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KC Royal Great Paul Splitterff Dies

The Kansas City Royals say Paul Splitterff, the winningest pitcher in the team's history, has died.

The team announced in a news release that the 64-year-old Splitterff died early Wednesday from complications from melanoma at his home in the Kansas City suburb of Blue Springs.

A left-hander, Splitterff won 166 games in a 15-year career. In 1973, he became the first Royals pitcher to win 20 games. He retired in 1984.

After his retirement, he worked as a broadcaster for the Royals and college basketball.

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