giants	1931-1935
John W. Connors	Brooklyn Royal Giants	1905-1914
	Atlantic City Bacharach Giants	1919-1922
Walter Cook	Cuban Giants	1886-1888
C.C. Cunningham	Black Stockings	1913
Willie Davis	Mobile Black Bears	1945-1946
	Mobile Shippers	1949
John Donaldson	Donaldson's All Stars	1932
Arthur Dove	Raleigh Tigers	1947-1963
John Drew	Darby Daisies	1929
	Hilldale	1930-1931
H.D. English	New Orleans Crescent Stars	1934
Jack Farrell	Baltimore Black Sox	1934
S. Flansburg	Mohawk Colored Giants	1914
Minnie Forbes	Detroit Stars	1954-1957
Carl "Bubber" Ford	Jacksonville Eagles	1946-1947
Jim Ford	Memphis Cardinals	1948
T.F. Fortson	Atlanta Black Crackers	1927, 1932
	Atlanta Grey Sox	1929
Andrew "Rube" Foster	Chicago American Giants	1911-1930
James Foster	Chicago Brown Bombers (USL)	1945-1946
E.A. Frazer	Birmingham Red Sox	1933-1934
	Birmingham Monarchs	1935
Dr. Noble Frisby	Greenville Delta Giants	1950
J.E. Gall	All Nations	1912
Robert Gilkerson	Gilkerson's Union Giants	1924-1931
Douglas Gordon	Durham Eagles	1945-1953
	Durham Rams	1954-1965
Charles "Joe" Green	Chicago Giants	1912-1931
Henryene P. Green	Baltimore Elite Giants	1949-1950
Vernon "Fats" Green	Baltimore Elite Giants	1946-1949
William "Gus" Greenlee	Pittsburgh Crawfords	1931-1938
	Pittsburgh Crawfords (USL)	1945-1946
Bud Hailey	Chattanooga Black Lookouts	1936
Horace G. Hall	Chicago American Giants	1933-1942
Ed Hamman	Indianapolis Clowns	1952-1975
John H. Harden	Atlanta Black Crackers	1938, 1940
	Atlanta Black Crackers	1945-1948
	Indianapolis ABCs	1939
Eddie Harris	Oakland Larks	1946
Thomas H. "Tom" Hayes	Birmingham Black Barons	1939-1951
Wilbur Hayes	Cincinnati Buckeyes	1942
	Cleveland Buckeyes	1943-1948
	Louisville Buckeyes	1949
	Cleveland Buckeyes	1950

Charlie Henry	Zulu Cannibal Giants	1934-1937
Jesse Heslip	Toledo Rays (USL)	1945
	Toledo Cubs (USL)	1946
J.T. Holland	Knoxville Giants	1931
Claude Horn	Graystone Gray Sox	1957
Owen Howell	Uptown Sanitary Shop	1922
	St. Paul Colored Gophers	1923
R.T. Jackson	Birmingham Black Barons	1928-1930
Dr. R.B. Jackson	Nashville Cubs	1947-1949
Rufus "Sonnyman" Jackson	Homestead Grays	1934-1949
Tom Jackson	Atlantic City Bacharach Giants	1916-1923
Wardell Jackson	Birmingham Black Barons	1961-1963
	Philadelphia Stars	1961-1963
Warner Jewell	Jewell's ABCs	1917
	Indianapolis ABC's	1925-1927
George "Chappie" Johnson	Chappie Johnson's All Stars	1925-1927
Abe Jones	Chicago Unions	1887-1888
James J. Keenan	New York Lincoln Giants	1919-1930
Dick Kent	St. Louis Stars	1922-1931
Dr. A.J. Kerr	Pensacola Giants	1920
Ludie Keys	Birmingham Black barons	1934
E.B. Lamar, Jr.	Cuban Giants	1895-1926
	Cuban Stars	
	Cuban X-Giants	1897-1907
Frank Leland	Chicago Union Giants	1901-1904
	Chicago Leland Giants	1905-1909
	Chicago Giants	1910-1911
Henry N. Lewis	Knoxville Grays	1945
Robert S. "Bubbles" Lewis	Memphis Red Sox	1920's
Rufus Ligon	Ligon's All Stars	1947-1950
Abel Linares	Cuban Stars	1911-1912
Benjamin Linton	Detroit Motor City Giants (USL)	1945-1946
Syd Lyner	Birmingham Black Barons	1955
Abraham "Abe" Manley	Brooklyn Eagles	1935
	Newark Eagles	1936-1946
Effa Manley	Brooklyn Eagles	1935
	Newark Eagles	1936-1948
A.D. Marcus	Alexandria Lincoln Giants	1933
C. Marine	New Orleans Crescent Stars	1922
Dr. B.B. Martin	Memphis Red Sox	1931-1950
Dr. John B. Martin	Memphis Red Sox	1933-1935
	Chicago American Giants	1936-1950
Dr. W.S. Martin	Memphis Blues	1947
	Memphis Red Caps	1950
John Mathews	Dayton Marcos	1919-1933
Will McClure	Chattanooga Choo Choo	1947

W.R. McKinnon	Askin & Marine Colored Red Sox	1923
Webster McDonald	Philadelphia Hilldales (USL)	1945
Ed "Eddie" McMahon	New York Lincoln Giants	1911-1916
Jessie "Jess" McMahon	New York Lincoln Giants	1911-1913
	New York Lincoln Stars	1914-1916
Floyd Meshad	Birmingham Black Barons	1955
Charles Mills	St. Louis Giants	1909-1921
	St. Louis Black Sox	1924
Edward "Kidd" Mitchell	Minneapolis Keystones	1901-1911
Augustin "Tinti" Molina	Cuban Stars	1920
Henry Monroe	Birmingham Black Barons	1938
C.L. Moore	Asheville Blues	1945-1947
Amos Mosley	Memphis Cardinals	1948
Buddy Nolan	Little Rock Black Travelers	1931
Claude Norris	Seattle Steelheads	1946
Jesse Owens	Portland Rosebuds	1946
Allen Page	New Orleans Black Pelicans	1935, 1947
	New Orleans Creoles	1948-1950
J. Wallace Page	Page Fence Giants	1894-1898
Sam Parke	Little Rock Black Travelers	1945
Roy Parker	San Diego Tigers	1946
Frank Perdue	Birmingham Black Barons	1919-1922
	Birmingham Black Barons	1934
Carlisle Perry	Los Angeles White Sox	1946
W.S. Peters	Chicago Unions	1890-1900
	Peter's Union Giants	1901-1923
Johnny Pierce	Miami Ethiopian Clowns	1936
Frank Polambo	New Orleans Black Eagles	1913
Syd Pollock	Miami Ethiopian Clowns	1937-1939
	Indianapolis Clowns	1946
	Havana La Palomas	1947-1948
Alejandro "Alex" Pompey	Cuban Stars (East)	1922-1929
	New York Cubans	1935-1950
Cumberland "Cum" Posey	Homestead Grays	1910-1946
	Detroit Wolves	1932
J.J. Powell	Little Rock Black Travelers	1931
Ted Rasberry	Grand Rapids Black Sox	1946-1960
	Detroit Stars	1954-1957
	Kansas City Monarchs	1956-1969
Phillip "Daddy" Reid	St. Paul Gophers	1907-1911
Jesse Richardson	Gadsden-Florida Tigers	1949
	Atlanta Brown Crackers	1950
Oscar Rico	Havana Cuban Giants	1952-1957
Hank Rigney	Toledo Rays (USL)	1945
	Toledo Cubs (USL)	1946
William Roberts Jr.	Roberts Giants	1930

Bill "Bojangles" Robinson	New York Harlem Stars	1931
	New York Black Yankees	1932-1950
Edward Robinson	Robinson's Stars	1930
Dr. Anderson Ross	Birmingham Black Barons	1956-1958
George Rossiter	Baltimore Black Sox	1922-1931
Bruce Rowell	Seattle Steelheads	1946
Joe Rush	Birmingham Black Barons	1923-1926
	Birmingham Black Barons	1939
Tommy Sampson	Birmingham Stars	1948
	Birmingham Clowns	1948
Bill Sandon	Sandon's Colored Tigers	1926
Abe Saperstein	Seattle Steelheads	1946
	Harlem Globetrotters	1947-1950
Benny Scales	Nashville Black Vols	1936
Michael Schaine	Atlanta Black Crackers	1938
H. Walter "Slick" Schlichter	Philadelphia Giants	1902-1910
John M. Schorling	Chicago American Giants	1911-1927
James "Soldier Boy" Semler	New York Black Yankees	1932-1948
John Shackelford	Cleveland Clippers	1946
Beck Shepard	Chattanooga Choo Chos	1948
Glover Shull	Twin City Gophers	1911
Dr. Sam Sheppard	St. Louis Stars	1922-1931
Dave Shoughter	Montgomery Tigers	1949
Roderick Silva	Miami Giants	1942-1957
Dick Slack	East St. Louis Giants	1916
W.E. Simpson	Cuban Giants	1886
Tobe Smith	Kansas City Giants	1904-1912
F.A. Snodgrass	Little Rock Black Travelers	1931
Charles P. Spedden	Baltimore Black Sox	1922-1931
Arthur Stillman	Twin City Colored Giants	1934
George Stillman	Twin City Colored Giants	1934
Fred Stovall	Monroe Monarchs	1932-1935
James Stringer	Louisville Cubs	1909
Nat Strong	Brooklyn Royal Giants	1919-1933
	New York Black Yankees	
	Brooklyn Bushwicks	
Col. C.W. Strothers	Harrisburg Giants	1918-1927
Tom Taggart	French Lick Plutos	1911-1913
George Tate	Cleveland Tate Stars	1918-1922
Ben Taylor	Baltimore Stars	1933
Charles Isham Taylor	Birmingham Giants	1904-1909
	Indianapolis ABC's	1914-1921
Olivia Taylor	Indianapolis ABC's	1922-1924
Frank P. Thompson	Argyle Hotel Athletics	1885
William Trimble	Chicago American Giants	1927-1931

Henry Tucker	Atlantic City Bacharach Giants	1916-1922
Joe Vaughn	Chattanooga Black Lookouts	1931
Charlie Walker, Jr.	Homestead Grays	1930-1934
Jesse "Hoss" Walker	Louisville-Nashville Giants	1950
Ed Warren	New York Colored Giants	pre WWI
Winfield Welch	Birmingham Black Barons	1959
Bill Wernecke	Mohawk Colored Giants	1913
Jake Whatley	Montgomery Dodgers	1946
	Montgomery Red Sox	1946
J. L. Wilkinson	All Nations	1912-1918
	Kansas City Monarchs	1920-1948
Arthur J. Williams	Atlanta Brown Crackers	1950
Percy Williams	Atlanta Black Crackers	1935-1936
Baron Wilkins	New York Colored Giants	Pre WWI
Tom Wilson	Nashville Standard Giants	1918-1920
	Nashville Elite Giants	1921-1934
	Cleveland Cubs	1931
	Columbus Elite Giants	1935
	Washington Elite Giants	1936-1937
	Baltimore Elite Giants	1938-1946
Ernest "Ernie" Wright	Cleveland White Sox	1941
	Cincinnati Buckeyes	1942
	Cleveland Buckeyes	1943-1948
	Louisville Buckeyes	1949
Dr. W.H. Young	Houston Eagles	1949
	New Orleans Eagles	1950