



Larry Hillman



Lawrence Morley Hillman

Defense

Born February 5, 1937 in Kirkland Lake, Ontario

Died June 3, 2022

Height: 5' 11" Weight: 185 lbs.

Following a long NHL career, veteran defenseman Larry Hillman joined the Cleveland Crusaders for the 1973-1974 season.

A stay-at-home defender, Hillman played two seasons in Cleveland before being claimed in the inter-league draft by the Winnipeg Jets in the summer of 1975.

Hillman played one season with the Jets and helped lead them to their first AVCO Cup championship.

Following the 1975-1976 season, Hillman joined the coaching ranks as an assistant to Joe Crozier with the Calgary Cowboys. After one season in Calgary, Hillman succeeded Bobby Kromm as the head coach of the Jets and led the Jets to their second AVCO Cup championship. He was dismissed late in the 1978-1979 season.

Scoring Statistics

		<u>Regular Season</u>					<u>Playoffs</u>						
<u>Season</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>GP</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>PIM</u>	<u>Season</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>GP</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>PIM</u>
1973-1974	Cleveland Crusaders	44	5	21	26	37							
1974-1975	Cleveland Crusaders	77	0	16	16	83	1974-1975	Cleveland Crusaders	5	1	3	4	0
1975-1976	Winnipeg Jets	71	1	12	13	62	1975-1976	Winnipeg Jets	12	0	2	2	32

Jersey Numbers

<u>#</u>	<u>Season</u>	<u>Team</u>
2	1973-1974	Cleveland Crusaders
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16	1975-1976	Winnipeg Jets

Transactions

<u>Date</u>	<u>Details</u>
June 1973	Toronto Toros trade the rights to Larry Hillman to Chicago Cougars for cash.
September 1973	Cleveland Crusaders sign Larry Hillman as a free agent.
September 1973	Cleveland Crusaders trade Joe Hardy to Chicago Cougars for the rights to Larry Hillman.

Draft History

Selected by Ottawa Nationals in 1972 General Player Draft (Buffalo NHL).

Selected by Winnipeg Jets in 1975 Intra-League Draft (Cleveland).