



Whether a prediction or premonition by his classmates, being voted “most likely to become famous,” seems to have come true for Sean Doolittle. Sean played baseball and basketball while at Shawnee, but baseball was his sport of choice. As a baseball player he earned three varsity letters as a pitcher and first baseman. A National Honor Society student, Sean was also named the 2004 NJ State Player of the Year by the Star Ledger, Baseball America, and Gatorade, the 2003 NJ State Pitcher of the Year by the Star Ledger, and the 2003-2004 South Jersey Player of the Year by The Philadelphia Inquirer and Courier Post Newspapers. Sean led the Renegades to their first state title in 2003, with an impressive twenty-three strikeouts in that final game. Sean was named All-American by NBCA/Rawlings and EA Sports, and as a senior, selected by the Atlanta Braves in the 39th round of the Major League Baseball draft in 2004. Keeping Sean’s legacy alive, Shawnee established the “King of the Hill” award in honor of Sean and his contributions to the Shawnee baseball program.



After graduating Shawnee, Sean attended the University of Virginia, where he majored in Psychology and continued to play baseball. While at Virginia, Sean was a three-time letter winner and three-time All American. In 2005, Sean was named an All-American by Baseball America and a Collegiate Baseball Freshman All-American. In 2006, Sean was named All-American by American Baseball Coaches Association, Baseball America, National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association, Collegiate Baseball, and College Baseball Insider. Sean was the 2006 Atlantic Coast Conference Player of the Year, a three-time All-ACC Selection, and a two-time member of Team USA. In 2007, Sean again was named All-American by Collegiate Baseball and Rivals.com. Sean left the University of Virginia as a career leader in RBI’s and wins. In 2018, Sean was one of fifteen members inducted into the inaugural class of the Virginia Baseball Hall of Fame located at the University of Virginia.

While playing for the University of Virginia, Sean was selected 41st overall by the Oakland Athletics in 2007, where he began his transition to playing professionally. Sean made his official Major League Baseball debut with the Oakland A’s on June 5, 2012. Sean was selected to the MLB All-Star game in 2014, and since playing professionally, Sean has been a two-time Roberto Clemente Award nominee (2013 and again in 2016,) and a two-time Bob Feller Act of Valor Award nominee (2015 and 2016).

Sean currently plays for the Washington Nationals as a pitcher. In 2018, Sean was named to the 2018 MLB All Star game as a reliever for the Washington Nationals. Sean is involved in many charities and is described by longtime friend Dan Hill as being a person who **“helps everyone - including military families, Syrian refugees, and families afflicted by cancer.”**

Sean and his spouse Eireann Dolan currently live in Washington, DC, and when not playing in the active season, they remain very involved in various charitable organizations.

Congratulations, Sean!