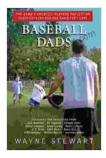
The Greatest Players Reflect On Their Fathers And The Game They Love

In honor of Father's Day, we asked some of the greatest players in the game to reflect on their fathers and the role they played in their love of basketball.



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For many of these players, their fathers were their first coaches and mentors, teaching them the game and instilling in them a love of competition. For others, their fathers were simply role models, showing them what it means to be a good man and a hard worker.

No matter what role their fathers played in their lives, these players all credit them with helping them become the players they are today. Here are their stories:

Michael Jordan

My father was my first coach and mentor. He taught me everything I know about basketball. He was always there for me, pushing me to be my best and never letting me give up. I owe him everything.

My father was a great man. He was kind, compassionate, and always put others before himself. He taught me the importance of hard work, dedication, and perseverance. He was also a great role model for me, showing me what it means to be a good man and a good father.

I am so grateful for everything my father did for me. He was the best father a son could ask for. I miss him every day, but I know that he is always with me, watching over me and cheering me on.

LeBron James

My father was not around when I was growing up. But my mother did everything she could to make sure I had everything I needed. She worked two jobs to support me and my siblings, and she always made sure I had a basketball in my hand.

I started playing basketball when I was three years old. I would play for hours every day, and I quickly fell in love with the game. My mother saw how much I loved basketball, and she encouraged me to keep playing. She was my biggest fan, and she always believed in me.

I am so grateful for everything my mother did for me. She is the reason I am the player I am today. I am also grateful for my father, even though he was not around. He gave me the gift of basketball, and I will never forget him.

Kobe Bryant

My father was a professional basketball player in Italy. I grew up watching him play, and I always dreamed of following in his footsteps.

My father was a great player, but he was also a great father. He was always there for me, supporting me and encouraging me to be my best. He taught me the importance of hard work, dedication, and perseverance.

I am so grateful for everything my father did for me. He was the best father a son could ask for. I am proud to be his son, and I will always cherish the memories we shared together.

Stephen Curry

My father was a college basketball player. He played for Davidson College, and he was a great shooter. I grew up watching him play, and I always wanted to be like him.

My father was a great player, but he was also a great father. He was always there for me, supporting me and encouraging me to be my best. He taught me the importance of hard work, dedication, and perseverance.

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Candace Parker

My father was a professional basketball player in the NBA. I grew up watching him play, and I always dreamed of following in his footsteps.

My father was a great player, but he was also a great father. He was always there for me, supporting me and encouraging me to be my best. He taught me the importance of hard work, dedication, and perseverance.

I am so grateful for everything my father did for me. He was the best father a daughter could ask for. I am proud to be his daughter, and I will always cherish the memories we shared together.

Elena Delle Donne

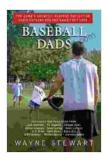
My father was not a basketball player. But he was a great athlete, and he always encouraged me to be active and to play sports.

I started playing basketball when I was seven years old. I quickly fell in love with the game, and I started playing competitively when I was in high school.

My father was always there for me, supporting me and encouraging me to be my best. He taught me the importance of hard work, dedication, and perseverance.

I am so grateful for everything my father did for me. He was the best father a daughter could ask for. I am proud to be his daughter, and I will always cherish the memories we shared together.

These are just a few of the many stories of how fathers have played a role in the lives of some of the greatest players in the game. Fathers can have a profound impact on their children, and they can help them to achieve their dreams. So if you are a father, be sure to tell your child how much you love them and how proud you are of them. And be sure to encourage them to follow their dreams, no matter what they may be.



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