

MLB

After 12 years, A-Rod says goodbye to New York

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NEW YORK — Alex Rodriguez returned to the infield, hugged a reception line of teammates and was handed the final ball from his final game with the New York Yankees. He walked to the area behind third base, leaned down and grabbed a handful of dirt.

Baseball's most notorious star of the last two decades then headed back to the dugout after a Yankee Stadium finale Friday night that included a pregame ceremony punctuated by thunder cracks and cut short by a downpour, a first-inning RBI double and a surprising ninth-inning return to third base.

A sellout crowd of 46,459 gave him standing ovations and chanted his name, admiration and perhaps even affection coming out after more than a decade of trouble and tension.

"I've given these fans a lot of headaches over the years and I've disappointed a lot of people," he said after the 6-3 victory over Tampa Bay, his hoarse voice sounding over the public-address system in one of baseball's most unusual farewells. "But like I've always said, you don't have to be



New York Yankees' Alex Rodriguez waves his cap after his final game as a Yankee, as his teammates watch and applaud, Friday, Aug. 12, 2016, in New York.

defined by your mistakes. How you come back matters, too, and that's what New York's all about."

He will be cut Saturday by a Yankees team pivoting to youth. The 41-year-old designated hitter isn't sure whether he will play again.

A-Rod drove a 96 mph fastball from Chris Archer into the right-center field gap in the first inning,

ending a 0-for-11 slide. Rodriguez then grounded out, struck out and bounced out again on the first pitch in his last at-bat. The 1-for-4 night left him with a .200 average, nine homers and 31 RBIs in his 12th and final Yankees season.

With the sellout crowd of 46,459 chanting "We want A-Rod!" Yankees manager Joe Girardi sent him to third base for the first time

in 15 months at the start of the ninth inning as the organist played "Thanks for Memory."

Rodriguez had criticized Girardi for benching him for most of the past month.

"If this is the last time he plays," Girardi said softly, pausing for 10 seconds and sniffing as his voice cracked and his eyes teared, "I wanted it to be something he never forgot."

Girardi offered to leave him in the field for two outs, but Rodriguez opted to leave after Mikie Mahtook's leadoff strikeout. Fans applauded, many of whom never warmed to a player who in 2009 admitted using performance-enhancing drugs, then served a yearlong drug suspension in 2014.

Rodriguez raised his cap and an arm before walking into the dugout, sitting down and holding a white towel to his face as he tried to hold back tears.

"With all that I've been through, and for them to show up on a night like tonight and show me that type love is something that I'll never forget. It was overwhelming," he said during a news conference, perfectly coifed in a gray suit and silver necktie.

He has 696 home runs, fourth

on the career list behind Barry Bonds (762), Hank Aaron (755) and Babe Ruth (714). But owner Hal Steinbrenner told him on Aug. 3 the end was at hand, and Rodriguez said last Sunday he had accepted an offer to play one final home game and then become a team adviser through 2017, tasked with mentoring young players.

"With all my screw-ups and how badly I acted, the fact that I'm walking out the door, Hal wants me as part of the family, that's hitting 800 home runs for me," Rodriguez said.

New York will owe him \$7,103,825 for the rest of this year and \$20 million for next, the final season of his \$275 million, 10-year contract.

But, he has not said he is retiring.

"I'm going to need a long nap and recover and I want to see where life takes me," he said, "but right now I think I value wearing this uniform, and for me the Yankees pinstripes is enough."

A 14-time All-Star and three-time AL MVP, A-Rod has a .295 batting average, 3,115 hits and his 2,086 RBIs, second to Aaron's 2,297 since RBIs became an official statistic.

Olympics

USA women ousted in quarterfinals, Sweden wins 4-3 on penalty kicks

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BRASILIA, Brazil — The three-time defending champion U.S. women's national soccer team won't win an Olympic medal for the first time after being ousted by Sweden on penalties following a 1-1 draw in the quarterfinals on Friday.

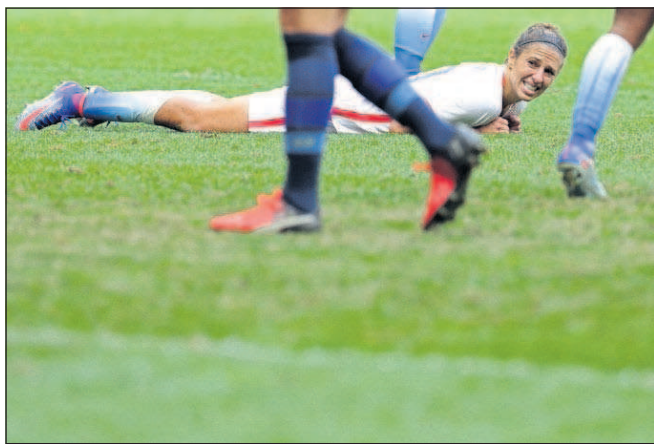
Tied after three rounds in the shootout, Sweden captain Caroline Seger beat Hope Solo and Christen Press' attempt against Hedvig Lindahl went over the net. With the next kick, Lisa Dahlkvist beat an outstretched Solo for the 4-3 win.

As Sweden celebrated, U.S. captain Carli Lloyd crouched on the field at Mane Garrincha Stadium. It was the first time that an Olympic women's match had gone to penalties.

It was the earliest the United States had ever been eliminated from the Olympics since women's soccer became a sport in 1996.

Sweden is coached by Pia Sundhage, who coached the U.S. team for five years and led the squad to gold medals in both Beijing and London.

After a scoreless first half, Stina Blackstenius scored in the 61st minute to give Sweden a 1-0 lead. Alex Morgan scored the



United States' Carli Lloyd lies on the ground during a quarter-final match of the women's Olympic football tournament between the United States and Sweden in Brasilia Friday Aug. 12, 2016.

equalizer in the 78th and the match went to extra time.

Lloyd had a header called back for offside in the 115th minute, and Lotta Schelin was offside on her attempt against Solo a minute later — although replays appeared to show otherwise.

The reigning World Cup champions, who are also four-time Olympic champions, had not dropped a match this year. But it is Sweden that will play either in Australia or host Brazil in the semifinals.

Blackstenius, who came in as a substitute in the first half, broke away and shook off defender Julie Johnston to beat Solo and give Sweden the lead. It was just her second international

goal, and Sundhage reacted by high-fiving her assistants on the bench.



The United States got the equalizer with a shot from Morgan that bounced off a Sweden defender. It was Morgan's team-leading 13th goal of the year.

Lloyd nearly put the United States ahead in the 85th but her kick to the far corner went just wide.

The Americans won their first two matches in Brazil before a surprising 2-2 draw in Manaus against Colombia, which had already been eliminated.

Johnston returned to the starting lineup after missing the last two games with a groin injury and coach Jill Ellis played all her regular

Soccer

	
United States	Sweden
1 (3)	1 (4)

starters after rotating and resting many against Colombia in the heat and humidity of the Amazon. Megan Rapinoe, who started against Colombia after missing more than eight months following right knee surgery, was on the bench but came on as a substitute in the second half.

Press replaced Rapinoe in the extra period.

Sweden had won only five matches against the United States. At last year's World Cup, the two teams played to a scoreless draw. The last time the two teams met in the Olympics was at the 1996 Atlanta Games. Sundhage was a player on the Sweden team that fell 2-1 to the Americans.

Ranked sixth in the world, Sweden had struggled in its Olympic group with a 5-1 loss to host Brazil and finished 1-1-1.

Lloyd buried her head in her hands early in the second half after her free kick was off the mark. Just moments later, she had another that was off-target, too, as the United States struggled to finish throughout the match.



Seattle's Robinson Cano argues with home plate umpire Marty Foster after being called out on strikes in Friday's game in Oakland.

MARINERS: Cishek expects to start rehab assignment soon

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open in the sixth with five consecutive singles, including Alonzo's tiebreaker.

Alonso, who also singled in the eighth, is hitting .361 over his last 11 games.

Wieland (0-1), acquired from the Dodgers in the offseason, allowed six runs and nine hits with three strikeouts in his Mariners debut.

Davis, the only batter on Oakland's roster who had faced Wieland, hit a two-run homer in the first to put the A's up 3-0. Vogt doubled in Semien earlier in the inning.

TRAINER'S ROOM
Mariners: Steve Cishek (torn left hip labrum) is expected to begin a rehab assignment soon but manager Scott Servais said

Cishek won't be coming back as the team's closer when he returns to the big league club. Edwin Diaz, who has converted all five save opportunities since taking over as closer, will remain in that role. ... James Paxton, who was hit in the elbow by a line drive Aug. 7, is still sore but Servais is hopeful to rotate the lefty back in the rotation early next week. ... OF Daniel Robertson was designated for assignment.

UP NEXT
Mariners: RHP Hisashi Iwakuma (13-7) makes his 13th career start against the A's on Saturday night. Iwakuma has 12 wins over his last 15 starts.

Athletics: RHP Kendall Graveman (8-7) will face Seattle for the third time this season. Graveman is 7-1 over his past 13 starts.

SCOREBOARD

Olympics

TV SCHEDULE

SATURDAY
NBC — Track & Field - Qualifying Rounds (LIVE); Men's Discus - Gold Medal Final; Women's Water Polo - U.S. vs. Hungary (LIVE); Beach Volleyball - Round of 16 (LIVE); Rowing - Gold Medal Finals; Men's Trampoline - Gold Medal Finals (LIVE); Men's Volleyball - U.S. vs. France (LIVE), 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Track & Field (LIVE); Men's Long Jump - Gold Medal Final, Men's 10k - Gold Medal Final, Women's 100m - Semifinals and Final, Women's Heptathlon; Swimming (LIVE); Women's 50m Freestyle - Gold Medal Final, Men's 1500m Freestyle - Gold Medal Final, Women's 4x100m Medley Relays - Gold Medal Final, Men's 4x100m Medley Relays - Gold Medal Final; Women's Diving - Springboard Semifinals; Beach Volleyball - Round of 16 (LIVE), 8 p.m.-Midnight; Track & Field - Semifinals, 12:30-1:30 a.m.

NBCSN — Women's Fencing - Team Sabre Round of 16 (LIVE); Track & Field (LIVE); Men's Discus - Gold Medal Final; Men's Soccer - Quarterfinal (LIVE); Men's Shooting - Skeet Gold Medal Final; Beach Volleyball - Round of 16; Men's Basketball - Spain vs. Lithuania (LIVE); Men's Weightlifting - 94kg Gold Medal Final; Men's Shooting - Pistol Gold Medal Final; Men's Soccer - Quarterfinal (LIVE); Boxing - Elimination Matches; Men's Shooting - Pistol Gold Medal Final, 8 a.m.-Midnight.

MSNBC — Women's Fencing - Team Sabre Quarterfinals (LIVE); Women's Water Polo - China vs. Spain, Russia vs. Italy; Women's Table Tennis - Team Quarterfinal; Badminton - Preliminary Round; Men's Shooting - Skeet Gold Medal Final (LIVE); Women's Fencing - Team Sabre Bronze and Gold Medal Finals; Men's Soccer - Quarterfinal (LIVE); **USA** — Beach Volleyball - Round of 16 (LIVE); Men's Handball - Slovenia vs. Germany; Men's Basketball - Argentina vs. Brazil (LIVE), 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

CNBC — Women's Field Hockey - U.S. vs. Great Britain (LIVE); Men's Soccer - Quarterfinal (LIVE), 5-8 p.m.

GOLF CHANNEL — Golf Central Live From the Olympics, 6-8 a.m. & 3-5 p.m.; Men's Golf - 3rd Round (LIVE), 6:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

BRavo — Tennis (LIVE), 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

NBC BASKETBALL CHANNEL — Men's Basketball - Argentina vs. Brazil (LIVE), Argentina vs. Brazil encore, Spain vs. Lithuania (LIVE), Croatia vs. Nigeria (LIVE); Women's Basketball - Australia vs. Belarus (LIVE), Turkey vs. Brazil, Japan vs. France, 11:15 a.m.-11:15 p.m.

NBC SOCCER CHANNEL — Men's Soccer - Quarterfinal 1 (LIVE), Quarterfinal 1 encore, Quarterfinal 2 (LIVE), Quarterfinal 2 encore, Quarterfinal 3 (LIVE), Quarterfinal 3 encore, Quarterfinal 4 (LIVE), Game of the Day, Noon-Midnight

TELEMUNDO — News Recap; Men's Soccer - Quarterfinal; Beach Volleyball -

Round of 16; Men's Soccer - Quarterfinal, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

NBC UNIVERSO — Men's Soccer - Quarterfinals; Boxing - Elimination Matches, 5-8 p.m.

Friday's scores and results

BASKETBALL

Men
Australia 93, China 68
United States 94, Serbia 91
France 96, Venezuela 56

Women
Serbia 80, China 72
United States 81, Canada 51
Spain 97, Senegal 43

FIELD HOCKEY

Men
India 2, Canada 2
Germany 2, Netherlands 1
Britain 1, Spain 1
New Zealand 3, Belgium 1
Argentina 3, Ireland 2
Australia 9, Brazil 0

Women
South Korea 0, China 0
New Zealand 1, Netherlands 1

SOCCER

Quarterfinals
Sweden 1, United States 1, Sweden wins 4-3 on penalty kicks
Germany 1, China 0
Canada 1, France 0
Brazil 0, Australia 0, Brazil wins 7-6 on penalty kicks

TEAM HANDBALL

Women
India 24, Angola 24
Sweden 29, Netherlands 29
Romania 24, Spain 21
Norway 28, Montenegro 19
Russia 35, Argentina 29
France 21, South Korea 17

VOLLEYBALL

Women
Serbia 3, China 0 (25-19, 25-19, 25-22)
Argentina 3, Cameroon 2 (19-25, 25-19, 26-28, 25-21, 15-13)
United States 3, Italy 1 (25-22, 25-22, 23-25, 25-20)
Netherlands 0, Puerto Rico 0 (25-14, 25-22, 25-16)
Russia 3, Japan 0 (25-14, 30-28, 25-18)
Brazil 3, South Korea 0 (25-17, 25-13, 27-25)

WATER POLO

Men
Hungary 17, Japan 7
Croatia 10, Italy 7
Montenegro 8, United States 5
Greece 9, Brazil 4
Spain 10, France 4
Serbia 10, Australia 8

BEACH VOLLEYBALL

Men

Round of 16

Konstantin Semenov and Viacheslav Krasinikov, Russia, def. Jefferson Santos Pereira and Cherif Younoussa Samba, Qatar, 21-13, 21-13.

Sergio Reynaldo Gonzalez Bayard and Nivaldo Nadhir Diaz Gomez, Cuba, def. Alexander Horst and Clemens Doppler, Austria, 21-17, 21-14.

Reinder Nummerdor and Christiaan Varenhorst, Netherlands, def. Rodolfo Lombardo Ontiveros Gomez and Juan Ramon Virgen Pulido, Mexico, 21-18, 21-15.

Paolo Nicolai and Daniele Lupo, Italy, def. Alex Ranghieri and Adrian Ignacio Caramulla Raurich, Italy, 21-12, 23-21.

Women

Round of 16
Larissa Franca Maestrini and Talita Rocha, Brazil, def. Britta Buthe and Karla Borger, Germany, 21-17, 21-19.

Barbara Seikas de Freitas and Agatha Bednarczuk, Brazil, def. Fan Wang and Yuan Yue, China, 21-12, 21-16.

Ekaterina Birlova and Evgenia Ukolova, Russia, def. Liliana Fernandez Steiner and Elsa Baquerizo McMillan, Spain, 23-21, 24-22.

Kerri Walsh Jennings and April Ross, United States, def. Marta Menegatti and Laura Giombini, Italy, 21-10, 21-16.

TRACK & FIELD

Women

10,000m Run
Final
1. Almaz Ayana, Ethiopia, 29:17.45.
2. Vivian Jepkemoi Cheruiyot, Kenya, 29:32.53.
3. Tirunesh Dibaba, Ethiopia, 29:42.56.
6. Molly Huddle, United States, 30:13.17.

Shot Put
Final
1. Michelle Carter, United States, 20.63, (20.63), 67-8 1/4.
2. Valerie Adams, New Zealand, 20.42, (20.42), 66-12.
3. Anita Marton, Hungary, 19.87 (19.87), 65-2 1/4.
5. Raven Saunders, United States, 19.35, (19.35), 63-5 3/4.

SWIMMING

Men

50 Freestyle
Final
1. Anthony Ervin, United States, 21.40.
2. Florent Manaudou, France, 21.41.
3. Nathan Adrian, United States, 21.49.

100 Butterfly
Final
1. Joseph Schooling, Singapore, 50.39.
2. Michael Phelps, United States, 51.14.
3. Chad Guy Bertrand le Clos, South Africa, 51.14.
6. László Cseh, Hungary, 51.14.
7. Tom Shields, United States, 51.73.

Women

200 Backstroke
Final
1. Madeline Dirado, United States,

2:05.99.
2. Katinka Hosszu, Hungary, 2:06.05.
3. Hilary Caldwell, Canada, 2:07.54.

800 Freestyle
Final
1. Katie Ledecky, United States, 8:04.79.
2. Jazz Carlin, Britain, 8:16.17.
3. Boglarka Kapas, Hungary, 8:16.37.
6. Leah Smith, United States, 8:20.95.

FENCING

Foil Team
Bronze Medal
United States (Miles Chamley-Watson; Alexander Massialas; Race Imboden; Gerek Meinhardt), def. Italy (Giorgio Avola; Daniele Garozzo; Andrea Cassara; Andrea Baldini), 45-31

Gold Medal
Russia (Artur Akhmatkhuzin; Dmitry Zherebchenko; Alexey Chermisninov; Timur Safin), def. France (Erwan le Pechoux; Enzo Lefort; Jeremy Cadot; Jean-Paul Tony Heissej), 45-41

BOXING

Men's Light Fly (46-49kg)
Semifinals
Hasanboy Dusmatov, Uzbekistan, def. Nico Miguel Hernandez, United States, 3-0.

Men's Light (60kg)
Quarterfinals
Lazaro Jorge Alvarez, Cuba, def. Carlos Zenon Balderas Jr., United States, 3-0.

TENNIS

Singles

Men
Quarterfinals
Andy Murray (2), Britain, def. Steve Johnson (12), United States, 6-0, 4-6, 7-6 (2).
Rafael Nadal (3), Spain, def. Thomaz Bellucci, Brazil, 2-6, 6-4, 6-2.
Juan Martin del Potro, Argentina, def. Roberto Bautista Agut (10), Spain, 7-5, 7-6 (4).
Kei Nishikori (4), Japan, def. Gael Monfils (6), France, 7-6 (4), 4-6, 7-6 (6).

Women

Semifinals
Monica Puig, Puerto Rico, def. Petra Kvitova, Czech Republic, 6-4, 1-6, 6-3.
Angelique Kerber, Germany, def. Madison Keys, United States, 6-3, 7-5.

Doubles

Men
Gold Medal
Marc Lopez and Rafael Nadal (6), Spain, def. Florin Mergea and Horia Tecau (5), Romania, 6-2, 3-6, 6-4.
Bronze Medal
Steve Johnson and Jack Sock, United States (7), def. Daniel Nestor and Vasek Pospisil (7), Canada, 6-2, 6-4.

Women

Semifinals
Ekaterina Makarova and Elena Vesnina (7), Russia, def. Lucie Safarova and Barbara Strýcova, Czech Republic, 7-6 (7), 6-4.

ARCHERY

Men's Individual

Bronze Medal
Brady Ellison, United States, def. Sief van den Berg, Netherlands, 6-2.

Gold Medal
Bonchan Ku, South Korea, def. Jean-Charles Valladont, France, 7-3.

Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	65	50	.565	—
Toronto	65	51	.560	½
Boston	62	52	.544	2½
New York	59	56	.513	6
Tampa Bay	46	68	.404	18½

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	65	48	.575	—
Detroit	61	53	.535	4½
Kansas City	56	59	.487	10
Chicago	55	60	.478	11
Minnesota	46	70	.397	20½

West Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	68	48	.586	—
Houston	61	55	.526	7
Seattle	60	54	.526	7
Oakland	52	64	.448	16
Los Angeles	49	66	.426	18½

Friday's Games
Houston 5, Toronto 3
Boston 9, Arizona 4
Chicago White Sox 4, Miami 2
Cleveland 13, L.A. Angels 3
N.Y. Yankees 6, Tampa Bay 3
Detroit at Texas, 8:05 p.m.
Kansas City 7, Minnesota 3
Oakland 6, Seattle 3
Baltimore 5, San Francisco 2

Saturday's Games
Tampa Bay (Andriese 6-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Tanaka 8-4), 10:05 a.m.
Houston (McHugh 7-9) at Toronto (Sanchez 11-2), 10:07 a.m.
Arizona (Bradley 4-7) at Boston (Buchholz 4-9), 4:10 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Shields 5-14) at Miami (Murray 8-6), 4:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Strailey 7-6) at Milwaukee (Davies 9-4), 4:10 p.m.
San Diego (Cosart 0-1) at N.Y. Mets (deGrom 7-5), 4:10 p.m.
Baltimore (Gausman 3-9) at San Francisco (Bumgarner 10-7), 6:05 p.m.

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NORTHWEST LEAGUE

North Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Everett (Mariners)	11	4	.733	—
Spokane (Rangers)	8	7	.533	3
Tri-City (Padres)	6	9	.400	5
Vancouver (Blue Jays)	4	11	.267	7

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Hillsboro (Dbacks)	10	5	.667	—
Eugene (Cubs)	10	5	.667	—
Boise (Rockies)	6	9	.400	4
Salem-Keizer (Giants)	5	10	.333	5

Friday's Games
Tri-City 5, Spokane 3
Everett 7, Salem-Keizer 2
Hillsboro 6, Vancouver 3

Saturday's Games
Vancouver at Hillsboro, 5 p.m.
Tri-City at Boise, 6 p.m.
Eugene at Spokane, 6 p.m.
Salem-Keizer at Everett, 7 p.m.

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	73	41	.640	—
St. Louis	60	56	.517	14
Pittsburgh	58	55	.513	14½
Milwaukee	51	63	.447	22
Cincinnati	47	67	.412	26

West Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	65	50	.565	—
Los Angeles	64	51	.557	1
Colorado	56	50	.526	9½
San Diego	50	65	.435	15
Arizona	48	67	.417	17

Friday's Games
Chicago Cubs 13, St. Louis 2
Atlanta 8, Washington 5
Philadelphia 10, Colorado 6
Boston 9, Arizona 4
Chicago White Sox 4, Miami 2
San Diego 8, N.Y. Mets 6
Cincinnati 7, Milwaukee 4
Pittsburgh 5, L.A. Dodgers 1
Baltimore 5, San Francisco 2

Saturday's Games
St. Louis (Weaver 0-0) at Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 11-7), 11:20 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Cole 7-7) at L.A. Dodgers (McCarthy 2-2), 1:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Whalen 1-0) at Washington (Lopez 0-1), 4:05 p.m.
Colorado (Anderson 4-3) at Philadelphia (Eickhoff 7-12), 4:05 p.m.
Arizona (Bradley 4-7) at Boston (Buchholz 4-9), 4:10 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Shields 5-14) at Miami (Murray 8-6), 4:10 p.m.
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