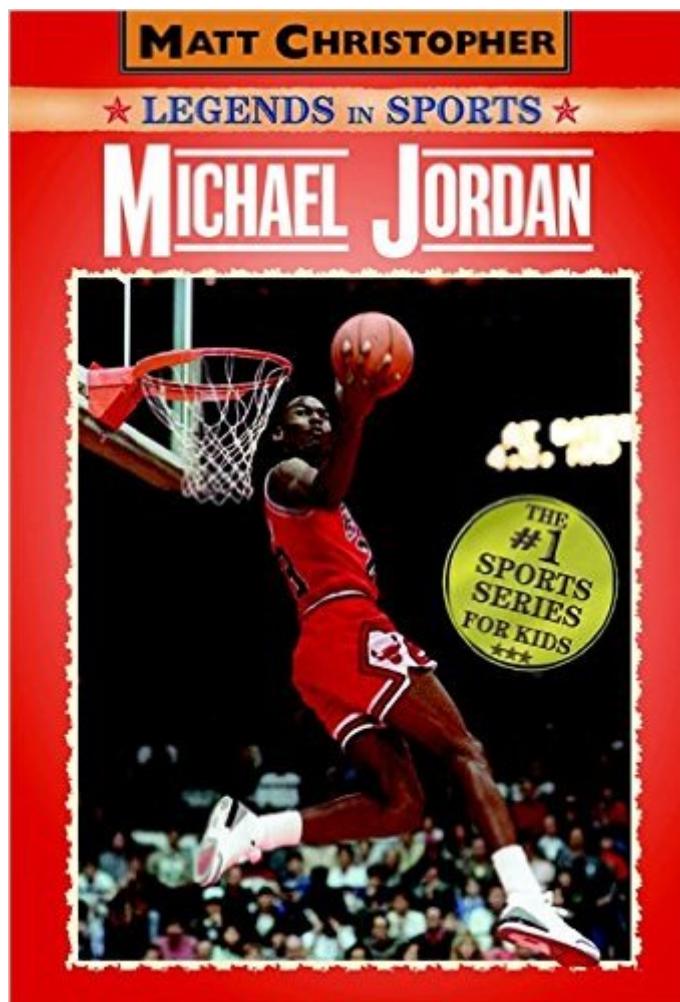


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# Michael Jordan: Legends In Sports (Matt Christopher Legends In Sports)



## **Synopsis**

Matt Christopher, the number one sports writer for kids, profiles basketball superstar Michael Jordan, covering his childhood, college career, rookie years, professional career highlights, and his short stint in minor league baseball. This reissue features an update, following Jordan from his re-entry into basketball as a player for the Washington Wizards to his third and final retirement announcement. With updated photos and Matt Christopher's easy-to-read style, this is a biography that's not to be missed. Updated photos and text will round out this *Legends in Sports* reissue and put Michael Jordan in league with other *Legends in Sports*, Babe Ruth and Jackie Robinson.

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

Grade Level: 3 - 7

## **Customer Reviews**

My 11 year old son had to do an autobiography report for school and chose Michael Jordan, partially because the book was written by his favorite sports author, Matt Christopher. My son loves sports and enjoys reading all of the Matt Christopher books. This book contains interesting facts about the sports legend Michael Jordan and is written to hold the interest of a 6th grade kid.

My son had to do a book report for his third grade class and this book was engaging and written in such a way that my son was really into it. I liked listening to him read it outloud. Even though it is

written to be understood by youngsters, the writing is interesting enough for a grown up to enjoy. I had to do so since I needed to be able to help my son write his report. I certainly learned a lot of things I did not know about this superstar athlete.

I'm from NC and an avid fan of MJ ! He has given back to his home state and I appreciate that he had to work hard as a child to hold on to his dreams. Good book shows what early support in the family can do for a child.

James and Deloris met in high school after attending a basketball game. They married on Feb. 17, 1963. Michael one of four children was born. The youngest son of the Jordan household, baseball was Michaels favorite sport. One day his father put up two wooden backboards and baskets and gave the boys a basketball. They called it the Rack. Michael practiced often to try to keep up with his brothers. When in high school it was recommended he attend a basketball camp known as a FiveStar Camp. Education was always important to his parents, they knew that unless he was a good student all of his athletic talent would go to waste. In the fall of 1981 Michael enrolled in the University of North Carolina. After playing for three years there was little left for Michael to accomplish. He decided to turn pro and on June 19, 1984 he was picked by the Chicago Bulls. He made history and won championships for the Bulls and won consecutive MVP awards. I liked this book very much. It is very hard to shorten in length the information this book has given me about the life of this great basketball star. The saddest part of the book was when they talked about his father dying. From what the police could piece together James had apparently pulled off the highway to take a nap and was attacked by two eighteen year old boys. They were later arrested and charged for the murder of James Jordan. Michael retired to spend more time with his family.

My 9 y.o. loves it. I bought it in 12/11 as a christmas present and he has read it twice. The book is well written.

My 9 year old son loved this book and really seemed to read it fast. Only thing to point out is that the author does talk about Mike's dad getting killed...not in detailed, but be prepared for a younger reader to know that.

We purchased this for my 9 year old son. He read it in about 5 days. It kept his attention the whole way through. I read through a lot of the book. It is well written, but it is definitely for the younger

crowd. Overall, it was an easy read and very enjoyable.

Born and raised in Chicago, IL I'm a diehard Bull fan. And I can easily identify with many memorable games while watching Michael Jordan play basketball and entertain thousands of basket ball fans. Now, Matt Christopher, gives kids an exciting detailed fun to read story about one of the greatest basket ball players of all time. Wow! And as your child reads this book can't you picture him or her watching him make slam dunks, jump shots, and great precision ball handling? It makes me want to get out there and join him on the basket ball court. Through ups and downs in his own life that ultimately made Michael Jordan a superstar, I strongly recommend that every kid either from a by gone era or now read this book, I give it five stars, and I'm Marvin P. Ferguson, author of The Unknown Baseball Player.

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