



2010 Hyundai Sun Bowl Notre Dame vs. Miami (Fla.) December 31, 2010 Fighting Irish Post Game Notes



TODAY'S VICTORY ...

- ▶ Improves Notre Dame to 8-5 for the first time in school history.
- ▶ Secures an eight-win season for the 52nd time in school history.
- ▶ Gives the Irish a four-game winning streak for the first time since 2006 when Notre Dame won eight straight contests.
- ▶ Gives Notre Dame a four-game winning streak to end the season for the first time since 1992 when the Irish closed with seven consecutive wins.
- ▶ Gives Notre Dame its second straight victory in a bowl game following an NCAA record nine-game bowl losing streak.
- ▶ Evens the Irish all-time record in bowl games to 15-15-0 (.500).
- ▶ Improves Notre Dame to 17-4-0 (.810) all-time in games played in the state of Texas.
- ▶ Improves Notre Dame to 6-2-0 (.750) all-time in bowl games played in the state of Texas.
- ▶ Improves the Irish to 16-7-1 (.688) in the all-time series with Miami.
- ▶ Improves Notre Dame to 2-3-0 (.400) all-time in bowl games played against the ACC.
- ▶ Improves an unranked Notre Dame to 3-3-0 (.500) all-time against the Hurricanes.
- ▶ Improves an unranked Notre Dame squad to 2-0-0 (1.000) all-time against Miami on a neutral field.
- ▶ Improves an unranked Notre Dame squad to 3-1-0 (.750) all-time against an unranked Miami team.
- ▶ Improves an unranked Notre Dame squad to 2-0-0 (.750) all-time against an unranked Hurricanes team on a neutral field.
- ▶ Improves the Irish to 11-2-1 (.821) all-time against an unranked Miami team.
- ▶ Improves Notre Dame to 78-31-2 (.712) all-time against the ACC.
- ▶ Improves the Irish to 7-4-0 (.636) all-time against the ACC on a neutral field.
- ▶ Improves Notre Dame's all-time record to 34-19-2 (.636) against the ACC outside of South Bend.
- ▶ Improves Notre Dame's all-time record to 845-295-42 (.733).
- ▶ Improves Notre Dame's all-time record on a neutral field to 109-36-6 (.742).
- ▶ Improves Notre Dame's all-time record to 388-179-29 (.675) outside of South Bend.
- ▶ Improves Kelly's record to 179-62-2 (.741) overall, 61-27-0 (.693) at the FBS level and 41-11-0 (.788) over the last four seasons.
- ▶ Improves Kelly's record to 3-1-0 (.750) against the ACC.
- ▶ Makes Kelly the first Irish head coach to win a bowl game in his inaugural season.
- ▶ Improve Kelly's bowl record to 3-1-0 (.750).

HYUNDAI SUN BOWL AWARD WINNERS

John Folmer Most Valuable Special Teams Player - David Ruffer
Jimmy Rogers, Jr. Most Valuable Lineman - Zack Martin
C.M. Hendricks Most Valuable Player - Michael Floyd

THE 2010 CAPTAINS

▶ Junior WR **Michael Floyd** leads all Irish players with five selections. Senior S **Harrison Smith** has four selections and senior NG **Ian Williams** have been chosen on three separate occasions.

Purdue: Michael Floyd, Darrin Walls

Michigan: Armando Allen Jr., Ethan Johnson

Michigan State: Kyle Rudolph, Ian Williams

Stanford: Chris Stewart, Ian Williams

Boston College: Armando Allen Jr., Harrison Smith

Pittsburgh: Kerry Neal, Trevor Robinson

Western Michigan: Dayne Crist, Gary Gray

Navy: Robert Blanton, Zack Martin

Tulsa: Michael Floyd, Manti Te'o

Utah: Michael Floyd, Harrison Smith

Army: Michael Floyd, Harrison Smith

USC: Michael Floyd, Harrison Smith

Miami (Fla.): Robert Hughes, Chris Stewart, Brian Smith and Ian Williams.

IRISH HOT DOWN THE STRETCH

- ▶ Notre Dame has not posted a three-game winning streak to end the regular season since 2005. The Irish captured their last five games of '05. Notre Dame has only closed 20 seasons with a winning streak of at least three games since 1930.
- ▶ The Irish last posted an undefeated November in 2005. Notre Dame has only posted four undefeated Novembers over the last 15 years.
- ▶ The Irish owned a 3-10 mark in November over the previous three seasons entering 2010.
- ▶ Notre Dame entered its meeting with Miami riding a three-game winning streak. The Irish registered their fourth consecutive victory, which was the longest winning streak since 2006 when Notre Dame captured eight straight games.
- ▶ The Irish closed a season with four or more straight wins for the first time since 1992. Notre Dame closed the '92 season with seven consecutive victories.

KELLY IN THE POSTSEASON

▶ Brian Kelly, in his 20th season as a collegiate head coach, owns a 14-5 postseason record (including today's victory). That includes an 11-4 mark in NCAA Division II playoffs during his tenure at Grand Valley State (national championships in 2002 and 2003). Kelly's Cincinnati teams defeated Western Michigan, 27-24, in the International Bowl following the 2006 season (just after taking the Bearcat job), defeated Southern Mississippi, 31-21, in the Papajohns.com Bowl in 2007 and then fell 20-7 in 2008 to Virginia Tech in the Bowl Championship Series FedEx Orange Bowl. Last year, Kelly coached his Cincinnati team to a 12-0 record and an invitation to the Allstate Sugar Bowl, but he did not coach that game after accepting the job at Notre Dame.

KELLY ALTERS IRISH HISTORY FOR FIRST-YEAR COACHES IN BOWL GAMES

▶ Kelly became the first Irish coach in school history to capture a bowl game in his inaugural season with Notre Dame. He already became the fourth Irish head coach to reach a bowl game during his first year. Kelly joins Charlie Weis (2005), Tyrone Willingham (2002) and Bob Davie (1997) as first-year Notre Dame coaches to participate in a bowl game.

Bowl	Date	ND Coach	Result	ND Rank	Opponent (Rank)
Sun	Dec. 31, 2010	Brian Kelly	W, 33-17	NR	Miami, Fla. (NR)
Fiesta	Jan. 2, 2006	Charlie Weis	L, 20-34	5	Ohio State (4)
Gator	Jan. 1, 2003	Tyrone Willingham	L, 6-28	11	NC State (17)
Independence	Dec. 28, 1997	Bob Davie	L, 9-27	NR	LSU (15)

NOTRE DAME BOWL HISTORY

- ▶ Today's appearance in the Hyundai Sun Bowl was the 30th bowl appearance by the Irish (first ever in the Sun Bowl), whose first bowl outing was in the 1925 Rose Bowl.
- ▶ Notre Dame made its first bowl appearance in 1924 when Knute Rockne took his famed Four Horsemen backfield across the country to meet Stanford in the Rose Bowl.
- ▶ Due to University regulations, the Irish did not appear in a bowl game again until the 1970 Cotton Bowl.
- ▶ Over the years, Notre Dame has fashioned an overall record of 15-15 in post-season play and has participated in 12 different bowl games.
- ▶ Notre Dame made its eighth bowl appearance in the state of Texas (seven previous Cotton Bowl appearances and a 5-2 mark in those Dallas contests; now 1-0 in the Sun Bowl).
- ▶ This marks Notre Dame's fifth bowl game against a current member of the ACC (now 2-3) - after a 19-18 win over Boston College in the 1983 Liberty Bowl, followed by losses to Florida State in the 1996 Orange Bowl (31-26) and losses to Georgia Tech (35-28) and North Carolina State (28-6) in the 1999 and 2003 Gator Bowls.

NAMES ON UNIFORMS A BOWL GAME TRADITION

- ▶ The white Irish jerseys for the game today had player names on the backs - renewing a tradition from the Ara Parseghian years when Irish teams did not have names on the backs of their jerseys during the regular season but added them for bowl games. It also becomes a nice personal touch for the players who are allowed to keep their bowl jerseys. Notre Dame donned blue uniforms with names on the backs in the 2008 Hawai'i Bowl victory over Hawai'i. Prior to 2008, the Irish had not worn names on their jerseys since the Cotton Bowl against Texas A&M that ended the 1987 season (Tim Brown's final game as a collegian).
- ▶ Today's game was the 13th time the Irish have worn bowl jerseys with names on the back - 8-5 record in those games (5-3 in white with blue numbers).

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES

- ▶ Miami won the coin toss, but elected to defer. The Irish will receive and defend the South end zone.
- ▶ Notre Dame opened each of its first 11 games this season and 12 of 13 overall with the football.
- ▶ Official attendance was 54,021. The attendance not only established a new stadium record, but also eclipsed the previous Sun Bowl record for attendance set in 2009 (53,713; Oklahoma vs. Stanford).
- ▶ Notre Dame entered today's Sun Bowl averaging only 4.58 penalties per game, which ranked tied for ninth in the FBS. The Irish were victimized with a pair of penalties on their opening drive of the contest.
- ▶ Notre Dame not only dominated time of possession in the first quarter (10:41 to 4:19), but also total yards. The Irish totaled 136 yards compared to Miami's 35. Notre Dame also threw for 85 yards, while the Hurricanes managed only seven.
- ▶ Miami didn't get a first down until there was a minute left in the opening period.
- ▶ Prior to Miami's final drive of the first half, the Hurricanes had run only two plays in Irish territory and both resulted in a Notre Dame interception (and both were recorded by senior S **Harrison Smith**).
- ▶ Notre Dame's 24-point halftime lead (27-3) was the second-largest in Sun Bowl history. Alabama led SMU, 28-0, at halftime in 1983.

ARE WE IN SOUTH BEND?

- ▶ With an official temperature of 34 degrees at kickoff, today's game is the fourth-coldest Sun Bowl and coldest since the record of 24 degrees in 1983.

1. Dec. 24, 1983	Alabama 28, SMU 7	24 Degrees (Clear, Cold)
2. Jan. 1, 1947	Cincinnati 18, Virginia Tech 6	29 Degrees (Snow)
3. Dec. 28, 1974	Mississippi St. 26, North Carolina 24	30 Degrees (Snow)
4. Dec. 31, 2010	Notre Dame 33, Miami 17	34 Degrees (Clear, Cold)
5. Dec. 25, 1982	North Carolina 26, Texas 10	35 Degrees (Snow Flurries)
6. Dec. 25, 1987	Oklahoma St. 35, West Virginia 33	35 Degrees (Snow)
7. Jan. 1, 1937	Hardin-Simmons 34, UTEP 6	36 Degrees (Clear, Cold)
8. Dec. 24, 1993	Oklahoma 41, Texas Tech 1	38 Degrees (Clear, Sunny)
9. Dec. 30, 1989	Pittsburgh 31, Texas A&M	40 Degrees (Cloudy, Cool)
10. Dec. 24, 1966	Wyoming 28, Florida State 20	41 Degrees (Sunny, Clear)

TAILS IT IS

- ▶ Notre Dame had opened each of its first 11 games this season with the football. The Irish won the coin toss and elected to receive against Purdue, Michigan State, Stanford, Pittsburgh, Navy, Utah and Army. Notre Dame lost the coin toss against Michigan, Boston College, Western Michigan and Tulsa, but each opponent deferred to the second half.
- ▶ Notre Dame won the coin toss against USC, but elected to defer.
- ▶ Miami won the coin toss, but elected to defer. Thus, the Irish opened with the football in 12 of their 13 games in 2010.

DEFENSE AWFULLY STINGY AS OF LATE

- ▶ Notre Dame limited Miami to only 211 total yards and one touchdown over the first three quarters.
- ▶ In the last five contests, the Irish defense faced teams that were averaging 38 points (Tulsa), 41 (Utah), 31 (Army), 32 (USC) and Miami (27.1) per game, yet yielded only three offensive touchdowns, combined, to that quintet (excluding the Hurricanes two fourth-quarter TDs when the game was out of reach).
- ▶ Notre Dame held four opponents this season, Boston College (five yards), Western Michigan (37 yards), Utah (71 yards) and USC (74), to under 100 yards on the ground. The Irish have not held more than four opponents under 100 yards rushing in a game since the 2006.
- ▶ Notre Dame has limited Purdue, Stanford, Boston College, Pittsburgh, Western Michigan, Utah, Army, USC and Miami on the ground to significant worse numbers than those teams average against everyone else on the 2010 schedule.
- ▶ Miami entered the game averaging 190.4 yards per game on the ground and managed only 103 on 24 carries today. The 103 rushing yards are the second-fewest by the Hurricanes this season.

WINNING FORMULA PRETTY SIMPLE FOR IRISH

- ▶ Notre Dame has outrushed seven of its 13 opponents in 2010, including all four opponents to close the season. The Irish went 7-0 in those contests (Purdue, Boston College, Western Michigan, Utah, Army, USC and Miami). Notre Dame owns a 27-game winning streak when outrushing its opponent. The Irish have not lost a game when outrushing their foe since Dec. 28, 2004 when Notre Dame lost to Oregon State, 38-21, in the Insight Bowl.

NOTRE DAME IN DECEMBER (WIN)

- ▶ The Irish are 21-14-3 (.592) all-time in December.
- ▶ Notre Dame is 4-0-0 (1.000) in December home games.
- ▶ The Irish are 13-11-2 (.538) in road games during December.
- ▶ Notre Dame is 6-3-1 (.650) in December neutral games.
- ▶ The Irish are 5-3-0 (.625) in December bowl games.

JUST FOR STARTERS

- ▶ The following players extended active starting streaks last week: senior OG **Chris Stewart** 27, senior S **Harrison Smith** 25, junior DE **Kapron Lewis-Moore** 22, sophomore ILB **Manti Te'o** 22, senior DB **Gary Gray** 20, junior DE **Ethan Johnson** 16, senior DB **Darrin Walls** 16 and OG **Trevor Robinson** 16.

Michael Floyd, Jr., WR

- ▶ Floyd hauled in a three-yard touchdown reception from freshman QB Tommy Rees to give the Irish a 7-0 lead with 11:02 remaining in the first quarter. He accounted for 39 yards receiving on the drive, including a 36-yard catch on a critical third and 16 conversion.
- ▶ Floyd collected a 34-yard touchdown reception from Rees to give the Irish a 14-0 lead with 4:35 to go in the first first quarter. The touchdown catch was Floyd's 28th of his career, which broke Jeff Samardzija's previous school record of 27 career touchdown receptions.
- ▶ Floyd had now registered two or more touchdown catches in four games this season and seven times in his career.
- ▶ Floyd has 12 touchdown receptions this season, which ranks tied for fourth on the single-season list. Floyd is the third wideout in Notre Dame history to have two separate seasons rank in the top 10 for receiving touchdowns in a single season (joined Golden Tate and Jeff Samardzija).
- ▶ Floyd now has 28 career receiving touchdowns in just 30 games for Notre Dame. He ranks first on the all-time Notre Dame receiving touchdowns list (surpassed Jeff Samardzija, 27, 2007-09).

Touchdown Receptions – Season

1. Golden Tate	15 (2009)
Rhema McKnight	15 (2006)
Jeff Samardzija	15 (2005)
4. Michael Floyd	12 (2010)
Jeff Samardzija	12 (2006)
6. Derrick Mayes	11 (1994)
Maurice Stovall	11 (2005)
8. Golden Tate	10 (2008)
9. Michael Floyd	9 (2009)
Jack Snow	9 (1964)

Touchdown Receptions – Career

1. Michael Floyd	28 (2008-)
2. Jeff Samardzija	27 (2003-06)
Golden Tate	26 (2007-09)
4. Rhema McKnight	22 (2003-06)
Derrick Mayes	22 (1992-95)
6. Tom Gatewood	19 (1969-71)
7. Maurice Stovall	18 (2002-05)
8. Jim Seymour	16 (1966-68)
9. Ken MacAfee	15 (1974-77)
10. Tim Brown	12 (1984-87)
Bobby Brown	12 (1996-99)

- ▶ Floyd eclipsed the 100-yard receiving mark for the fourth time this season and 13th time in his career (which ranks tied for second all-time). He trails only Golden Tate (15, 2007-09).
- ▶ Floyd has played in 30 career games, and in two of them (at Navy in 2008 and vs. Michigan State in 2009) he missed most of the action following an injury. Yet, Floyd has 13 career 100-yard receiving games over the other 28 games played.

Games with 100 Yards - Season

1. Golden Tate, Jr.	9 (2009)
2. Tom Gatewood, Jr.	8 (1970)
3. Maurice Stovall, Sr.	6 (2005)
4. Michael Floyd, So.	5 (2009)
Golden Tate, So.	5 (2008)
Jeff Samardzija, Jr.	5 (2005)
7. Michael Floyd, Jr.	4 (2010)
Michael Floyd, Fr.	4 (2008)
Jeff Samardzija, Sr.	4 (2006)
Tom Gatewood, So.	4 (1969)

Games with 100 Yards - Career

1. Golden Tate	15 (2007-09)
2. Michael Floyd	13 (2008-)
Tom Gatewood	13 (1969-71)
4. Derrick Mayes	9 (1992-95)
Jeff Samardzija	9 (2003-06)
6. Maurice Stovall	7 (2002-05)
7. Jim Seymour	6 (1966-68)
Tim Brown	6 (1984-87)

- ▶ Floyd moved into sole possession of second place on Notre Dame's all-time receiving chart. His sixth catch today gave him 171 for his career. He passed Rhema McKnight (170, 2002-06). Floyd also moved into third place on the Irish all-time receiving yards list with 2,539. He passed Tim Brown (2493; 1984-87) and Derrick Mayes (2512; 1992-95).

Receiving Yards - Career

1. Golden Tate	2707 (2007-09)
2. Jeff Samardzija	2593 (2003-06)
3. Michael Floyd	2539 (2008-)
4. Derrick Mayes	2512 (1992-95)
5. Tim Brown	2493 (1984-87)
6. Tom Gatewood	2283 (1969-71)
7. Rhema McKnight	2277 (2002-06)
8. Maurice Stovall	2195 (2002-05)
9. Jim Seymour	2113 (1966-68)
10. Tony Hunter	1897 (1979-82)

Receptions - Career

1. Jeff Samardzija	179 (2003-06)
2. Michael Floyd	171 (2008-)
3. Rhema McKnight	170 (2002-06)
4. Golden Tate	157 (2007-09)
Tom Gatewood	157 (1969-71)
6. Jim Seymour	138 (1966-68)
7. Tim Brown	137 (1984-87)
8. Maurice Stovall	130 (2002-05)
9. Derrick Mayes	129 (1992-95)
10. Ken MacAfee	128 (1974-77)

Tommy Rees, Fr., QB

- ▶ Rees became the first freshman quarterback in Notre Dame history to ever lead the Irish to a victory in a bowl game. He is also the first-ever, first-year starter (regardless of class) to lead Notre Dame to a bowl game victory.
- ▶ Prior to Rees, freshmen or sophomore quarterbacks who are first-year starters at Notre Dame had a tough history in bowl games. From 1972 through 2004, they were 0-6 while averaging only 13 points per game.
- ▶ They include 1972 sophomore Tom Clements (40-6 to Nebraska), 1980 freshman Blair Kiel (17-10 to Georgia), 1990 sophomore Rick Mirer (10-9 to Colorado), 1994 sophomore Ron Powlus (41-24 to Colorado), 2000 freshman Matt LoVecchio (41-9 to Oregon State) and 2004 sophomore Brady Quinn (38-21 to Oregon State). However, all but Quinn played a top-5 team.
- ▶ Jimmy Clausen was a sophomore QB in 2008 when the Irish crushed Hawaii 49-21 in the Sheraton Hawaii Bowl, but it was Clausen's second season as a starter, not first.
- ▶ Rees completed his first six passes of the afternoon, including a pair of touchdowns to Floyd.
- ▶ Rees set a single-season freshman school record with 12 touchdown passes in 2010. He also established a single-season freshman record in completions percentage (.610). Rees ranks among the top-five in the following categories for Irish freshman quarterbacks.

Single-Season Freshman Quarterback Records

Completions

1.	Brady Quinn	157 (2003)
2.	Jimmy Clausen	119 (2007)
3.	Tommy Rees	100 (2010)
4.	Steve Beuerlein	75 (1983)
5.	Matt LoVecchio	73 (2000)

Yards

1.	Brady Quinn	1,831 (2003)
2.	Tommy Rees	1,106 (2010)
3.	Steve Beuerlein	1,061 (1983)
4.	Jimmy Clausen	1,058 (2007)
5.	Matt LoVecchio	980 (2000)

Touchdowns

1.	Tommy Rees	12 (2010)
2.	Matt LoVecchio	11 (2000)
3.	Brady Quinn	9 (2003)
4.	Jimmy Clausen	7 (2007)
5.	Steve Beuerlein	4 (1983)

Completion Percentage (min. 100 attempts)

1.	Tommy Rees	.610 (100-of-164)	2010
2.	Matt LoVecchio	.584 (73-of-125)	2000
3.	Jimmy Clausen	.559 (119-of-213)	2007
4.	Steve Beuerlein	.517 (75-of-145)	1983
5.	Brady Quinn	.473 (157-of-332)	2003

Passing Efficiency (min. 100 attempts)

1.	Matt LoVecchio	151.70 (2000)
2.	Tommy Rees	132.70 (2010)
3.	Steve Beuerlein	114.02 (1983)
4.	Jimmy Clausen	103.74 (2007)
5.	Brady Quinn	93.53 (2003)

David Ruffer, Sr., PK

- ▶ Ruffer connected on a 40-yard field goal with 4:50 remaining in the second quarter to give the Irish a 24-0 lead over Miami. He added a 50-yard field goal with 0:27 left before halftime to extend Notre Dame's lead to 27-0. Ruffer added a third field goal with 7:12 left in the third quarter to give the Irish a 30-3 advantage.
- ▶ Ruffer missed from 36 yards late in the third quarter. It was his first-ever missed field goal.
- ▶ Ruffer had converted 23 consecutive field goals. The 23 straight field goals was the longest streak in school history, but even more amazing was the fact that the streak opened Ruffer's collegiate kicking career.
- ▶ Prior to the miss, Ruffer was the only kicker in the FBS in 2010 still perfect in field goal attempts. He also was the only kicker in the FBS still perfect for his career. Ruffer still leads all active kickers in field goal percentage.

- ▶ Ruffer's 23 straight field goals was the longest active streak in the FBS. The NCAA record for consecutive field goals converted is 30 by Chuck Nelson of Washington in 1981-82. He also holds the NCAA record for consecutive field goals made in a single season (25, 1982).
- ▶ Ruffer's 18 straight field goals in one season is an Irish school record.
- ▶ Ruffer's 18 field goals rank as the third-most in single-season school history.
- ▶ Ruffer's 12 kicking points this afternoon are a Notre Dame bowl record. His three field goals also equals another single-game Notre Dame bowl record (Scott Cengia had three in the 1997 Independence Bowl).
- ▶ Ruffer's 50-yard field goal is tied for the sixth-longest in school history. Ruffer became the second Irish place kicker to ever register multiple field goals of 50 yards or longer in the same season. Harry Oliver had a pair of 50+ yard kicks in 1980. He also became the third kicker in school history to connect on multiple field goals of 50 yards or longer in his career.

Longest Field Goals In Notre Dame History

1.	Dave Reeve (Pittsburgh, 1976)	53
2.	Nicholas Setta (Maryland, 2002)	51
	John Carney (SMU, 1984)	51
	Harry Oliver (Michigan, 1980)	51
	Dave Reeve (Michigan State, 1977)	51
6.	David Ruffer (Miami, Fla., 2010)	50
	David Ruffer (Pittsburgh, 2010)	50
	D.J. Fitzpatrick (Syracuse, 2003)	50
	Harry Oliver (Georgia, 1980)	50
	Harry Oliver (Navy, 1980)	50

Harrison Smith, Sr., S

- ▶ Smith collected three interceptions in the first half alone. The three interceptions not only equals a school record, but is also equaled the Sun Bowl record. Smith became 14th Notre Dame player to accomplish that, the last being Shane Walton versus Maryland in 2002. Buddy McClinton of Auburn had three interceptions in the 1968 Sun Bowl.
- ▶ Smith's three interceptions is an Irish bowl game record. It bested Elmer Layden's school record of two picks set against Stanford in the 1925 Rose Bowl.
- ▶ Smith now ranks third nationally in interceptions with seven and only two other players have intercepted three passes in a single-game this year – Jayron Hosley from Virginia Tech and Marco Nelson of Tulsa.
- ▶ The seven interceptions not only rank tied for the sixth-most in school history, but are the most for an Irish player since Walton had seven in 2002.

Interceptions - Season

1.	Mike Townsend	10 (1972)
2.	Tom MacDonald	9 (1962)
3.	Angelo Bertelli	8 (1942)
	Tony Carey	8 (1964)
	Todd Lyght	8 (1989)
6.	Harrison Smith	7 (2010)
	Tom Schoen	7 (1966)
	Clarence Ellis	7 (1970)
	Dave Duerson	7 (1982)
	Shane Walton	7 (2002)

Manti Te'o, So., LB

- ▶ Te'o finished the afternoon with six tackles and ended 2010 with 133 total stops. He ended the season just outside the top-10 in single-season school history.

Tackles - Season

1.	Bob Crable	187 (1979)
2.	Bob Crable	167 (1981)
3.	Steve Heimkreiter	160 (1978)
4.	Bob Crable	154 (1980)
5.	Bob Golic	152 (1978)
6.	Tony Furjanic	147 (1985)
7.	Bob Golic	146 (1977)
8.	Greg Collins	144 (1974)
9.	Tony Furjanic	142 (1983)
10.	Jim Carroll	140 (1964)
--	Manti Te'o	133 (2010)

Cierre Wood, So., RB

► Wood scampered 34 yards with 13:21 remaining in the first half to give the Irish a 21-0 lead. The 34 yard TD run was the third longest run of the season by an Irish back (39 by Wood for a TD vs. Western Michigan and Jonas Gray's 36 vs. Utah).