Oldest Senior Living Major League Baseball Players  
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Listed below is a chronological listing of all the major league baseball players who were the “oldest senior living major league players” from 1871 through the present time. The oldest senior living major league player designation is based on the player’s major league debut date and not his date of birth. If a researcher is looking for the “oldest living major league players” which solely uses the players’ date of birth can be found in the bullpen section of the baseball reference website. As for the senior living list, the only time a player’s date of birth would be a factor is when two (or more) players have the same major league debut date. This method would then be used as a sort of tie breaker to distinguish who would be considered to have the most seniority. This has occurred only once when many players had the May 4, 1871 debut date due to the beginning of the major league era. The first four players (annotated with asterisks) fall into this situation.

The senior living list contains the players’ name, lifespan and major league debut date. At present, 36 players have achieved this distinction. Retrosheet and baseball reference websites were the only sources I used to compile this listing.

Senior Living Major League Baseball Players (1871)

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