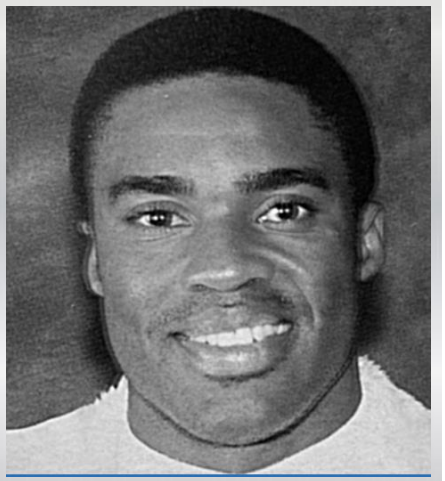
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HALL OF FAME



Augustine Logie H.B.M.

Cricket

Inducted in 1995

A scintillating fielder and capable batsman who played in the most dominant team to ever play the sport, 'Gus' Logie entertained fans with his dynamic approach to cricket. His prowess on the field was amazing, the type of skill that cannot be taught, while his batting was made up of attractive stroke-play which offered evidence of the thinking player who would later become a sought-after international coach.

He was born in Sobo, South Trinidad, and played cricket from an early age, going through the various age groups while playing for the Texaco Brighton team, a squad to which he would remain loyal throughout his career. Good scores there earned Logie a place in the South team for the North versus South classic, but he got a pair of ducks on debut. The 17-year-old was not disheartened and the following season he scored 121 runs for South and placed himself onto the national team for the 1978 season.

There were modest scores in the Shell Shield competition, but the Trinidad and Tobago selectors stuck with him and, by the 1981 season, Logie began to score bigger runs, with two fifties (against Jamaica and Guyana) before a wonderful 125 against a Barbados attack that included Malcolm Marshall, Joel Garner and Sylvester Clarke. With his diminutive build, Logie was able to cut and pull the pacemen.

The World Series triangular tournament in Australia was later that 1981 season, and with his fielding perfectly suited to the 50 over format, Logie made his debut for the West Indies at Perth. The squad's line-up was so strong that Logie played four ODIs but did not get to bat.

Back to the Caribbean and his good Shell Shield form continued into 1982. He scored 171 (his highest first-class score) against Jamaica. 1983 was even better: he scored 138 and 79 versus the Windward Islands, then 117 and 62 versus Guyana. The selectors could not ignore him, and he was into the team for the Test series against India, making his debut in Jamaica with scores of 13 and 10. Though he only scored 36 runs in four innings, the selectors again kept their faith, which Logie repaid with his performance in the Fourth Test in Barbados. The Windies needed the win to clinch the five-match series. Logie walked in at number 5 and scored his first Test century. His 130 pushed the score up to 486 and the Windies clinched another series.

In that year's World Cup he played only one match against Zimbabwe. However, he was included in the team to tour India afterwards where he scored 63 in the Second Test. Some ordinary scores meant that he did not play after the Third Test. He was recalled to the team for the Second Test against Australia at the Queen's Park Oval and scored 97, falling

three short of a 'home' hundred when he was adjudged LBW. Before the Third Test he caught influenza and had to withdraw from the team.

He was in the Windies team that toured England in that 1984 summer, scoring 141 and 122 versus Leicestershire and Nottingham, but he did not play in any of the Tests. He played in the World Series again at the end of 1984, with a memorable Man of the Match award for scoring 49 to help Windies chase Australia's 166. In the final, West Indies were 3 for 2 while chasing 212. Logie put on 88 in 103 balls; West Indies won the World Series.

Though he was being pegged as a ODI specialist, Logie played in four Tests when New Zealand toured the Caribbean in 1985. A high score of 52 in six innings was not the return he was seeking, but he still contributed to the team's successes in ODIs. In the Sharjah Cup against Pakistan he effected five dismissals via three catches and two run outs. He did not have to bat in the game, but became the first player to earn a Man of the Match award solely for fielding.

In late 1987, with an ordinary tour of New Zealand behind him, he partnered with Viv Richards to win the First Test in India, scoring 46. In the Third Test at Calcutta, he scored 101 of 136 balls, his second Test ton. 67 in the Fourth Test closed off a delightful resurgence for Logie.

West Indies hosted Pakistan in early 1988 for a hard fought, tight series, with Logie scoring 80 in the First Test at Georgetown. The series was drawn. Next up was a tour to England, which was to be his best. At the home of cricket, Lord's, Logie scored 81 in the first innings and was left agonisingly short of a third century when he was 95 not out in the second

innings. The Windies won the match, and Logie the Man of the Match award. Middling scores in the other matches ensured that when the tour was over, he topped the averages (for both West Indies and England) with 364 runs at 72.80. At the end of the season he was named Trinidad and Tobago Sportsman of the Year.

Logie scored 93 at Perth against Australia in the 88/89 tour, going close to a century once again, as was the case in April 1989 when he scored 89 versus India on his home Port of Spain pitch.

In 1990, West Indies were on the ropes at 5 for 29 against England in Port of Spain and were already 1-0 down in the Test series. Logie came in to bat at number six, scoring 98 in 136 balls to help save the match and, eventually, the series. In Pakistan, he scored two fifties in another winning effort for the Windies.

When Australia toured the Caribbean in 1991, Logie was second in the averages with 52.20, which included three fifties. The first one, in Kingston, was made after being hit by a bouncer, going off the field, and returning with seven stitches above his left eye to score 77 when the Windies were struggling 4 for 69 at one point. Once again, he battled to save the team.

In England in the summer of 1991 he hit 78 at Trent Bridge in the Third Test before scoring 28 in the 4th Test at Birmingham. With younger players coming through the ranks, it would be Logie's last Test match. He continued playing ODIs until 1993, retiring after the series against Pakistan.

He always knew that his succession plan was to go into coaching, evidenced by him earning coaching qualifications while he was still playing. In Australia, he won national coaching awards in 1994 and 1995, before returning to the Caribbean to coach the Windward Islands, West Indies Under-15 Men's Team, West Indies A, West Indies Women's Team, Bermuda and Canada. He also wrote the motivational book, Building Champions, in 2019.

A courageous and dashing batsman, a total team man, and one of the most brilliant fieldsman that the game of cricket has ever seen, his wonderful career was recognized when he was awarded the Hummingbird Silver Medal in 1991 and inducted into the Trinidad and Tobago Sports Hall of Fame in 1995.

Matches: Test 52; ODI 158; First Class 157

Batting: Test 2,470 runs, Average 35.79, Hundreds 2, Fifties 16; ODI 2,809 runs, Hundreds 1, Fifties 14; First Class 7,682 runs, Average 35.07, Hundreds 13, Fifties 40

Bowling: First Class Wickets 3, Average 42.66

Fielding: Test Catches 57; ODI Catches 61; First Class Catches 106

Sportsman of the Year: 1988