

# Diossos Tim Zak: The Man, the Myth, the Legend

Diossos Tim Zak is a former professional baseball player, coach, and manager. He is best known for his time as the manager of the Boston Red Sox, with whom he won two World Series championships.

## Early Life and Career

Zak was born on December 10, 1950, in Chicago, Illinois. He attended St. Ignatius College Prep and then played baseball at the University of Michigan. After graduating, he was drafted by the Boston Red Sox in the first round of the 1972 Major League Baseball Draft.



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Zak made his major league debut with the Red Sox in 1975. He played primarily as a catcher and was known for his strong defensive skills. He was also a solid hitter, with a career batting average of .271.

Zak played for the Red Sox for seven seasons, before being traded to the Chicago White Sox in 1982. He played for the White Sox for two seasons, before retiring from playing in 1984.

## **Coaching and Managerial Career**

After retiring from playing, Zak began his coaching career as a minor league manager in the Red Sox organization. He managed the Pawtucket Red Sox for three seasons, and then the Portland Sea Dogs for two seasons.

In 1992, Zak was named the manager of the Boston Red Sox. He led the Red Sox to two World Series championships, in 1995 and 2004. He was also named the American League Manager of the Year in 1995.

Zak was fired by the Red Sox in 2005. He then became the manager of the Los Angeles Dodgers, but was fired after one season.

## **Legacy**

Diossos Tim Zak is one of the most successful managers in Red Sox history. He is the only manager to lead the Red Sox to two World Series championships, and he is also the longest-tenured manager in team history.

Zak is known for his passionate and intense leadership style. He is also known for his ability to get the most out of his players.

Zak is a member of the Boston Red Sox Hall of Fame, and his number 15 is retired by the team.

## Personal Life

Zak is married to his wife, Lisa. They have two children, a son and a daughter.

Zak is a devout Catholic. He is also a member of the Knights of Columbus.

## Awards and Honors

\* 2x World Series champion (1995, 2004) \* American League Manager of the Year (1995) \* Boston Red Sox Hall of Fame (2005) \* Number 15 retired by the Boston Red Sox

## Image Gallery





Diossos Tim Zak celebrating the Boston Red Sox's 2004 World Series championship



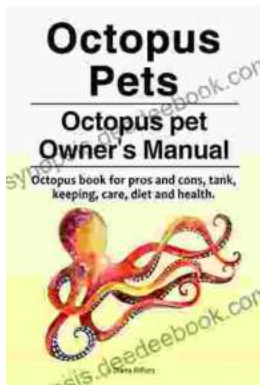
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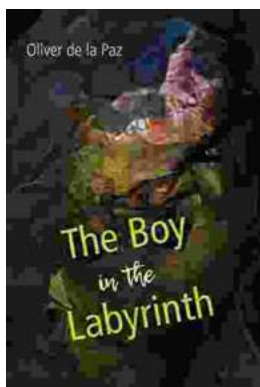
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