

# Franz Beckenbauer, 1945-2024

German legend Franz Beckenbauer, one of football's greatest ever players, affectionately known as "Der Kaiser", has died aged 78

■ **1964-77:** Wins four ***Bundesliga*** titles during career with ***Bayern Munich*** and leads team to three successive ***European Cup*** triumphs (1974-76)

■ **1965:** International debut – first of 103 appearances for ***West Germany***

■ **1966:** Awarded best young player at ***FIFA World Cup***, aged 20

■ **1972:** Wins ***UEFA European Championships***. Claims ***Ballon d'Or*** accolade – repeats feat in 1976

■ **1974:** Captains West Germany to ***FIFA World Cup*** glory on home soil

■ **1982:** Bundesliga title with Hamburg

■ **1990:** Wins World Cup as coach of combined Germany team – one of only three men to lift trophy as both player and manager

■ **1993-2009:** Returns to Bayern as coach before becoming club president

