

## Kalamazoo Beams with Pride for Derek Jeter's 3,000 Hits

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Derek Jeter, born and raised in Kalamazoo, Michigan, is now in the record books. His hometown couldn't be more proud, as Number 2 becomes the first New York Yankee to reach the 3,000 hit mark. He hit number 3,000 at Yankee Stadium Saturday, July 9' 2011. At 37 years old, Derek is in good company - only 5 other players in the long history of the game have reached this milestone quicker. Only 5 other players have had 190 hits or more in a season at least 10 times like Derek. Only 2 other shortstops have reached the 3,000 hit mark. Derek Jeter is truly an amazing baseball player in a club full of historic players. The Yankees have given us Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig, Joe DiMaggio and Mickey Mantle. Derek Jeter joins that amazing list. Not only is the man who wears number 2 a great player, but he's a great mentor with his Turn 2 Foundation (of which AmeriFirst has had the honor of helping sponsor), and a clean record free of controversy. In today's constantly connected world and 24 hour news cycle full of celebrity problems, that's an impressive feat. AmeriFirst Home Mortgage is proud of our hometown hero on this amazing accomplishment.

27 players have gone before Derek Jeter into the 3,000 Club. He is one of 2 who did so with a home run. Former teammate Wade Boggs also hit a home run for his 3,000<sup>th</sup> hit. Only 2 players have crossed the 4,000 mark. Pete Rose may be the leading hitter, but Derek Jeter's batting average was higher (.312 vs. .303) when he hit 3,000! Keep on hitting, Derek, and keep on being great. We'll keep watching!

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