Acquired in a trade with the Winnipeg Jets on February 25, 2019, physical and fiery Brendan Lemieux is an imposing presence at the forward position. Originally a second round choice of the Buffalo Sabres in 2014, the Denver, Colorado, native is the son of former NHL player Claude Lemieux.

Parents are Claude and Deborah. His father played 21 seasons in the NHL and won four Stanley Cups, as well as the Conn Smyth Trophy as the Most Valuable Player in the Stanley Cup Playoffs in 1994-95. He scored 786 points (379 goals, 407 assists) in 1215 career games with the Montreal Canadiens, New Jersey Devils, Colorado Avalanche, Phoenix Coyotes, Dallas Stars and San Jose Sharks.

• Has a sister, Claudia
• Collects signed hockey sticks. “It started with my dad and I continued to do it,” said Lemieux. “I’d say we have about 1,000.”

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PEP TALK

Lemieux finished 2nd in the NHL in 2019-20 in PIM (111) and 7th in penalties drawn (32).

The Rangers posted a 12-3-1 record in games he tallied a point this season.