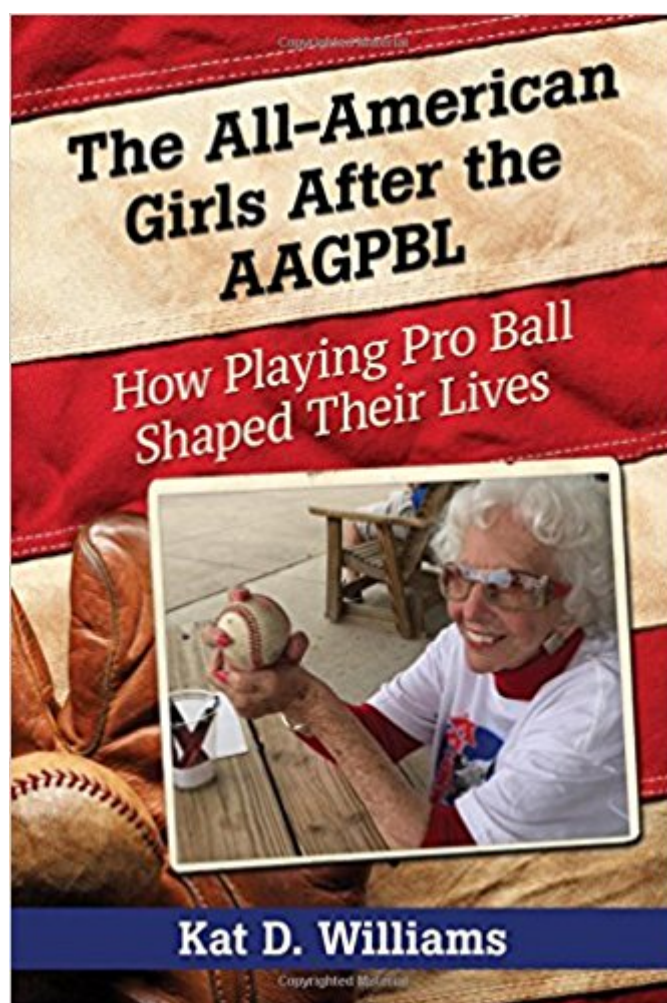


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# The All-American Girls After The AAGPBL: How Playing Pro Ball Shaped Their Lives



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The hit 1992 film *A League of their Own* made the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League famous. But the players' stories remain largely untold. The 600 women who played for the AAGPBL through the 1940s and 1950s enjoyed a rare opportunity to lead independent lives as well-paid professional athletes. Their experiences in the league led many to education and careers they never imagined. As teachers, coaches and role models, they strove to broaden the horizons of girls and young women. Many continued to be involved in athletics, supporting the efforts leading to Title IX and the women's sports revolution. Today, they are dedicated to preserving the history of women in baseball and creating opportunities for girls to play.

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Kathie D. Williams is associate professor of history at Marshall University in Huntington, West Virginia and president of the International Women's Baseball Center.

This is an awesome read. The author does an excellent job of sharing the history in a format that reads like a story.

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