

# 2002 Final Depth Chart

## Notre Dame Offense

<b>WR</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>OMAR JENKINS **</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>204</b>
	21	MAURICE STOVALL*	6-5	205
	18	RONNIE RODAMER *	6-4	206
	82	<i>Bernard Akatu **</i>	5-9	193
	81	<i>NATE SCHOMAS</i>	5-10	160
LT	78	Jordan Black ***	6-6	305
	70	JIM MOLINARO*	6-6	297
	73	MARK LEVOIR	6-7	309
LG	79	Sean Mahan ****	6-3	285
	67	Ryan Gillis **	6-3	305
	69	DARIN MITCHELL	6-3	280
C	52	Jeff Faine ***	6-3	298
	72	Ryan Scarola ****	6-5	310
	55	ZACHARY GILES	6-3	281
<b>RG</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>SEAN MILLIGAN **</b>	<b>6-4</b>	<b>300</b>
	74	DAN STEVENSON *	6-5	292
	71	<i>DAVID KOWALSKI</i>	6-2	249
RT	63	Brennan Curtin **	6-8	305
	70	JIM MOLINARO *	6-6	297
<b>TE</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>GARY GODSEY ***</b>	<b>6-6</b>	<b>259</b>
	85	BILLY PALMER *	6-4	251
	1	JARED CLARK *	6-4	228
	83	Matt Root	6-6	258
	87	<i>PATRICK NALLY</i>	6-3	246
WR	3	Arnaz Battle *****	6-1	213
	6	CARLOS CAMPBELL *	5-11	194
or 5		RHEMA McKNIGHT *	6-2	190
	82	MATT SHELTON *	5-11	172
	84	<i>MICHAEL O'HARA</i>	5-10	175
<b>QB</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>CARLYLE HOLIDAY **</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>218</b>
	9	PAT DILLINGHAM *	6-1	209
	2	<i>Dan Novakov *</i>	6-1	218
FB	36	Tom Lopienski ****	6-1	245
	47	Mike McNair **	6-0	237
	23	Chris Yura ****	6-0	220
	26	<i>JOSH SCHMIDT</i>	6-1	207
	28	<i>COLE LAUX</i>	5-10	236
	27	<i>MIKE PROFETA</i>	5-11	208
<b>RB</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>RYAN GRANT **</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>211</b>
	43	RASHON POWERS-NEAL *	6-2	224
	11	MARCUS WILSON *	5-11	199
	35	Tim O'Neill **	5-6	172

## Notre Dame Defense

<b>LE</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>KYLE BUDINCAK **</b>	<b>6-4</b>	<b>280</b>
	90	BRIAN BEIDATSCH *	6-4	275
<b>DT</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>DARRELL CAMPBELL ***</b>	<b>6-4</b>	<b>296</b>
	77	GREG PAULY *	6-6	300
<b>NG</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>CEDRIC HILLIARD **</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>290</b>
	77	GREG PAULY **	6-6	300
	91	JEFF THOMPSON	6-4	273
	54	Jason Halvorson *	6-1	246
RE	95	Ryan Roberts ****	6-2	258
	44	JUSTIN TUCK *	6-5	238
	99	JASON SAPP	6-3	249
<b>ILB</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>MIKE GOOLSEY ***</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>243</b>
	2	Carlos Pierre-Antoine ***	6-3	245
	46	COREY MAYS *	6-1	235
<b>ILB</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>COURTNEY WATSON ***</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>232</b>
	39	BRANDON HOYTE *	6-0	226
	56	Patrick Ryan **	6-3	231
<b>OLB</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>DEREK CURRY **</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>233</b>
	48	JEROME COLLINS *	6-4	256
	57	Justin Thomas	6-1	243
	61	<i>Charles Hedman *</i>	6-1	215
<b>LCB</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>VONTEZ DUFF ***</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>194</b>
	15	PRESTON JACKSON **	5-9	176
<b>FS</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>GLENN EARL ***</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>205</b>
	29	QUENTIN BURRELL *	6-0	179
SS	20	Gerome Sapp ****	6-0	218
	26	GARRON BIBLE **	5-10	197
	27	LIONEL BOLEN *	6-0	195
	24	Chad DeBolt ***	6-0	202
RCB	42	Shane Walton ****	5-11	185
	37	DWIGHT ELLICK **	5-10	179

## Notre Dame Specialists

<b>KO</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>NICHOLAS SETTA ***</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>177</b>	HLD	35	David Miller **	5-11	210
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<b>PK</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>NICHOLAS SETTA ***</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>177</b>	SNP	53	John Crowther ***	6-2	239
	35	David Miller **	5-11	210		68	<i>Ed O'Connell *</i>	6-3	212
P	17	Joey Hildbold ****	5-10	191	<b>PR/KR</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>VONTEZ DUFF ***</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>194</b>
	13	NICHOLAS SETTA ***	5-11	177		3	Arnaz Battle *****	6-1	213
	19	<i>D.J. FITZPATRICK</i>	6-1	192		42	Shane Walton ****	5-11	185

\* Includes every player who played one second or more in 2002. Returnees in all caps. Bold indicates starters returning. Italics indicates walk-on members of the squad.



# Irish Head Coach Tyrone Willingham



Tyrone Willingham, a veteran of 25 seasons of coaching experience at the collegiate and professional levels, is in his second season as the head football coach at the University of Notre Dame after serving as the leader at Stanford for seven seasons.

Willingham used his years of service to reverse the tides of the Irish program, leading Notre Dame to a 10-2 regular-season record in '02 and a trip to the 2003 Gator Bowl in Jacksonville, Fla.

Willingham became the only first-year coach in Notre Dame history to win 10 games in his initial campaign. In Notre Dame's "Return to Glory," Willingham was rewarded for his efforts when he was named the Home Depot College Coach of the Year, Scripps College Coach of the Year and the George Munger Award College Coach of the Year by the Maxwell Football Club.

Willingham also made history when he became the first college football coach to be named The Sporting News Sportsman of the Year in 2002. Willingham joined the likes of such sporting greats as Curt Schilling (2001), Michael Jordan (1991), Joe Montana (1989), Wayne Gretzky (1981) and John Wooden (1970).

Willingham's team started fast out of the gate in 2002 as the Irish won their first eight games, including defeating ranked opponents Maryland (No. 21/20), Michigan (No. 7/6), Air Force (No. 18/15) and Florida State (No. 11/13). Notre Dame's four wins over ranked opponents tied them for the most victories over top 25 teams in the nation along with Miami during the regular season. Notre Dame also achieved its first top 10 ranking since 1999, topping out at No. 4.

He also coached four All-Americans in 2002 as cornerback Shane Walton was Notre Dame's first consensus All-American in 10 years and was one of five finalists for the Bronko Nagurski Award given to the nation's top defensive

player. Center Jeff Faine was also a first-team All-American as deemed by The Sporting News and ESPN.com. Faine was the runner-up for the 2002 Rimington Trophy given to the nation's top center and looks to be a first-round draft pick in the upcoming NFL draft. Linebacker Courtney Watson was named a first-team All-American by ESPN.com and was one of three finalists for the Butkus Award given to the nation's outstanding linebacker. Vontez Duff earned third-team All-America honors from the Associated Press for his efforts as a cornerback and kick returner.

Stanford running backs coach from 1989-91 under head coach Dennis Green, Willingham returned to Stanford as head coach Nov. 28, 1994, replacing legendary professional and college coach Bill Walsh. In seven years in Palo Alto, Willingham took the Cardinal to four bowl games, the 1999 Pacific-10 Conference championship and the school's first Rose Bowl appearance in 28 years. Willingham twice was honored by his peers as the Pac-10 Coach of the Year (1995 and 1999) - and ranks as the only Stanford coach to earn that honor more than once.

His 2001 Stanford team produced the

best record of his seven seasons, with a 9-3 overall mark, a berth in the Seattle Bowl and final regular-season rankings of ninth in the Bowl Championship Series poll and 11th in both the Associated Press and ESPN/USA Today polls.

The '01 Cardinal went 6-2 in Pac-10 play, good for a three-way tie for second place. It marked only the second time in 50 years a Stanford team won nine regular-season games, as three Cardinal players won first-team All-America honors for the first time since 1973. Stanford led the Pac-10 in '01 in scoring (37.1 per game), total offense (451.5 yards per game), rushing offense (201 yards per game) and rushing defense (109.6 yards per game). The Cardinal finished 17-7 in Pac-10 action from '99 through '01.

"For the last seven years, Tyrone led the program with the highest academic profile in all of major college football, and over that time he won two conference coach-of-the-year awards and took his teams to four bowl games," said Notre Dame director of athletics Kevin White when Willingham was introduced on Jan. 1, 2002, as the new Irish coach.

"I spoke to a great many people about Tyrone - and every one of them regards



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him as one of the very top coaches in the game today - at the college or pro levels. They regard the job he did at Stanford as simply amazing.

"To the people at the NCAA, he's a man of impeccable integrity; to the recruiting gurus, he's among the very best at attracting talent even when maintaining the highest SAT scores in the nation. He's a disciplinarian whose players love him. He left one of the great universities and one of the great athletic programs in this country to be part of Notre Dame."

In the 2001 NCAA Graduation Rate Report, Stanford recorded an 83 percent football graduation rate, good for fourth in the nation among Division I institutions, based on football student-athletes who enrolled between 1991 and 1994 (allowing six years for graduation). In other recent NCAA reports involving football, Stanford ranked second in 2000 (83 percent) and fourth in '99 (81). Stanford and Notre Dame historically rank among the national leaders annually in all the major categories, including all student-athletes, football players, plus male, female and African-American student-athletes.

In 1999, Willingham led the Cardinal to an 8-4 overall record, a 7-1 mark in conference play, the first Pac-10 championship for Stanford since 1971 and Stanford's first Rose Bowl appearance since January 1, 1972. He was a finalist for national-coach-of-the-year honors and was named the American Football Coaches Association Region 5 Coach of the Year.

He led the Cardinal to consecutive bowl games in his first two seasons ('95 Liberty, '96 Sun) at Stanford, becoming only the third Stanford football coach to accomplish that feat (Walsh was one of the other two, in '77 and '78). Willingham also became the first coach since Walsh to have back-to-back winning seasons in his first two years at Stanford. He is the only coach in school history to guide Stanford to four bowl game appearances.

His first Cardinal team went 7-4-1 in '95 en route to earning a berth in the Liberty Bowl, while his second team in 1996 finished 7-5 after beating Michigan State 38-0 in the Sun Bowl.

In 1996, Willingham and Stanford wound up winning their final four games of the regular season to finish 6-5 overall and 5-3 in the Pac-10, good for third place. A 38-0 win over Michigan State in the Sun Bowl, Stanford's first shutout since 1974, gave Willingham's team a 7-5 final record.

In his first season as the Cardinal head coach, Willingham turned a 3-7-1 team in '94 into a 7-4-1 bowl team in 1995. Prior to the '95 season, Stanford had been



picked to finish last in the Pac-10. But, after the Cardinal's fourth-place league finish, conference coaches voted Willingham their 1995 Pac-10 Coach of the Year. It was the first time a Cardinal head coach had been selected for that honor since Walsh in 1977. Willingham also was selected the National Coach of the Year by the Black Coaches Association in 1995 and '96.

Willingham, a finalist for national-coach-of-the-year honors in '95, began his career by going 4-0-1 in his first five games, marking the best Stanford start in 44 years (the 1951 team won its first five games). His career record of 54-39-1, included a 44-36-1 mark at Stanford.

He came to South Bend no stranger to Notre Dame football, thanks to a 3-2 record versus the Irish as Stanford's head coach. His teams also faced Notre Dame eight other times during his tenures as an assistant at Stanford, Michigan State and Rice. Before coming to Notre Dame he made six Notre Dame Stadium appearances as a coach (the '90 Cardinal team for which he served as an assistant knocked off the Irish 36-31 when Notre Dame was ranked number one in the country), in addition to his appearances against Notre Dame from his playing days at Michigan State. Playing against the Irish as a senior in '76, he carried three times for 37 yards, had two kick-

off returns for 24 yards and two punt returns for 27 yards in the 24-6 Notre Dame victory.

Like his two Stanford predecessors - Walsh and Green - Willingham had previously served as a Cardinal assistant coach before being named head coach. He was Stanford's running backs coach under Green from 1989-91 before moving with Green to the Minnesota Vikings, where he again coached running backs from 1992-94.

Willingham was an assistant coach on the collegiate and professional levels for 18 years prior to his appointment as Stanford's head coach. During his career as an assistant, he coached on offense, defense and special teams.

A 1977 graduate of Michigan State University, Willingham coached under Green for six seasons, three at Stanford and three with the Vikings. In Minnesota, Willingham helped the Vikings return to prominence as one of the top teams in the National Football League. The Vikings finished 8-8 in 1991, the year before Willingham arrived with Green in Minnesota. In his three seasons in Minnesota, Willingham helped the Vikings win two National Football Conference Central Division championships and advance to the playoffs all three seasons.

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## The Tyrone Willingham File

Year	School/Team	Assignment
1977	Michigan State (7-3-1)	Graduate Assistant
1978	Central Michigan (9-2)	Secondary
1979	Central Michigan (10-0-1)	Secondary
1980	Michigan State	Secondary, Special Teams
1981	Michigan State	Secondary, Special Teams
1982	Michigan State	Secondary, Special Teams
1983	North Carolina State	Secondary, Special Teams
1984	North Carolina State	Secondary, Special Teams
1985	North Carolina State	Secondary, Special Teams
1986	Rice	Receivers, Special Teams
1987	Rice	Receivers, Special Teams
1988	Rice	Receivers, Special Teams
1989	Stanford	Running Backs
1990	Stanford	Running Backs
1991	Stanford (8-4, Aloha Bowl)	Running Backs
1992	Minnesota Vikings (11-5, NFC Central champ)	Running Backs
1993	Minnesota Vikings (9-7, wild-card playoffs)	Running Backs
1994	Minnesota Vikings (10-6, NFC Central champ)	Running Backs
1995	Stanford (7-4-1, Liberty Bowl)	Head Coach
1996	Stanford (7-5, Sun Bowl)	Head Coach
1997	Stanford (5-6)	Head Coach
1998	Stanford (3-8)	Head Coach
1999	Stanford (8-4, Rose Bowl)	Head Coach
2000	Stanford (5-6)	Head Coach
2001	Stanford (9-3, Seattle Bowl)	Head Coach
2002	Notre Dame (10-3, Gator Bowl)	Head Coach

**Totals as Head Coach — 54-39-1 (.586) in eight seasons**

ished 11-5 and won the NFC Central Division championship. Willingham's top pupil that season, Terry Allen, set a club record by rushing for 1,201 yards. In 1993, Minnesota finished 9-7 and earned a wildcard playoff berth. The Vikings won the division title again in '94 and earned another playoff berth with a 10-6 record.

While at Stanford (1989-91), Willingham was part of Green's staff that helped turn the program around. The Cardinal went from 3-8 in '89, to 8-4 in 1991. The '91 season culminated with a berth in the Aloha Bowl, Stanford's first post-season appearance in five seasons.

The '91 squad won its final seven regular-season games to finish 8-3 overall, 6-2 in the Pac-10. It was Stanford's best season in five years and first bowl appearance since the 1986 Gator Bowl.

Willingham coached two of the top running backs in Stanford football history during his brief tenure as a Cardinal assistant: Glyn Milburn and Tommy Vardell. Vardell was a first-round NFL pick following the '91 campaign. Milburn is the fifth leading all-time rusher in Stanford history with 2,178 yards and he is second in the Cardinal record book in all-purpose running with a three-year total of 5,857 yards.

Vardell, meanwhile, is sixth all-time at Stanford in rushing with 1,789 yards and first in touchdowns with 37.

Vardell in '91 set a Stanford single-season record for rushing (1,084 yards) and TDs (20) while being named the Academic All-American of the Year. Milburn, who set a Stanford record for all-purpose running in 1990 with Willingham as his coach (2,222 yards), went on to earn first-team All-America honors as an all-purpose player in 1992.

After graduating from Michigan State in 1977, Willingham continued with the Spartan program as a graduate assistant in '77 under head coach Darryl Rogers. In '78-'79, Willingham was the defensive secondary coach at Central Michigan University (current Notre Dame director of athletics Kevin White was a member of the Chippewa track coaching staff at that time), with those teams finishing 9-2 and 10-0-1, respectively.

From 1980-82, Willingham was the defensive secondary and special teams coach at Michigan State University under head coach Muddy Waters. He moved to North Carolina State University for three seasons (1983-85), where he again coached special teams and the defensive secondary under head coach Tom Reed.

Prior to accepting the position as running backs coach at Stanford under Green, Willingham coached receivers and special teams at Rice University from 1986-88.

Upon his arrival at Stanford in 1995, Willingham took an active role in both campus and community activities. He was a board member for OICW (Opportunities

Industrialization Center West) and is a former National Advisory Board Member for the Haas Center for Public Service at Stanford. He is a member of the American Football Coaches Association rules committee and a speaker for American Football Quarterly University, and other coaching clinics.

For his commitment to community service, Willingham was honored with the 2000 Eddie Robinson Coach of Distinction Award. The award is presented to a college football coach nationwide for career achievement and his outstanding service as a role model.

A walk-on in both football and baseball at Michigan State, Willingham went on to earn three letters in each sport. As a quarterback and flanker in football, he was named the team's most inspirational player in 1976. In 1977, Willingham was awarded the Big Ten Conference Medal of Honor as the outstanding scholar-athlete in the league. In baseball, he received the sportsmanship award in 1975 and was an all-Big Ten selection in '77.

Born Lionel Tyrone Willingham on Dec. 30, 1953, in Kinston, N.C. (he graduated from Jacksonville High School in Jacksonville, N.C.), Willingham earned his degree in physical education with a minor in health education from Michigan State. He and his wife, Kim, have three children: Cassidy (born 1/10/84), who is a gymnast at the University of Denver, Kelsey (born 5/9/88) and Nathaniel (born 7/9/90).



# Assistant Coach Kent Baer



Kent Baer is in his second season as the defensive coordinator at Notre Dame after serving for seven years under Tyrone Willingham at Stanford, including the last three as defensive coordinator.

It did not take long to see Baer's defense prosper in 2002 as the Irish finished ninth in scoring defense (16.69), 10th in the nation in pass efficiency (98.24) and rushing defense (95.23), 13th in total defense (300.00) and 46th in passing defense (204.77).

Baer was also instrumental in coaching three All-Americans and two major award finalists in '02. Cornerback Shane Walton was named a consensus first-team All-American (the first since 1993 for the Irish) and was a finalist for the Bronko Nagurski Award given to the nation's outstanding defensive player. Linebacker Courtney Watson was named a first-team All-American by ESPN.com and was a finalist for the Butkus Award given to the country's best linebacker. Cornerback/kick returner Vontez Duff was named a third-team All-American by the Associated Press.

For his efforts, Baer was named a finalist for the Frank Broyles Award, given to the nation's most outstanding assistant coach, for the first time in his career.

Baer, who also coached the linebackers while at Stanford, came to Stanford in '95 after serving as a defensive coordinator for 12 seasons at Arizona State, California and Utah State.

In 2001, Baer's Cardinal defense led the Pac-10 in rushing defense for only the second time in school history. The Cardinal only gave up 109.6 yards per game on the ground last season.

While at Stanford, Baer coached some of the finest defensive players in school history, including recent graduates Riall Johnson and Willie Howard. Johnson, an outside linebacker, became the first player in Pac-10 history to lead the league in sacks in back-to-back seasons (1999-2000), while Howard, a defensive end,

became only the fourth defensive lineman in school history to earn first-team all-Pac-10 honors in consecutive seasons. Other defensive greats who have played under Baer are inside linebacker Chris Draft, currently with the Atlanta Falcons and DE Kailee Wong, a member of the Houston Texans.

Baer, who was the defensive coordinator and inside linebackers coach at Arizona State for three seasons (1992-94) prior to coming to Stanford, is a 29-year veteran of the coaching ranks. He has coached at the University of California (1987-91), University of Idaho (1986), Utah State University (1977-85) and with the Yokosuka Seahawks (a United States Navy team) from 1973-76.

Baer worked under head coach Bruce Snyder for 14 years; six at Utah State, five at California and three at Arizona State. His Sun Devil defense in 1992 allowed just 268.8 yards per game, and was ranked seventh in the nation. All-Americans Shante Carver, Craig Newsome and Brett Wallerstedt were all mainstays on Baer's Arizona State defense.

Prior to moving to Arizona State, Baer was Cal's defensive coordinator for five seasons. He was part of Snyder's staff that led the Bears to a 17-6-1 record in 1990 and '91 with victories in the Copper Bowl (1990) and Citrus Bowl (1991). Baer helped lead Cal to a 10-2 record and a No. 8 national ranking in '91.

In his one season at Idaho, Baer was the defensive coordinator for a Vandals team that went 8-4 and earned a berth in the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs. Another member of that staff, Bill Diedrick, rejoined Baer on both the Cardinal and Irish coaching staffs later.

At Utah State, Baer coached outside linebackers for six seasons (1977-82) before becoming the defensive coordinator and secondary coach for three years (1983-85). In two of his three years as defensive coordinator, the Aggies led the conference in total defense.

Baer also brings an international coaching flavor to Stanford, having served as the head coach of the Yokosuka Seahawks (United States Navy) team in Japan for four

years (1973-76) before returning to his alma mater of Utah State. While coaching in Japan, he was the athletic and recreation director for the entire United States Navy there, including the Seventh Fleet, with over 100 employees working under him.

For the past 12 years, Baer has coached and coordinated the Heisei Bowl in Nishinomiya, Japan. The game features two of the best Japanese college football teams from the Osaka area and 12 college players from the United States. Each team receives six players and two coaches from an American college team.

Baer was a standout linebacker at Utah State (1969-72), where he lettered for four straight seasons. He broke the school record for tackles with 116 in 1972, a mark that stood for 10 seasons. He graduated in 1973 with a degree in physical education and recreation. Baer enjoyed a fine prep career at Sky View High School in Smithfield, Utah.

A native of Logan, Utah, Baer was born May 2, 1951. He has three sons: Brian, who was a graduate assistant coach at Stanford, Aaron James (A.J.) and Steven Blake. Brian, who will receive his masters degree in engineering in June, and his wife Kristen, live in Palo Alto. Baer is engaged to Frances Locke.



# Assistant Coach Bill Diedrick



After serving as Stanford's offensive coordinator for four seasons, Bill Diedrick is in his second season as Notre Dame's offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach. A veteran coach of over 30 years, Diedrick brings a high powered offensive attack and plenty of past success to the Irish system.

The 2002 season was no different as the Irish exploded to a 10-3 record and a final ranking of 16th. Quarterback Carlyle Holiday made tremendous strides in picking up the west coast offense, throwing for a career-high 1,788 yards in '02, which was only 65 yards away from 10th on the single-season Notre Dame record list. Holiday threw 10 touchdowns and only five interceptions in '02, including tying a Notre Dame record with four TD passes against Rutgers in the final home game in '02. Holiday also set a Notre Dame record for pass attempts without an interception at 126.

Notre Dame also had great success running the ball as Ryan Grant became only the seventh player in Notre Dame history to gain over 1,000 yards in a season. Receiver Arnaz Battle also had a career year pulling in 58 passes which put him third on the single-season list.

During his four years at Stanford, Diedrick guided the Cardinal to unparalleled offensive success. Stanford averaged 30.4 points and 422.4 total yards a game during his tenure - including 37.1 points (tops in the Pacific-10 and ninth in the nation) and 451.5 total yards (first in the Pac-10, 10th nationally) in 2001.

Diedrick's offense rewrote the Stanford record books in '99 as it set school records for points in a season with 409, breaking the old record of 366 set over 50 years ago in 1949. The Cardinal also broke the record for total offense in a season with 5,138 yards, besting the old record of 4,919 set in 1969. The Cardinal put 30 or more points on the scoreboard nine times in 1999, and 40 or more on five occasions. Stanford also produced the Pac-10 Offensive Player of the Year and Biletnikoff Award winner in wide receiver Troy Walters, as well as first-team all-Pac-10 quarterback Todd Husak. The Cardinal finished

the regular season ranked among the top 10 in the nation in scoring offense (sixth at 37.2 points per game), total offense (fifth at 467.09 yards) and passing offense (10th at 313.5 yards a game).

In his first season at Stanford in 1998, Diedrick's offense became the second most prolific passing attack in school history. Under his tutelage, the Cardinal threw for 3,516 yards, while Husak became only the third quarterback in school history to throw for over 3,000 yards in a season when he totaled 3,092.

Before coming to Stanford, Diedrick served as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Washington in 1994 and '95 and the quarterbacks coach in '96 and '97.

In 1995, the Huskies offense ranked among the school's all-time top five in total offense, total yards per game and yards per play.

Diedrick also developed two of the top young quarterbacks in college football in Damon and Brock Huard. Damon became Washington's all-time leader in passing and total yards, while Brock set records in '96 as the top freshman quarterback in Washington history, and in 1997, he ranked seventh in the nation in passing efficiency.

Prior to his appointment at Washington, Diedrick coached in the Canadian Football League with the Edmonton Eskimos (1991-92), where he was the offensive coordinator. He also coached quarterbacks, receivers and running backs during his two-year stint with the Eskimos. Diedrick's '91 team won the Western Division championship, while scoring 671 points and accumulating over 8,000 yards in total offense.

Diedrick's first tour of duty in the Pac-10 was as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Washington State from 1989-90. There, he coached Drew Bledsoe, the eventual No. 1 pick of the 1990 National Football League draft. Diedrick's 1989 Cougars offense led the Pac-10 and was 10th nationally in total offense, while Bledsoe was the nation's top-rated quarterback in passing efficiency.

Diedrick coached the quarterbacks and receivers while serving as offensive coordinator at Idaho from 1986-88. During that time, he coached future NFL starting quarterback John Friesz, who was twice named the Big Sky Player of the Year and an All-American. In '88, Idaho won its second straight Big

Sky championship and was ranked first in the nation.

From 1984-85, Diedrick was the assistant head coach, offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Montana State. His offenses broke 36 school records, eight league records and six NCAA 1-AA playoff records while his quarterback earned Big Sky Player of the Year honors. In 1984, Montana State won the NCAA Division I-AA national championship.

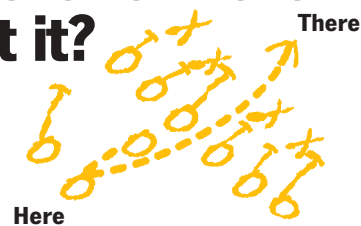
Diedrick was the assistant head coach and offensive coordinator at Whitworth College in Spokane, Wash., from 1982-83, head coach at Spokane Rogers High School from 1976-81, assistant coach at Ferris High in Spokane from 1971-75 and a graduate assistant at the University of Hawaii in 1970.

Diedrick graduated from Eastern Washington University in Cheney, Wash., in 1970 with bachelor's degrees in physical therapy and physical education. He earned a master's degree in education from Hawaii in 1971.

He was a four-year letterman at Eastern Washington in both baseball and football, earning NAIA All-America honors in football in 1967, while leading Eastern to the national finals. He was also an honorable mention All-America in baseball.

Born Oct. 21, 1946 in Spokane, Wash., Diedrick is married to the former Wendy Watson. He is the father of three sons: Mathew, Justin and Joey.

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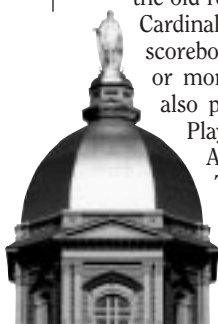
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# Assistant Coach Mike Denbrock



Mike Denbrock is in his second season coaching the offensive line at Notre Dame. He joins John McDonnell in coaching the line, concentrating on the tackles and tight ends. Denbrock served in the same capacity at Stanford during the 2001 season.

Notre Dame's offensive tackles and tight ends were a main reason the Irish boasted only their seventh 1,000-yard rusher in school history in Ryan Grant. Grant also recorded the 12th-best single-game rushing day with his 190 yards vs. Air Force.

In '01, Denbrock helped lead the way for a Stanford rushing attack which ranked 23rd in the nation in 2001, averaging over 200

yards a game and scoring 27 touchdowns.

Before coming to Stanford, Denbrock was the assistant head coach, defensive coordinator and offensive and defensive line coach for the Buffalo Destroyers of the Arena Football League in both 1999 and 2000. In their second year in the league, Denbrock helped the Destroyers land a playoff berth in 2000. His '99 defense finished third in the league in both scoring and total defense.

Prior to his two years in Buffalo, Denbrock coached at his alma mater, Grand Valley State (1992-98), Illinois State (1990-91) and Michigan State (1988-89).

At NCAA Division II Grand Valley State, Denbrock was the offensive coordinator and defensive coordinator at different times during his seven years (1992-98) in Allendale, Mich. He was the offensive coordinator, quarterbacks and wide receivers coach from 1992-95, then switched to the defensive side of the ball, where he was the coordinator and linebackers coach from '96-'98.

Denbrock's defense at Grand Valley State ranked among the nation's top 30 in total defense, scoring defense and rush defense from 1996-98. His '96 defense led the Midwest Intercollegiate Football Conference and was 11th nationally in

scoring defense while also leading the conference in total defense. As the offensive coordinator, Denbrock's squad was first in the MIFC in both total and scoring offense from 1992-94.

In '95, his offense ranked eighth in the nation in scoring and 12th in total offense. Eight of his players earned first-team All-America honors during his seven-years at Grand Valley State. All told, Denbrock has coached nine first-team All-Americans and several others who have gone on to professional football, including four NFL players.

Following four seasons as a graduate assistant at both Michigan State ('88-'89) and Grand Valley State ('86-'87), Denbrock's first full-time coaching assignment came in 1990 and '91 as the tackles and tight ends coach at Illinois State, an NCAA Division I-AA team.

A 1986 graduate of Grand Valley State, Denbrock holds a bachelor's degree in communication. As a member of Grand Valley State football team from 1982-85, Denbrock won the Phillip Shultz Award for attitude and commitment to the football program as a senior.

Born Jan. 29, 1964, in Albion, Mich., Denbrock was married to the former Dianne Swanson in July 2002.

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# Assistant Coach John McDonell



Offensive line coach John McDonell is in his second season with the Irish after coaching the same position at Stanford in 2001. McDonell concentrates on centers and guards with the Irish and works in conjunction with Mike Denbrock, who coaches the tackles and tight ends.

McDonell brought his extensive knowledge to the Irish centers and guards and helped coach first-team All-American and Rimington Award runner-up Jeff Faine. Faine was named a first-team All-American by The Sporting News and ESPN.com.

McDonell and the Irish offensive line were instrumental in developing only the seventh 1,000-yard rusher in school history in Ryan Grant. Grant also recorded the 12th-best single-game rushing day with his 190 yards vs. Air Force. Grant and Rashon Powers-Neal also became the first running back tandem to record 100-yards rushing

in the same game (vs. Stanford) since 1977.

A long-time veteran of the Pacific-10 Conference, McDonell joined the Cardinal staff on Jan. 19, 2001. His impact was immediately felt as the Cardinal ranked 23rd nationally in rushing last season, averaging over 200 yards a game and scoring 27 touchdowns. In addition, McDonell coached first-team All-America selection Eric Heitmann.

Prior to his stint at Stanford, McDonell spent the previous 12 years coaching at Washington State University under head coach Mike Price. While with the Cougars, McDonell was the offensive coordinator and offensive line coach (1994-00) the last seven years of his tenure. Before that, he coached the offensive line and tight ends from '89-93.

While at Washington State, McDonell was part of three bowl teams, one Pac-10 championship team and some of the greatest offenses in school history. In 1997, with McDonell as the offensive coordinator, the Cougars captured the Pac-10 title and earned a Rose Bowl berth. Washington State finished ninth in the nation that season with a 10-2 record, while McDonell's offense led the Pac-10 and was second nationally after averaging 502 yards in total offense per game. His offense also set conference records for most points scored and most yards gained in a season in '97.

In 1994, Washington State finished the season with an 8-4 record, a win in the Alamo Bowl and a No. 24 final ranking. McDonell also was part of the Washington

State team that went to the Copper Bowl in 1992, and defeated Utah 31-28. The Cougars led the Pac-10 in total offense, posted a 9-3 record and a No. 15 final ranking in '92. His running backs coach from 1994-1997 was current Irish running backs coach Buzz Preston.

McDonell also spent five seasons under Price at Weber State (1984-88) as the offensive line coach. At Weber State, McDonell coached one of the top offenses in NCAA Division I-AA. In 1987, Weber State finished 10th in the final regular-season poll, won the Big Sky championship and reached the I-AA semifinals. Weber State also led the nation in total offense in 1985 and ranked third in 1986.

All told, McDonell coached under Price for 17 seasons before heading to Palo Alto.

McDonell began his coaching career at Carroll College, his alma mater, right after graduating with a bachelor's degree in social science in 1981, before becoming the head coach at Scobey High School in Montana in 1982 and '83.

As a player at Carroll College (1977-80), McDonell was a four-year starter, team captain and received All-America recognition following his senior season. He was inducted into the Carroll College Hall of Fame in 1994.

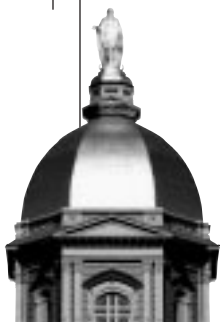
He attended Gonzaga Prep High School in his hometown of Spokane, Wash. Born June 2, 1959, in Spokane, McDonell and his wife, Mindy, have two children: Michael (4) and Megan (2). The couple resides in Granger.



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# Assistant Coach Greg Mattison



Greg Mattison is in his seventh year at Notre Dame, serving as the defensive line coach and recruiting coordinator for the 2003 season. Mattison, who served as defensive coordinator at Notre Dame from 1997-2001, was retained by Irish head coach Tyrone Willingham when he was hired in 2002.

Mattison has coached some of the best defenses in the nation the past six seasons and the defensive line was no different in 2002. The Irish line recorded 37 sacks in '02 for a total of 241 yards. That is up from 2001 where the Irish only recorded 25 sacks for 137 yards.

Overall, the Notre Dame defense was stinging in 2002 as the Irish finished ninth in scoring defense (16.69), 10th in the nation in pass efficiency (98.24) and rushing defense (95.23), 13th in total defense (300.00) and 46th in passing defense (204.77).

Mattison also oversaw the development of some key players this season including the 2002 Moose Krause Lineman of the Year Ryan Roberts and third-team freshman All-American Justin Tuck.

In 2001, the Notre Dame defense finished the year ranked 14th in the nation in total defense - including 10th in the country in pass defense and 22nd in scoring defense.

A native of Madison, Wis., Mattison was also influential in coaching All-American and potential first-round NFL draft pick Anthony Weaver the past four seasons. Weaver finished his impressive career with 154 tackles and 17 sacks.

After recording only 14 sacks in 1999, Mattison's defense rebounded to record 33 sacks during the 2000 season, including a team-high eight by Weaver. The 2000 pass defense also ranked 44th in the nation.

In 1998, Mattison's defense gave up only 16.4 points per game over its last nine regular-season outings - while not giving up a third quarter touchdown in any of its first nine games. In '97 under Mattison, the

Notre Dame defense was ranked 24th in the country in pass efficiency defense at 107.77 points and was 31st in the country in scoring defense at 19.83 points per game.

Before Notre Dame, Mattison was the defensive coordinator at Michigan from 1995-96 and had been a member of the Wolverine staff since 1992 as the defensive line coach. He was one of five '96 finalists for the initial Broyles Award, which recognizes the top assistant coach in college football.

Michigan's scoring defense in '96 ranked eighth nationally (15.2 points per game) and the Wolverines also ranked among the top teams in the nation in rushing defense (108.5 yards per game for 17th), pass efficiency defense (20th) and total defense (18th at 300.9). In '95, Michigan ranked 11th in total defense (286.3) and third in rushing defense (90.1).

He started his collegiate coaching career as a graduate assistant at Illinois in 1976 under Bob Blackman. He also served as an assistant at Cornell (defensive line in 1977 under Blackman), Northwestern (defensive line in 1978-80 under Rick Venturi), Western Michigan (defensive coordinator and linebackers in 1982-86 under Jack Harbaugh), Navy (defensive line in 1987-88 under Elliott Uzelac) and at Texas A&M (1989-91 under R.C. Slocum).

Coaching the Aggie defensive line in '91, Texas A&M boasted the country's top-rated defensive unit (222.4 yards per game) as they won the Southwest Conference title and led the league in all four defensive categories. In '90, Texas A&M stood 19th in total defense and the Aggies were 13th in '89.

Mattison has coached his share of players who have been selected in the National Football League draft including Sam Adams (first round, 1994), Mark Wheeler (third round, 1992), William Carr (seventh round, 1997), Terry Price (10th round, 1990) and Josh Williams. Also, former Irish nose guard Lance Legree signed as a free agent with the New York Giants after the 2000 season.

He has coached teams

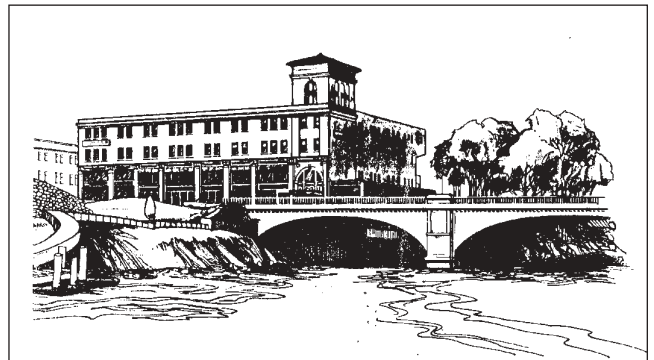
that have advanced to bowl games in 11 of the past 13 years - including appearances in the Hancock, Holiday and Cotton during his tenure at Texas A&M, followed by consecutive appearances in the Rose, Hall of Fame, Holiday, Alamo and Outback Bowls at Michigan and trips to the Independence, Gator and Fiesta Bowls by Notre Dame his first four years.

Mattison began his coaching career as head coach at Riverdale (Wis.) High School from 1971-73 and had the top-rated team in Wisconsin at Logan High School in LaCrosse, Wis., from 1974-75.

Born Gregory Richard Mattison on Nov. 15, 1949, Mattison earned his undergraduate degree from Wisconsin-LaCrosse in 1971 and earned a master's degree from Illinois in '76.

Mattison competed in football and wrestling at Wisconsin-LaCrosse and was team captain in both sports as a junior and a senior. He was a wrestling All-American and was named the offensive MVP on the football team as a senior. In 1989, he was inducted into the Wisconsin-LaCrosse Hall of Fame. A native of Madison, Wis., Mattison graduated from Madison East High School in 1967.

Mattison is married to the former Ann Busse and they have two children - Lisa, who is a senior at Notre Dame and a member of the softball team, Bryan.



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# Assistant Coach Trent Miles



Trent Miles is in his second season coaching wide receivers at Notre Dame after serving in the same capacity at Stanford in 2001.

Miles took a young receiver corps and developed it throughout the season. Senior Arnaz Battle took advantage of Notre Dame's new found passing game, catching 58 passes which ranks third on the Notre Dame single-season reception list. Battle, along with Omar Jenkins and Maurice Stovall, turned into big-play receivers as each of them had at least three TD catches in 2002 (Battle had five) and all had pass receptions longer than 44 yards in '02. Battle and Jenkins also put up big numbers this season as Battle had three 100-yard games and Jenkins recorded 161 yards versus Florida State.

While at Stanford, Miles had the opportunity to coach some of the nation's finest receivers, including Luke Powell, whose 22.3-yard average per catch currently ranks first all-time in Stanford history and freshman Teyo Johnson, who was the 2001 Pacific-10 Co-Freshman of the Year.

Miles spent the 2000 campaign with the Green Bay Packers as an offensive assistant, working with the wide receivers and as the quality control coach. During his tenure with the Packers, he coached NFL all-pro receiver Antonio Freeman.

Miles also brings with him 14 years of coaching experience on the collegiate level. He was the wide receivers coach at Fresno State for three years (1997-99), producing some of the greatest receivers in Bulldogs' history. Two of his receivers in 1999, sophomores Rodney Wright and Charles Smith, combined to produce over 1,600 yards and 14 touchdowns on 120 receptions, earning Wright all-Western Athletic Conference honors in the

process. Their production helped the Bulldogs to a share of the WAC championship and a berth in the EA Sports Las Vegas Bowl.

Throughout his career, Miles has coached on both sides of the ball, including wide receivers, defensive backs and linebackers. Miles began his coaching career at Indiana State, his alma mater, in 1987, tutoring the wide receivers and defensive backs as a graduate assistant. A grad assistant position followed at the University of New Mexico (1988-89), where he worked with the receivers and linebackers. Miles then moved on to the University of Oklahoma in 1990 to coach the wide receivers as a graduate assistant.

The Terre Haute, Ind., native then headed west to the University of Hawaii for two seasons (1995-96), where he spent a season each with the wide receivers and defensive backs.

Miles earlier had been a wide receiver at

Indiana State (1982-86), where his 1983 and '84 squads each won nine games and advanced to the NCAA Division I-AA play-

offs. The 1984 Sycamores were ranked No. 1 in the nation for most of the season. He earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Indiana State in 1987.

Born July 29, 1963, in Terre Haute, Ind., Miles was an all-state selection as a wide receiver at the city's South Vigo High School, where he also played baseball. Miles is single and lives in South Bend.



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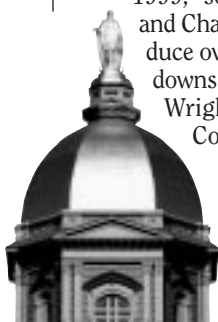
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# Assistant Coach Buzz Preston



Running backs and special teams coach Buzz Preston is in his second season at Notre Dame after previously serving the past three seasons as the running backs coach at Stanford University.

Preston made an immediate impact in both the running game and on special teams in '02. Irish sophomore Ryan Grant became only the seventh player in Notre Dame history to break the 1,000-yard rushing barrier and recorded the 12th-best single-rushing game in Notre Dame history with 190 yards versus Air Force. Grant rushed for over 90 yards seven times in '02 and over 100 yards four times, in addition to posting nine touchdowns on the season and a per carry average of 4.2 yards.

The second-year coach was also instrumental in the development of Rashon Powers-Neal and Marcus Wilson. Powers-Neal rushed for 108 yards versus Stanford and averaged 4.3 yards a carry in '02.

On special teams, the Irish were special once again as Vontez Duff ranked eighth in the nation in kick returns (27.68) and returned both a punt and a kickoff for touchdowns in 2002. Kickers Nicholas Setta and Joey Hildbold were one of the best at their respective positions in '02. Setta set a Kickoff Classic and Notre Dame record with five field goals, including a 51-yarder, against Maryland, while Hildbold was a semifinalist for the Ray Guy Award given to the nation's best punter.

Preston led the Cardinal to new heights in 2001 as for the first time in the history of the program, Stanford led the Pacific-10 in rushing at 201.0 yards per game. The Cardinal rushed for 2,211 total yards in '01 and 27 touchdowns. His '01 backfield of running back Brian Allen (2,117 career yards), running back Kerry Carter (1,515 yards) and fullback Casey Moore (613 yards) provided the Cardinal with the finest group in the Pac-10.

In its first season under Preston's direction, the Cardinal running game more than doubled its yardage output from the previous year. After rushing for 831 yards on 346 carries and averaging 2.4 yards a run in 1998, the Cardinal ground game amassed 1,690 yards on 480 carries and a 4.1 per carry average in '99.

A native of Los Angeles, Preston was the assistant head coach and offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach at Nevada-Las Vegas in 1998, before heading to Stanford. While at UNLV, Preston helped develop the top two receivers in Rebels' history, while improving the team's rushing offense by 45 yards per game.

Prior to his stay at UNLV, he was the running backs coach at Washington State University from 1994-97. During his four-year stint at Washington State, Preston was part of a coaching staff that guided the Cougars to the Pacific-10 Conference championship in 1997 and its first Rose Bowl appearance in 67 years. The Cougars offense broke the Pac-10 record for most total yards in a single season. One of Preston's pupils, Mike Black, gained over 1,100 yards rushing and was named to the all-Pac-10 team. The Cougars finished 10-2 overall and ranked ninth in the nation.

In his first season in Pullman in 1994, the Cougars went 8-4, defeated Baylor in the Alamo Bowl and finished ranked 19th in the nation.

Preston coached at his alma mater, Hawaii, from 1987-93. He coached offensive special teams, receivers, defensive backs and was the strength and conditioning coordinator for the Rainbows. Preston's seven-year stay at Hawaii included leading the Rainbows to the first two bowl games in school history and the first Western Athletic Conference title ever for Hawaii. While coaching special teams, receivers and defensive backs, Preston's accomplishments included coaching two All-America kickoff return specialists in Jeff Sydnor and Larry Kahu-Smith and three of the top six receivers in Hawaii history (including Chris Roscoe and Darrick Branch). In 1989, Hawaii participated in its first post-season bowl game, losing to Michigan State in the Aloha Bowl. The Rainbows won the WAC championship in 1992,

going on to defeat Illinois in the Holiday Bowl.

After receiving a bachelor's degree in speech from Hawaii in 1982, and serving as a graduate assistant at Washington in 1983, Preston's first full-time coaching assignment came at Southern Illinois University where he coached receivers and the defensive backfield from 1984-86. During his three seasons in Carbondale, Southern Illinois University's defense improved dramatically during Preston's tenure — from eighth to second in the conference — while nine of his players received all-conference recognition.

He was a graduate assistant at Hawaii in 1980 and '81 and a part-time coach with the Rainbows in '82. During his career, Preston has been a guest coach for the Toronto Argonauts, Tampa Bay Buccaneers and Miami Dolphins.

A 1975 graduate of Banning High School in Los Angeles, Preston was a two-year letterwinner at Hawaii in 1978 and '79. Born Nov. 9, 1956, Preston and his wife, Audrey, have three children: Amber, Evan and Quinn. They will reside in Granger.



# Assistant Coach Bob Simmons



Bob Simmons, who spent six years as the head football coach at Oklahoma State, joined Tyrone Willingham's staff as the linebackers coach for the 2002 season and is in his second season with the Irish.

Simmons' experience was duly noted as he helped senior Courtney Watson earn first-team All-America honors from ESPN.com and become one of three finalists for the Butkus Award, given to the nation's outstanding linebacker. Watson recorded a team-high 90 tackles in only 10 games this season and had four interceptions in '02.

Simmons also had a strong hand in the development of first-year starters Mike Goolsby and Derek Curry and key backups Brandon Hoyte, Carlos Pierre-Antoine and Justin Thomas. Goolsby finished third on the team with 75 tackles, while Curry had seven tackles for loss and four sacks. Hoyte recorded 57 tackles on the season and gave everyone a glimmer as to what he can do on the field. Hoyte also earned second-team Freshman All-America honors from *The Sporting News* and was a second-team Academic All-District selection.

While at Oklahoma State, Simmons compiled an overall record of 30-38, as the Cowboys realized amazing success early in Simmons' tenure. During his third season, the Cowboys took that success to another level as Oklahoma State won six straight to open the campaign and finished the '97 season 8-4. The Cowboys were ranked in the nation's top 25 seven of the last eight weeks during the '97 season, finishing the year ranked 25th, and earning an Alamo Bowl appearance against Purdue. It was Oklahoma State's first postseason bowl appearance since 1988, as Simmons earned Big XII Conference Coach of the Year honors.

After leaving Oklahoma State, Simmons served as a volunteer consultant for the

Big XII Conference in Dallas, Texas, in 2001. He worked directly with senior associate commissioner Donnie Duncan and coordinator of football officials Tim Millis.

Simmons came to Stillwater, Okla., from the University of Colorado, where he spent seven seasons on Bill McCartney's staff. At Colorado, Simmons was part of a rebuilding process that elevated the Colorado program from a second-division Big Eight finisher to a college football power. While Simmons was on the Colorado staff, the Buffs had a record of 76-16-5 and appeared in six bowl games. Colorado won the national championship in 1990, and won Big Eight Conference championships in 1989, 1990 and 1991.

While at Colorado, Simmons received two National Football League Fellowships. After the 1998 season, Simmons worked with the Detroit Lions linebackers and in 1991 he assisted the New Orleans Saints defensive line.

Prior to his stint at Colorado, Simmons spent eight seasons at West Virginia coaching outside linebackers for head coach Don Nehlen. While at West Virginia, he was part of a staff that fashioned six winning seasons and made five bowl trips, including a 1987 appearance in the Sun Bowl opposite Oklahoma State.

He began his coaching career in 1976 as receivers coach at Bowling Green. After one season at the Ohio school, he moved to the University of Toledo, where he was the outside linebackers coach for three seasons.

After Toledo had back-to-back 2-9 finishes in 1977 and 1978, he helped guide the Rockets to a 7-3-1 finish in 1979.

The Bob Simmons story has not only evolved on the football field, but off it as well as in 1998, Simmons underwent successful kidney transplant surgery with an organ donated by his wife, Linda.

Also a popular and successful speaker, he has been featured at numerous venues nationwide, including Promise Keepers events in Texas, Arkansas and Oklahoma. He was featured along with General Colin Powell and noted author Zig Ziglar at a Peter Lowe

Success Seminar. In addition to his speaking duties, Simmons has been the recipient of numerous honors and awards. He received the Salt and Light Award in 1998 and was awarded the Distinguished Citizen Award by the Boy Scouts of America, also in 1998.

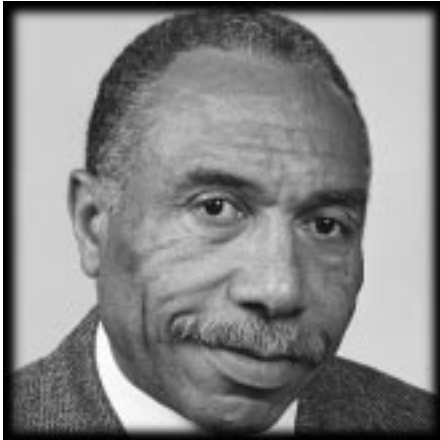
Simmons graduated from Bowling Green in 1971 with a major in physical education. He received his master's in college student personnel from Bowling Green in 1972.

As a student-athlete, Simmons lettered three times as a linebacker at Bowling Green and was all-Mid American Conference as a senior when he registered 150 tackles. He lettered in football, basketball and track at Shaw High School in East Cleveland, Ohio.

Born June 13, 1948 in Livingston, Ala., Simmons is married to the former Linda Davidson and has three children – Brandon (27), Nathan (25) and Lelanna (19). Brandon and his wife Aisha also have two children BJ (5) and Ethan (3).



# Assistant Coach Trent Walters



Trent Walters is in his second year coaching the Notre Dame secondary after serving for eight seasons as a defensive assistant coach under Dennis Green for the National Football League's Minnesota Vikings.

Walters did not take long to make an immediate impression on his secondary that was filled with outstanding talent before he arrived. The Irish finished ninth in scoring defense (16.69), 10th in the nation in pass efficiency (98.24) and rushing defense (95.23), 13th in total defense (300.00) and 46th in passing defense (204.77).

The leader of the defense in '02 was cornerback Shane Walton, who became Notre Dame's first consensus All-American since 1993. Walton also became the first player in the history of Notre Dame football to be voted a finalist for the Bronko Nagurski Award given to the nation's outstanding defensive player. Cornerback Vontez Duff also earned third-team All-America honors in 2002, while safety Gerome Sapp was a Thorpe Award nominee and Glenn Earl solidified his reputation as being one of the hardest hitters in the country.

Walters coached the Vikings' outside linebackers from 1994-99 before switching to inside linebackers in 2000. In 2001, Walters served as a defensive assistant coach. During Walters' tenure with the Vikings, Minnesota posted a 77-51 (.601) record, making the playoffs six times over the past eight years.

In 2000, Walters helped former Stanford player Kailee Wong as he moved to the inside linebacker position for the first time in his career. Wong led the team in total tackles with 134, solo tackles at 93 and was tied for the team lead in interceptions with two. Walters also coached Dwayne Rudd that season, who finished fourth on the club in tackles with 91 and led the team in assisted tackles with 53.

In '98, Walters helped coach a Vikings defense that gave up only 296 points (sixth

best in the NFL) and shut out opponents in 29 of a possible 73 quarters, including the playoffs.

The defense, led by strong-side linebacker Dixon Edwards, held opponents to under 20 points in five straight games (9/28-11/2) during the Vikings six-game winning streak in '97. Minnesota also held its opposition to 17-or-fewer points in nine games in '96. The Vikings finished third in the NFL in third-down defense (33.2%), sixth in the league in sacks (43) and tied for seventh in takeaways (35) in '96.

In '95, the Vikings finished second in the league in takeaways (40), fourth in the NFL in run defense (83.1) and tied for fourth in the league in sacks (44). In '94, Minnesota led the NFL in run defense, holding opponents to the fewest rushing yards per game (68.1) in the league in 30 years. The Vikings also led the NFL in yards allowed per carry (3.1) and ranked fifth in total defense (296.4) in '94.

Before coaching in Minnesota, Walters served as defensive backs coach at Texas A&M from 1991-93. During his tenure in College Station, the Aggies led the Southwest Conference in total defense, rush defense, pass defense and scoring defense, becoming only the second school in NCAA history to lead its conference in all four categories three straight years. In '93, Texas A&M led the nation in pass defense, finished second in points allowed (10.8 per game) and third in total defense (247.6). In '91, they held opponents to the fewest yards per game in the nation. During the '91 season, Walters coached on the same staff as current Irish defensive line coach Greg Mattison and former Irish head coach Bob Davie.

Among Walters' pupils at Texas A&M were cornerbacks Kevin Smith, an '91 All-American who had a long career with the Dallas Cowboys, and Aaron Glenn, the '93 Southwest Conference Defensive Player of the Year, who was drafted by the Jets with the 12th overall pick in '94. Walters coached seven first-team all-SWC picks while at A&M.

Before joining the Aggies, Walters guided the secondary for five years (1986-90) at Louisville, where he helped turn around the Cardinals program from 3-8 in '86 to 10-1-1 in '90. In his final season at Louisville, the team won a school-record 10 games, played its first postseason game (Fiesta Bowl) since '77 and captured its first bowl victory (34-7 over Alabama) since '70. One of Walters' star pupils with the Cardinals was Ray Buchanan who was named the Defensive Most Valuable Player of the 1991 Fiesta Bowl as a sophomore. He earned NFL All-Rookie honors with

Indianapolis in '93, finished third in the league with eight interceptions in '94 and was named to the '98 Pro Bowl following his terrific season with the Atlanta Falcons.

Walters began his coaching career overseeing the freshmen and junior varsity team at his alma mater Indiana in '68. He coached defensive backs at Louisville in '72 before returning to Indiana to guide the Hoosiers secondary for eight years (1973-80). In three seasons (1981-83) as defensive backs coach at the University of Washington, Walters groomed future NFL players Vince Newsome, Ray Horton, Vince Albritton and Vestee Jackson.

In '84, Walters received his first pro coaching opportunity tutoring defensive backs at Cincinnati. He then guided the secondary for a season (1985) at the University of Pittsburgh.

In '66 and '67, Walters led the Canadian Football League in punt and kickoff return yardage while playing for an Edmonton team that was coached by former Vikings assistant Neill Armstrong.

A three-year letterman at Indiana, Walters led the Hoosiers in punt and kickoff returns as a senior in '65. He earned his bachelor's degree in physical education and his master's in physical education administration from Indiana. Walters is a member of the Sports Hall of Fame in Knoxville, Tenn., where he attended Austin High School.

Walters and his wife Gail, also an Indiana as well as a University of Louisville Kent School of Social Work graduate, have two sons, Trent and Troy and a daughter, Vanessa. Trent is an advertising account manager for the Richards Group and has a son Brandon (3). Troy was an All-America wide receiver/punt returner and won the Biletnikoff Award, given to the nation's best wide receiver, while earning all-Pacific-10 academic team honors at Stanford under new Irish head coach Tyrone Willingham. Troy received both his bachelor's and master's from Stanford. Vanessa graduated from the University of Washington Medical School in June and will do her residency in Jacksonville, Fla.



# Strength and Conditioning Coach Mickey Marotti



Mickey Marotti joined the Notre Dame staff in February 1998 as the strength and conditioning coordinator and is in his sixth year in that role. Marotti served as the strength and conditioning coach at the University of Cincinnati for eight years before coming to Notre Dame.

In his role at Notre Dame, he is responsible for the total development of sport-specific strength and conditioning programs for all 26 varsity sports at Notre Dame.

Marotti coordinated the strength and conditioning program for 20 sports at Cincinnati and also worked in the areas of diet analysis and planning and assisted in

student-athlete rehabilitation from injuries. He is certified through the Collegiate Strength and Conditioning Coaches Association (CSCC), as well as the National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA).

He previously spent two years beginning in 1988 as assistant strength coach at West Virginia. Marotti spent 1987-88 as a graduate assistant strength coach at Ohio State, while at the same time serving as head strength coach at Grove City High School in Grove City, Ohio.

A speaker at numerous clinics and symposiums, he has published a number of articles in the strength and conditioning area and developed sport performance clinics for junior high and high school student-athletes.

The Ambridge, Pa., native earned four letters in football as a fullback at West Liberty State, serving as a team tri-captain in 1986 and winning first team NAIA All-Academic honors in 1987.

Born Dec. 24, 1964, he earned his bachelor of science degree in exercise physiology from West Liberty State in 1987, a master of arts in strength training and athletic conditioning from Ohio State in 1988 and a master of science in sport medicine from West Virginia in 1990.

Marotti and his wife, the former Susan Laffey, have one son, Mitchell, and one daughter, Madison.



# Director of Football Operations Erica Genise



Erica Genise is in her second season as director of football operation for the Fighting Irish. Genise came to Notre Dame after serving as the temporary executive assistant to the President of the San Francisco 49ers since February '02.

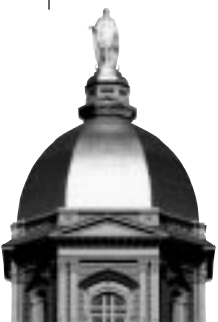
Before working with the 49ers, Genise was the administrative associate to head coach Tyrone Willingham at Stanford. Included in her job responsibilities were providing administrative assistance to Willingham, while serving as office manager. She supervised the other secretaries in the office and served as the liaison between Willingham and the public. She also coordinated some team travel while at Stanford and was a member of the plan-

ning committee for Stanford's appearance at both the 2000 Rose Bowl and 2001 Seattle Bowl.

Prior to her stint at Stanford, Genise was the coaching and pro personnel assistant with the Minnesota Vikings from 1994-97. She also worked as a public relations intern and as an administrative assistant to the coaching staff while with the Vikings.

A '93 graduate of the University of Iowa with a degree in journalism, Genise worked for both the Daily Iowan, the student newspaper, and the Iowa athletic department in many different capacities.

Genise is married to John Genise. The couple resides in Osceola.



# Football Staff

## D.J. Durkin *Defensive Graduate Assistant • Bowling Green '01*

D.J. Durkin is in his first season as a graduate assistant at Notre Dame, working on the defensive side of the ball. He will assist with all aspects of the defense and work specifically with defensive line coach Greg Mattison.

Durkin comes to Notre Dame after serving as the defensive ends coach and a graduate assistant coach at Bowling Green the past two seasons. He worked specifically with the defensive ends and assisted with all aspects of special teams.

While at Bowling Green, the Falcons were 9-3 in 2002 and were ranked in the

top 20 of both major polls. In 2001, the Bowling Green defense was first in the conference in total defense, as well as four other major defensive categories. Durkin also coached fourth-team All-American and first-team all-conference selection Brandon Hicks.

A four-year starter at defensive end and outside linebacker for the Falcons as a player, he was elected a two-year captain by his teammates. He also received a number of awards during his career including the Ken Schoeni Award for character and toughness, the Carlos Jackson Award for

personifying the values of a true student-athlete and the Leadership Award for displaying great leadership.

Durkin earned a bachelor's degree in business marketing from Bowling Green in 2001, and is currently pursuing a master's degree in educational administration and supervision.

Born Jan. 15, 1978 in Youngstown, Ohio, Durkin is married to the former Sarah Brumback. The couple will reside in South Bend, Ind.

## Chad Klunder *Offensive Graduate Assistant • Wartburg College '95*

Chad Klunder is in his first season as a graduate assistant at Notre Dame. Klunder will work with the offense, and specifically with offensive coordinator Bill Diedrick, in his position.

Klunder comes to Notre Dame after serving as the running backs coach and coordinator of football operations at Harvard University since 1998. He was responsible for all running back unit meetings, practice organization and position evaluations. While at Harvard, Klunder's running backs led the Ivy League in rushing three times and he coached three all-Ivy players, including Chris Menick, who finished his career as the all-time leading

rusher in Harvard history. In 2001, Harvard won the Ivy League championship with a perfect 9-0 record and became the first Harvard team since 1913 to go undefeated or untied in league play.

Prior to his stint at Harvard, Klunder worked as a graduate assistant strength and conditioning coach at the University of Minnesota and also was a graduate assistant coach at St. Cloud State University in St. Cloud, Minn. While at St. Cloud, Klunder coached Randy Martin, who was a finalist for the Harlon Hill Trophy given to the NCAA Division II Player of the Year.

A four-year starter at Wartburg College in Waverly, Iowa, Klunder was a four-year

starter and letterwinner at defensive back. He was a two-time unanimous all-conference selection and an honorable mention All-American. He also was a co-captain when Wartburg advanced to the NCAA Division III quarterfinals in 1994.

Klunder received a degree in sports management from Wartburg in 1995 and has taken master's coursework at both St. Cloud State and Minnesota. He is a member of the American Football Coaches Association and the National Strength and Conditioning Association.

Born Aug. 28, 1972, in Waverly, Iowa, Klunder is single and lives in Mishawaka.

## Administrative Assistants



**Jan Blazi**  
Senior Administrative  
Assistant to Coach  
Willingham



**Karen Demeter**  
Administrative Assistant  
Recruiting



**Julie DeBuysser**  
Senior Staff Assistant  
Offensive Coaches



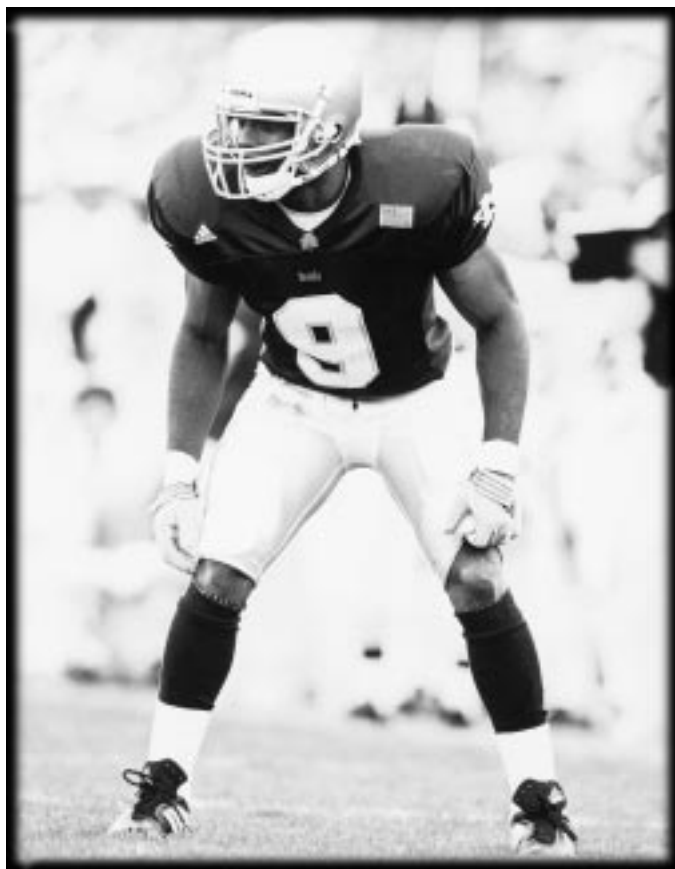
**Ann Niemier**  
Senior Staff Assistant  
Football Office Receptionist



**Heather Phillips**  
Senior Staff Assistant  
Defensive Coaches



# The Players



## #9 JASON BECKSTROM

**CORNERBACK**  
**SENIOR • 5-10 • 186**

**Tulsa, OK (Jenks)**



Missed entire 2002 season due to a bicep injury sustained in August ... is eligible to apply for a fifth year ... played in every game in 2001, including starting versus West Virginia and Boston College as Notre Dame opened with five defensive backs ... recorded three tackles and recovered a fumble vs. Tennessee ... recorded first career interception vs. Purdue that featured a 29-yard run-back ... as a sophomore played on special teams in every game and appeared in secondary in 11 games (only missed vs. West Virginia), also appeared in the 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl vs. Oregon State ... made first two career starts vs. Stanford and Rutgers in '00 ... won a monogram as rookie Irish cornerback in '99, playing in 10 games ... made 73 special-team appearances ... helped Jenks High School team in Jenks, Okla., to 12-2 final record in '98 and third-straight Oklahoma Class 6A state title and seventh-straight district championship ... from the same high school as former Irish players Andy and Jerry Wisne, Sean Mahan and Justin Thomas ... born April 10, 1981, in Rochester, Mich. ... has a 3.33 grade-point average in the fall of '02 ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business, majoring in marketing.

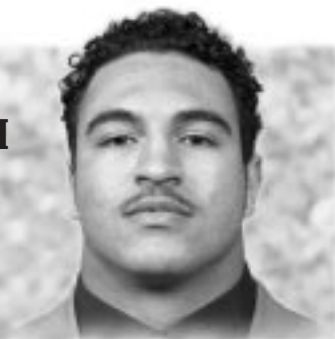
Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Total	FC	PBU	FR	Yds.	Int-Yds
1999	10-0	8	1	9	1	1	0	0	0-0
2000	11-3	16	1	17	0	3	0	0	0-0
2001	11-2	8	5	13	0	2	1	0	1-29
2002									injured -DNP
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32-5</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1-29</b>



## #90 BRIAN BEIDATSCH

**DEFENSIVE END**  
**JUNIOR • 6-4 • 283**

**Milwaukee, WI (Marquette)**



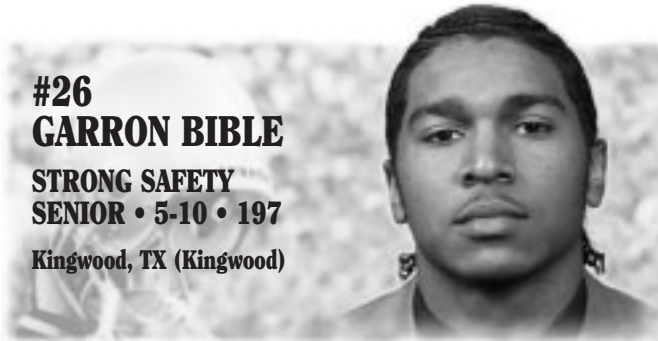
Irish reserve defensive end in 2002 who earned his first monogram ... saw action in all 13 games this season, including the 2003 Gator Bowl, as the backup to Ryan Roberts ... made first career appearance vs. Maryland ... recorded first career tackle vs. Pittsburgh ... played 29:34 minutes in '02 and made three appearances on special teams ... did not see action as a freshman defensive lineman in '01 ... Wisconsin all-state pick who was two-year, two-way starter at defensive end and offensive guard ... selected for Wisconsin Shrine all-star game ... born July 9, 1982, in Milwaukee, Wis. ... enrolled in the Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Tot.
2002	13-0	1	1	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13-0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>





# The Players



## #26 GARRON BIBLE

**STRONG SAFETY**  
**SENIOR • 5-10 • 197**

**Kingwood, TX (Kingwood)**

Reserve defensive back for Irish in 2002 ... came in on dime situations for Irish ... made first career start against Navy in place of injured Gerome Sapp ... made a then career-high five tackles against the Midshipmen ... also started for Sapp against Rutgers recording a career-high and game-high seven tackles ... had first career tackle for loss and fumble recovery vs. Rutgers ... recorded three tackles vs. USC... former tailback who moved to cornerback in '01 and to safety in 2002 ... played only special teams in '01, making 105 appearances ... did not see game action in 2000, working as reserve running back ... rated one of top 100 players in Texas by *Dallas Morning News* and *Houston Chronicle* ... Texas District 22-5A offensive MVP in '99 ... set school single-game record with 320 rushing yards on 14 carries in one game. . . born Dec. 22, 1981, in Heidelberg, Germany ... enrolled in the College of Arts and Letters, majoring in political science and computer applications.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Total	PBU	FR-Yds.
2000		injured - DNP				
2001	11-0	2	2	4	0	0-0
2002	13-2	17	15	32	3	1-0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24-2</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1-0</b>



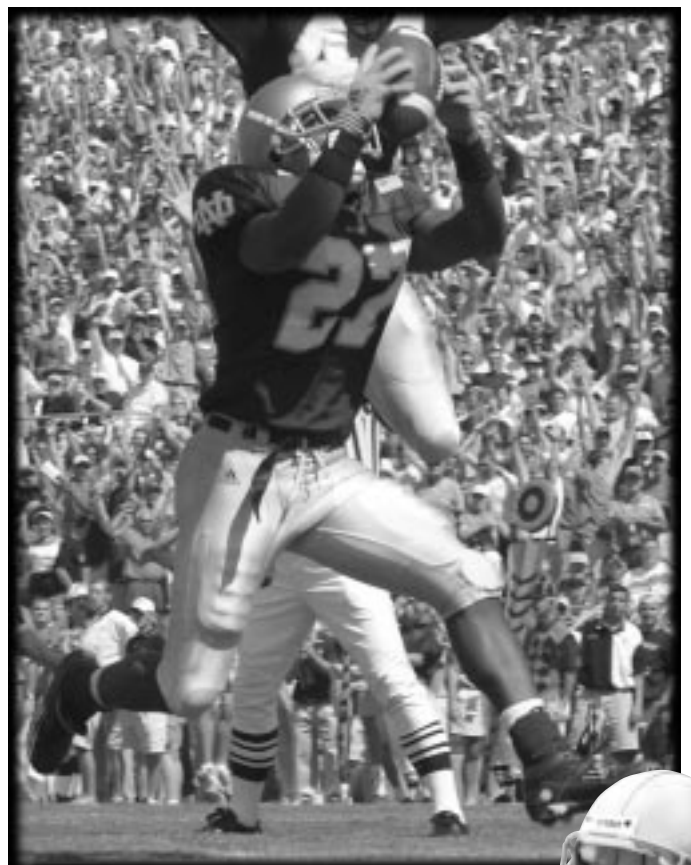
## #27 LIONEL BOLEN

**STRONG SAFETY**  
**JUNIOR • 6-0 • 206**

**Westhampton, NJ**  
**(Rancocas Valley)**

Irish reserve defensive back in 2002 ... moved from cornerback to strong safety during spring drills ... made 88 appearances on special teams for the Irish and played 8:12 on defense ... made his first career appearance for the Irish vs. Maryland ... recorded a touchdown on a four-yard fumble recovery vs. Purdue, putting the Irish up 14-0 ... saw action on defense in dime situations vs. Navy and Rutgers during the absence of injured starter Gerome Sapp ... made first three career tackles vs. Rutgers ... did not see action as a rookie cornerback in '01 ... won all-state honors as senior at Rancocas Valley High School ... chosen for Governor's Bowl between New Jersey and New York prep stars ... from same high school that produced former Irish tailback Terrance Howard and former college football standouts Irving Fryar (Nebraska) and Alonzo Spellman (Ohio State) ... born July 18, 1983, in Mt. Holly, N.J. ... enrolled in the College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	FR-Yds.	TD
2002	11-0	1	2	3	1-4	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11-0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1-4</b>	<b>1</b>



# The Players



## #92 KYLE BUDINCAK

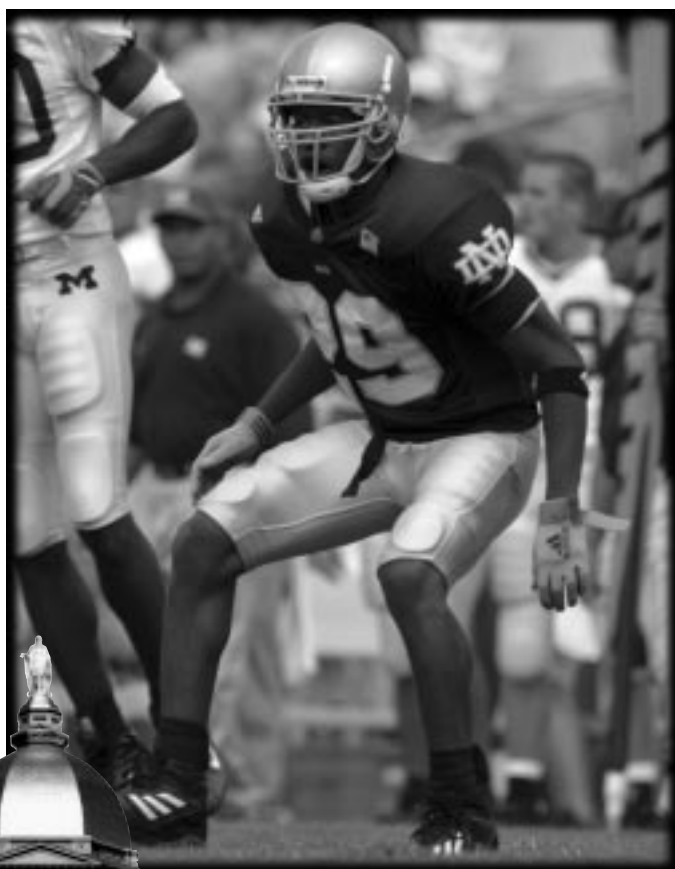
**DEFENSIVE END**  
**SENIOR • 6-4 • 270**

**Bridgewater, NJ**  
**(Bridgewater-Raritan)**



Irish starter at left defensive end in 2002 ... played 251:40 minutes for the Irish in 2002 ... named to the 2002 Verizon Academic All-America District V Football Team ... also earned Academic All-District honors in '01 ... recorded a career-high four tackles vs. Stanford, including first career sack for a loss of 11 yards ... recorded three tackles vs. Pittsburgh, including one sack ... recorded four tackles vs. Navy... Irish reserve at left defensive tackle in 2001 ... made first career appearance vs. Nebraska ... recorded first career start vs. West Virginia in '01 with Darrell Campbell slowed by neck spasms ... also saw time at nose guard vs. Tennessee and Navy, spelling Cedric Hilliard ... started vs. Purdue and recorded a career-high five tackles ... did not see game action in 2000, while working as defensive end ... won New Jersey all-state honors as senior at Bridgewater-Raritan ... was named the Somerset County defensive player of the year for '99 by *Newark Star-Ledger* ... selected for Governor's Bowl all-star game ... born Aug. 20, 1982, in Freehold, N.J. ... father Guy Sr. played basketball at Fairleigh Dickinson ... has a 3.53 cumulative grade-point average, including a 3.97 in the fall of '01 ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business, majoring in finance.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	TL	Sacks	PBU
2001	11-2	6	7	13	0-0	0-0	0
2002	13-12	13	7	20	6-30	3-24	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24-14</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>6-30</b>	<b>3-24</b>	<b>3</b>



## #8 QUENTIN BURRELL

**FREE/STRONG SAFETY**  
**JUNIOR • 6-0 • 180**

**Decatur, GA**  
**(Southwest DeKalb)**

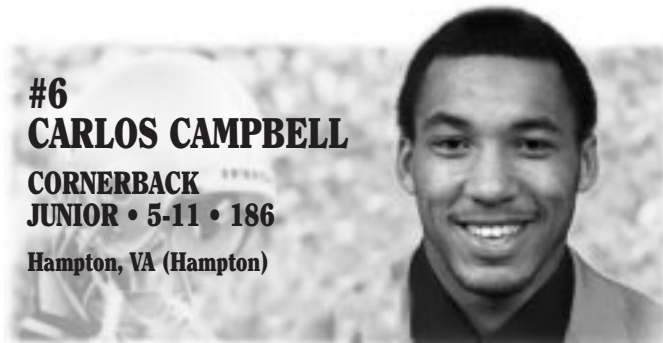


Irish reserve defensive back in 2002 ... moved from cornerback to safety for the '02 season ... played on special teams in all 13 games, including 2003 Gator Bowl ... recorded 141 special team appearances in '02 ... saw action in the secondary vs. Rutgers ... made first career interception (30-yard return) vs. Rutgers ... Irish reserve cornerback as a sophomore ... played on special teams for the Irish in seven games in '01 ... made first career appearance vs. Michigan State ... first-team Class AAAAA all-state pick as a junior free safety at Southwest DeKalb High School ... selected for Georgia-Florida prep all-star game ... great-grandson of former Grambling coach Eddie Robinson, a Hall of Famer who ranks as one of the winningest coaches in NCAA history ... born Nov. 26, 1982, in Monroe, La. ... posted a 3.167 grade-point average in the fall of '02 ... enrolled in the College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	Int.-Yds.
2001	7-0	1	2	3	0-0
2002	13-0	2	0	2	1-30
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20-0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1-30</b>



# The Players

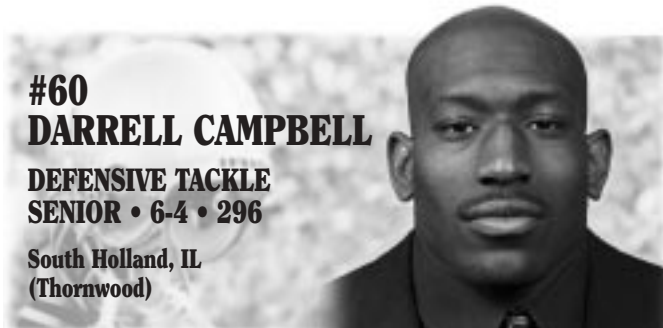
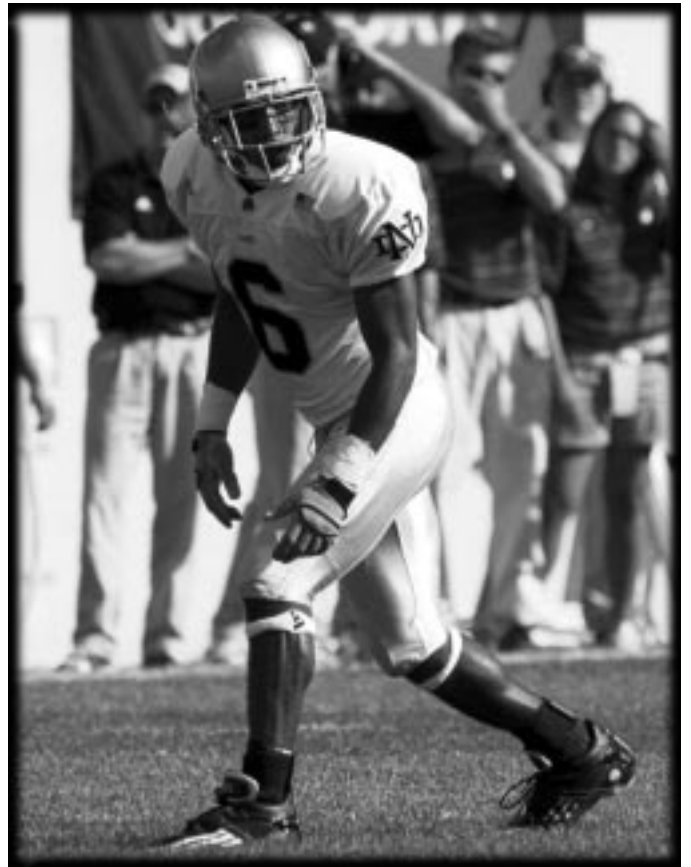


## #6 CARLOS CAMPBELL

**CORNERBACK**  
**JUNIOR • 5-11 • 186**  
**Hampton, VA (Hampton)**

Is moving from wide receiver to cornerback for the 2003 season ... Irish reserve receiver in 2002 playing in all 13 games including 2003 Gator Bowl ... played in 79:42 minutes of action ... after having only one reception in eight games in '01, made two receptions for 17 yards vs. Maryland ... made first start of season vs. Michigan State ... recovered the ball in the endzone for a safety against Navy ... was an Irish reserve receiver in 2001 ... made first career appearance vs. Michigan State ... made first start of career vs. Tennessee in '01 ... had first career reception vs. Navy for 32 yards ... two-way starter who earned all-state honors in Virginia as defensive back in 2000 and as receiver in '99 at Hampton High School ... from same high school that produced former North Carolina football/basketball standout Ron Curry and former standout Irish defensive end Robert Banks ... born Nov. 18, 1982, in Hampton, Va. ... enrolled in the College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2001	8-1	1	32	32.0	0	32
2002	13-1	4	38	9.5	0	12
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21-2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>32</b>

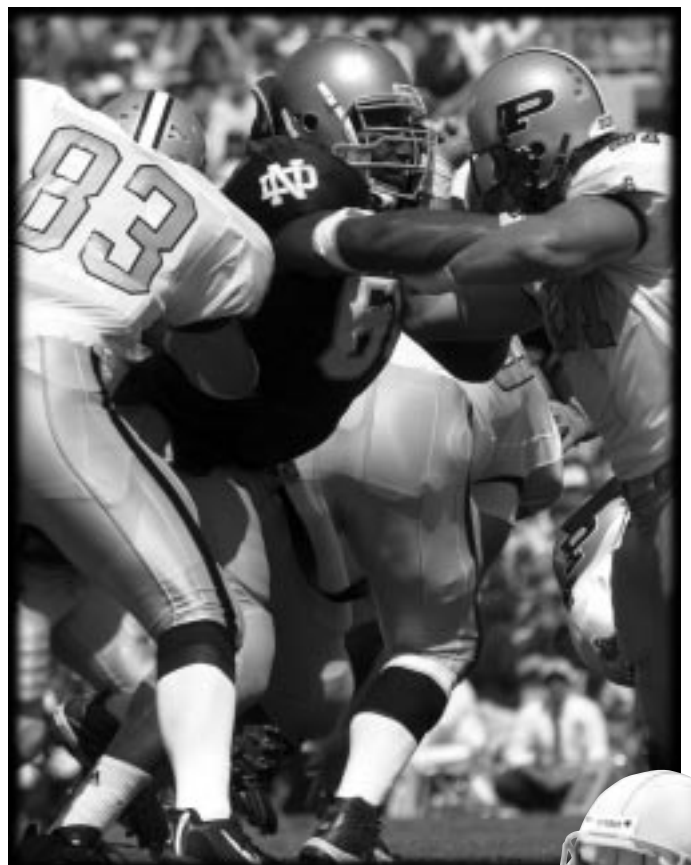


## #60 DARRELL CAMPBELL

**DEFENSIVE TACKLE**  
**SENIOR • 6-4 • 296**  
**South Holland, IL**  
**(Thornwood)**

Starter at defensive tackle for the Irish in 2002 ... played 298:27 minutes in '02 ... served as a game captain vs. Michigan and Boston College ... recorded career-high seven tackles vs. Pittsburgh, including one sack and two tackles for a loss ... helped Irish defense hold Air Force, which was ranked #1 in rushing offense in the nation, to 104 yards rushing, its lowest rushing total of the season ... recorded four tackles vs. Boston College, including one sack for a loss of eight yards ... recorded five tackles vs. Navy ... starter in nine of 11 games in '01 ... recorded four tackles vs. Texas A&M ... recorded five tackles, including two for a loss, vs. Navy ... Irish contributor at defensive end in 2000 after not seeing action as a freshman ... named to the 2000 preseason All-Independent team by *The Sporting News* ... played defensively in nine games (not vs. Nebraska, Air Force, USC), including vs. Oregon State in 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... did not see varsity action as rookie defensive end in '99 ... *USA Today* honorable mention prep All-America pick and first-team all-state at Thornwood High School ... born July 6, 1981, in Chicago, Ill. ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters, majoring in English and computer applications.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	FF	FR	TL	Sacks
2000	8-0	3	0	3	0	1	2-3	0-0
2001	11-9	12	14	26	1	0	7-29	3.0-18
2002	13-13	18	15	33	0	0	8-47	6-44
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32-22</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>17-79</b>	<b>9-62</b>



# The Players



## #1 JARED CLARK

**TIGHT END**  
**SENIOR • 6-4 • 242**

**Sarasota, FL**  
**(Cardinal Mooney)**

Reserve tight end for Irish in 2002 after moving to the position from quarterback in the spring ... played 47:16 minutes in '02 ... also saw action on special teams making 119 appearances ... made first career reception for Irish vs. Maryland in the second quarter for 17 yards and a first down ... made career-long 37-yard reception vs. Florida State ... had four receptions for 41 yards against North Carolina State in the 2003 Gator Bowl ... made first career appearance at quarterback for the Irish vs. Texas A&M ('01) in the fourth quarter, rushing once and attempting one pass ... did not see game action in 2000 at quarterback position ... ranked 62nd on *Chicago Sun-Times* list of top 100 national prospects in '99 at Cardinal Mooney High School ... first-team all-state quarterback accounted for 2,113 yards and 27 TDs overall in '99, despite missing two and a half games due to pneumonia ... selected for Florida-Georgia All-Star game ... born Oct. 30, 1981, in Gainesville, Fla. ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business, majoring in management.

Year	G-GS	PA	PC	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	LG
2001	1-0	1	0	0	.000	0	0	0
2002	13-0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14-0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Year	TC	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2001	1	5	5.0	0	5	0	0	0.0	0	0
2002	0	0	0.0	0	0	7	104	14.9	0	37
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>14.9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>37</b>



## #48 JEROME COLLINS

**OUTSIDE LINEBACKER/  
DEFENSIVE END**  
**SENIOR • 6-4 • 250**

**Warrenville, IL**  
**(Wheaton-Warrenville South)**

Former receiver who switched to linebacker and now defensive end after arriving at Notre Dame ... Irish reserve at outside linebacker in '02 earning his first monogram ... played 19:50 minutes on defense and made 159 special team appearances ... saw his first playing time on defense against Maryland, coming in during passing situations ... played in 11 games in 2002, both on special teams and on defense ... made 32 special team appearances in first three games combined in '01 ... did not play after Texas A&M game ... did not see action during the 2000 season ... ranked 94th on *Chicago Sun-Times* list of top 100 national prospects in '99 ... rated 11th on Best of the Midwest team by *Detroit Free-Press* ... ran second leg on Wheaton-Warrenville South's '99 state championship 4x100 relay ... has run a 10.9 100 meters and 22.8 200 meters ... born August 18, 1982 ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters, majoring in sociology and computer applications.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Tot.
2001	3-0	0	0	0
2002	11-0	1	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14-0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>



# The Players

**#49**

**DEREK CURRY**

**OUTSIDE LINEBACKER  
SENIOR • 6-4 • 241**

**Sealy, TX (Sealy)**



Moved from inside linebacker to starter at outside linebacker for the Irish in 2002 ... played 184:12 minutes in 2002 ... also a contributor on special teams making 70 appearances ... made first career start and recorded three tackles vs. Maryland, after only recording two stops during the '01 season ... had one tackle for a loss and first career fumble recovery vs. Purdue ... posted career-high five tackles vs. Michigan State, including one for a loss ... had first career sack vs. Stanford for a loss of eight yards ... recorded four tackles vs. Navy, including one sack for a loss of four yards ... had four tackles vs. USC ... Irish reserve at linebacker in 2001...made his first two career tackles vs. Texas A&M, including one for loss ... made 49 special team appearances in 2001 ... did not see action as a rookie outside linebacker in 2000 ... honorable mention pick on *USA Today* prep All-America team ... rated one of top 100 players in Texas by *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*, *Dallas Morning News* and *Houston Chronicle* at Sealy High School ... selected for Texas-Oklahoma Oil Bowl all-star game and Southwestern Bell North-South Texas all-star game ... born Sept. 5, 1981, in Houston ... brother Dante played football at Southern Arkansas ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business, majoring in management information systems.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	TL	Sacks	PBU	FF	FR-Yds.
2001	11-0	0	2	2	1-1	0-0	0	0	0-0
2002	13-12	23	11	34	7-27	4-22	2	1	1-0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24-12</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>8-28</b>	<b>4-22</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1-0</b>



**#9**

**PAT DILLINGHAM**

**QUARTERBACK  
JUNIOR • 6-1 • 211**

**Portola Valley, CA (St. Francis)**

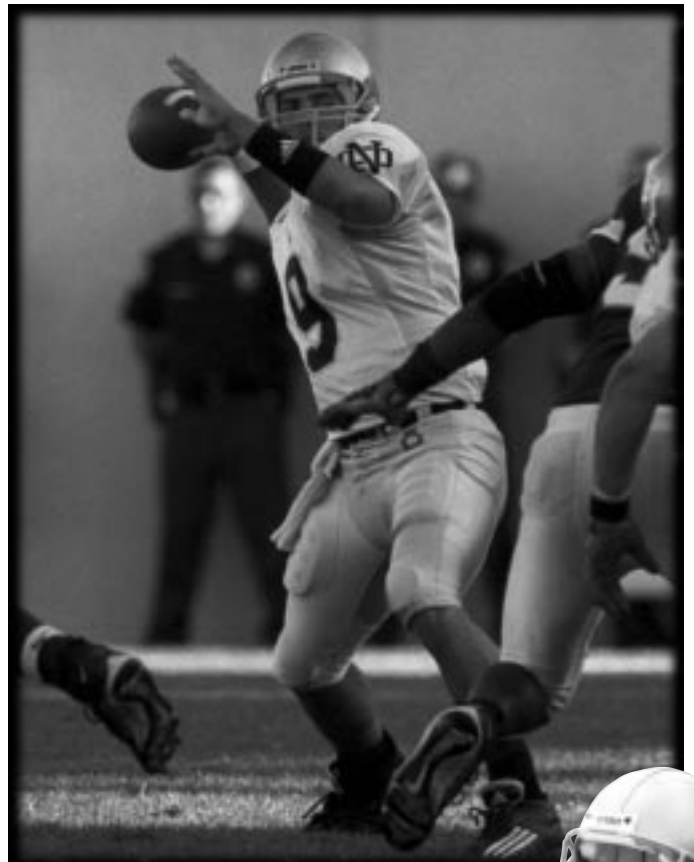


Reserve quarterback for Irish in 2002 ... former walk-on who was elevated to scholarship status for the 2002 season ... played 69:01 minutes in '02 ... made first career appearance for the Irish vs. Maryland ... in second career appearance, completed three of six pass attempts for 84 yards vs. Michigan State, taking over for an injured Carlyle Holiday in the third quarter ... led the Irish to winning score with 60-yard touchdown pass to Arnaz Battle with 1:15 remaining in the fourth quarter ... made first career start for the Irish vs. Stanford ... completed 14 passes for 129 yards vs. Stanford ... played most of the game at the 2003 Gator Bowl after injury to Holiday ... finished the game going 19-37 for 166 yards ... did not see action as a rookie quarterback in 2001 ... was named all-conference and first-team all-league his junior and senior years of high school at St. Francis ... has an overall GPA of 3.277 ... father is the head orthopedic surgeon for the Stanford Sports Medicine Program and the team physician for the San Francisco 49ers ... enrolled in the Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	PA	PC	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	LG
2002	7-1	81	41	7	.506	434	1	60
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7-1</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>.506</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>60</b>

Year	TC	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2002	7	-35	-5.8	0	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-35</b>	<b>-5.8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>



# The Players



## #34 VONTEZ DUFF

**CORNERBACK**  
**SENIOR • 6-1 • 194**

**Copperas Cove, TX**  
**(Copperas Cove)**



Named a third-team All-American by the Associated Press in '02 ... starting cornerback for Irish ... also handles kickoff and punt return duties ... ranked eighth in the nation in kickoff return average with 27.7 yards per return ... played a team-high 347:53 minutes in '02 ... also made 138 special teams appearances ... has returned a punt, kickoff and interception for TDs in his career becoming first Irish player ever to accomplish that feat ... recorded his first career punt return for a touchdown vs. Maryland for 76 yards ... recorded first career interception return for a touchdown (33-yard return) vs. Purdue ... returned a kickoff 92 yards for a touchdown vs. Navy ... returned punt 52 yards and tied a career-high with six tackles vs. USC ... reserve cornerback to start the 2001 season, but moved into starting lineup beginning with fourth game of season vs. Pittsburgh ... recorded first career touchdown on career-high 96-yard kickoff return vs. Purdue ... reserve cornerback in 2000 ... was only freshman to appear on defense in 2000 and one of just four to see action overall ... rated 12th on *The Sporting News* list of top 101 prospects and 61st on Chicago Sun-Times list of top 100 prospects at Copperas Cove High School ... born March 8, 1982, in Kentucky ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters, majoring in sociology and computer applications.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	TL	PBU	Int.-Yds.	FR
2000	11-0	3	1	4	0-0	1	1-4	0
2001	11-8	14	11	25	0-0	6	3-37	0
2002	13-13	31	5	36	1-3	7	1-33	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>35-21</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>1-3</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>5-74</b>	<b>2</b>

Year	KOR	Yds	Avg	TD	LR	PR	Yds	Avg.	LR
2001	12	358	29.8	1	96	9	80	8.9	17
2002	19	526	27.7	1	92	40	385	9.6	76
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>984</b>	<b>31.7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>76</b>

## #19 GLENN EARL

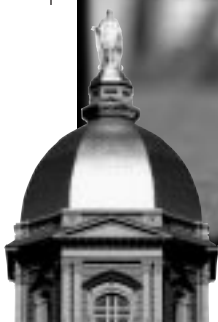
**FREE SAFETY**  
**SENIOR • 6-1 • 204**

**Lisle, IL (Naperville North)**

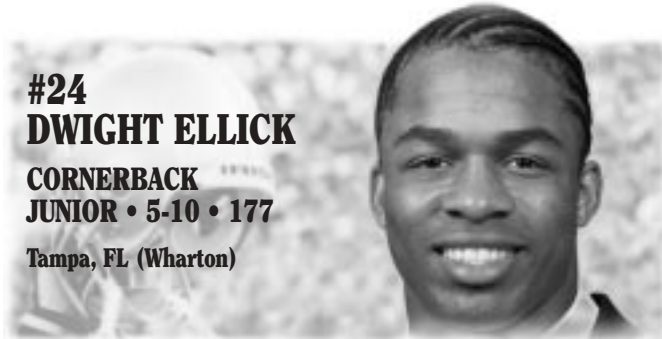


Starting free safety for Irish in 2002 ... second on team in tackles with 81 ... second on the team in minutes played with 346:56 ... led team in tackles vs. Florida State with a season-high 11, including one sack for a loss of nine yards ... also made first interception since '00, forced a fumble, and broke up three passes vs. Florida State ... named ABC/Chevrolet Player of the Game vs. Florida State ... tied for team lead vs. USC with nine tackles... reserve defensive back for the Irish in 2001 ... made third start of the season vs. Purdue, leading the Irish with a career-high 12 tackles, including first two career sacks ... reserve defensive back in 2000 after not seeing game action as a freshman flanker ... played on special teams in each game, making 167 regular-season appearances and 12 more in the 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... blocked 28-yard Dave Adams field goal attempt as time expired in regulation vs. Air Force, sending the game to overtime where the Irish won 34-31 ... *USA Today* honorable mention All-America pick at Naperville North High School ... cousin Acie played basketball at Iowa and professionally for the Boston Celtics ... father Glenn played football at Indiana State ... born June 10, 1981 in Southfield, Mich. ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business, majoring in economics and computer applications.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	TL-YD	Sacks	FR	PBU	Int.	PR	Yds.
2000	11-1	14	6	20	0-0	0-0	1	2	1-0	1	23
2001	8-3	21	12	33	4-14	2-11	1	0	0-0	0	0
2002	13-13	51	30	81	4-18	1-9	2	4	2-9	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32-17</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>8-32</b>	<b>3-20</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3-9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>23</b>



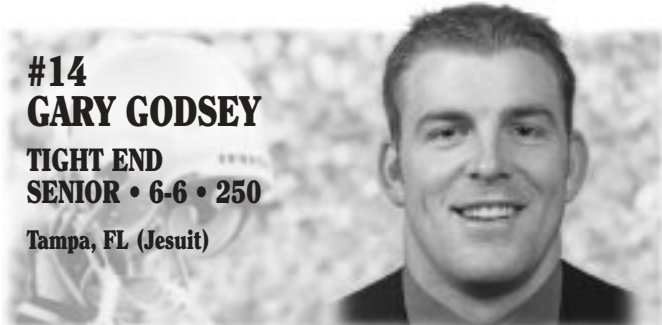
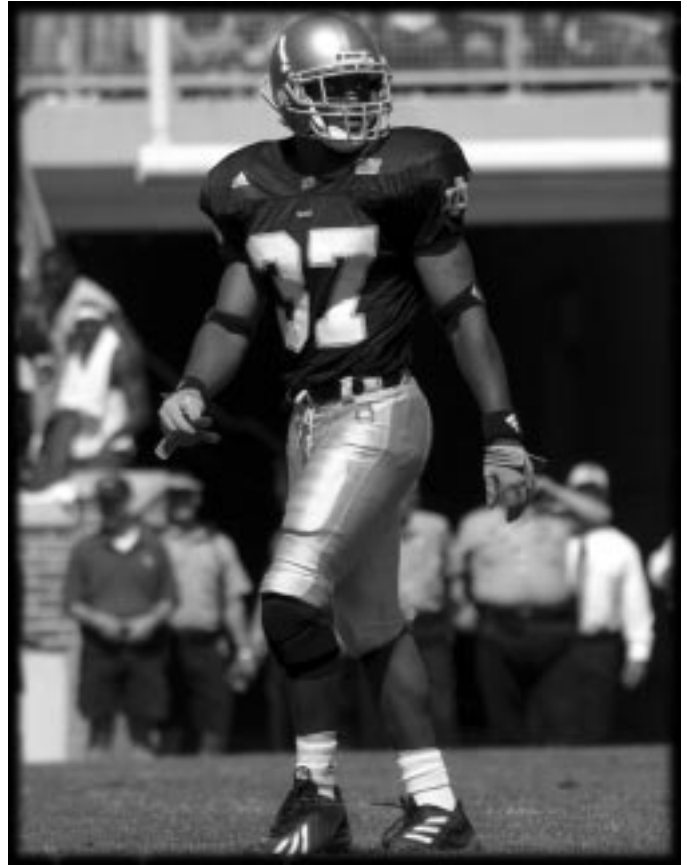
# The Players



**#24  
DWIGHT ELLICK**  
**CORNERBACK**  
**JUNIOR • 5-10 • 177**  
**Tampa, FL (Wharton)**

Irish reserve cornerback in '02 ... played in all 13 games ... played mostly special teams, making over 150 appearances ... saw action at cornerback vs. Maryland and Stanford ... saw action as a return man on kickoffs vs. Boston College ... one of only three freshmen to earn monograms in 2001 and the only defensive player ... has tremendous speed as he earned all-BIG EAST honors after placing third in both the 60 and 200 meters at the 2002 BIG EAST Indoor Track and Field Championships ... also earned a monogram in track and field in '02 ... made first career kickoff return for seven yards vs. Navy ... played only on special teams in '01, appearing in every game except the Nebraska opener ... made 122 special teams appearances ... was Florida Class 4A state champion in 2001 in 100 (10.60) and 200 (21.35) meters at Wharton High School ... career football totals included 2,034 rushing yards and 1,135 receiving yards to go with 38 TDs and 12 interceptions ... New York 100-meter champion in track as junior, with top time of 10.62 in 100 meters ... born Sept. 30, 1982 in Syracuse, N.Y. ... enrolled in the Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Total	KOR	Yds.	Avg.	LG
2001	10-0	2	1	3	0	0	0.0	0
2002	13-0	3	2	5	1	7	7.0	7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23-0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>7</b>

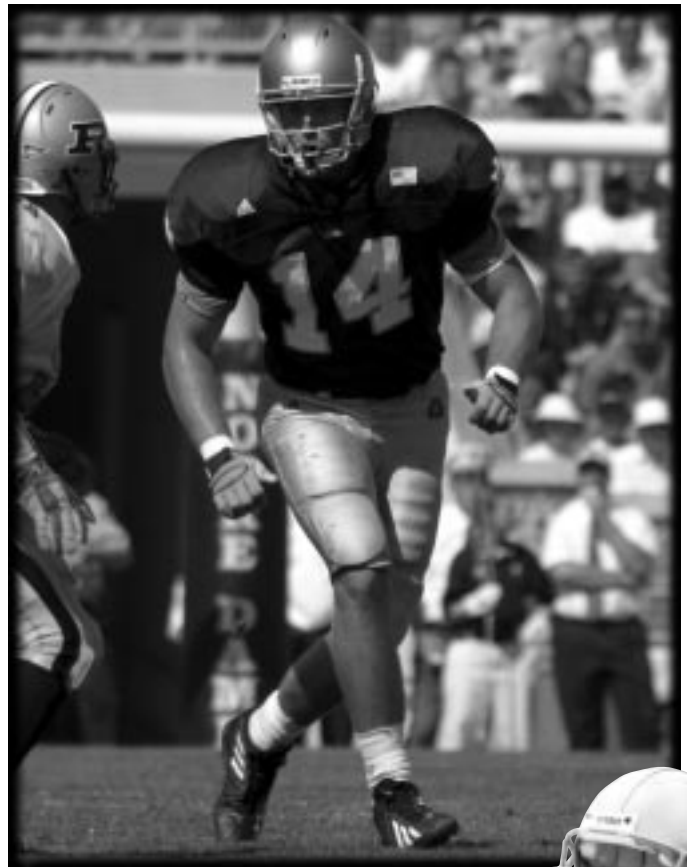


**#14  
GARY GODSEY**  
**TIGHT END**  
**SENIOR • 6-6 • 250**  
**Tampa, FL (Jesuit)**

Irish starting tight end in 2002, his second season at tight end after moving to the position from quarterback in 1999 ... had 16 catches for 155 yards in '02 ... played 262:28 in '02 ... led the Irish in receiving vs. Purdue with career-high four receptions for 30 yards ... made key block to enable Arnaz Battle to score the winning touchdown vs. Michigan State ... Irish reserve tight end in 2001 after seeing time as quarterback in 2000 ... made first start in two-tight end set vs. Nebraska ... made first two catches of his career for 50 yards in the fourth quarter against Navy ... began '00 season as number-two Irish quarterback ... played in first career game vs. Purdue, starting in place of injured Arnaz Battle and leading the Irish to 23-21 win over the Boilermakers ... was 14 for 25 for 158 yards passing vs. Purdue, finishing with more completions and attempts than Purdue standout Drew Brees ... threw first career touchdown pass, six yards to Jason Murray in first quarter against Michigan State ... moved to tight end after the Air Force game ... did not see varsity action as rookie Irish signalcaller in '99 ... *USA Today* honorable mention All-America pick ... rated 55th on list of top 100 national prospects by *The Sporting News* at Jesuit High School ... brother George was starting quarterback at Georgia Tech for 2000 and 2001 seasons ... another brother Greg played football at Air Force ... born March 16, 1981 in Tampa, Fla. ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business majoring in management information systems.

Year	G-GS	PA	PC	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	LG
2000	5-2	41	19	2	.463	224	2	46
2001	11-2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0
2002	13-13	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>29-17</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>.463</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>46</b>

Year	TC	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2000	9	2	0.2	1	9	0	0	0.0	0	0
2001	0	0	0.0	0	0	2	50	25.0	0	26
2002	0	0	0.0	0	0	16	155	9.7	0	20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>26</b>



# The Players



## #41 MIKE GOOLSBY

**INSIDE LINEBACKER**  
**SENIOR • 6-3 • 243**

**Joilet, IL (Catholic)**



Starting inside linebacker for Irish in 2002 after only seeing action on special teams in '01 ... played 249:03 minutes in '02 ... led Irish with 13 tackles for a loss and was third on the team in tackles with 75 ... tied for the team lead in tackles during first career start vs. Maryland with a (then) career-high eight tackles, including his first career sack ... led Irish in tackles vs. Purdue with a career-high 11 tackles, including three tackles for a loss ... also forced a fumble and broke up two passes vs. Purdue ... recorded eight tackles vs. Navy ... tied for team lead in tackles vs. Rutgers with seven, including a career-high two sacks ... recorded first career interception (18-yard return) vs. USC ... also recorded seven tackles vs. USC ... had seven tackles against North Carolina State in 2003 Gator Bowl before suffering a broken clavicle ... reserve inside linebacker in '01, seeing action only on special teams ... made 115 special teams appearances, including 12 vs. Navy ... was one of just four freshmen to play for Irish in 2000 and one of three Irish freshmen to win monograms in 2000 ... played in all 11 games on special teams, making 59 appearances ... *Parade* prep All-America pick ... second-team selection on *USA Today* prep All-America team and 20th on *Chicago Sun-Times* list of top 100 prospects at Joliet Catholic ... from same high school as former Irish and Chicago Bear standout offensive lineman Tom Thayer ... born Sept. 10, 1982, in Joliet, Ill. ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters, majoring in American studies.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Total	TL	Sacks	FF	Int.-Yds	PBU
2000	11-0	1	0	1	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
2001	11-0	2	2	4	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
2002	13-13	48	27	75	13-41	4-21	1	1-18	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>34-13</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>13-41</b>	<b>4-21</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1-18</b>	<b>3</b>



## #4 RYAN GRANT

**RUNNING BACK**  
**JUNIOR • 6-1 • 209**

**Nyack, NY (Don Bosco Prep)**



Irish starting running back in 2002 ... became only the seventh player in Notre Dame history to rush for 1,000 yards in a season (1,085) ... ran for 190 yards against Air Force, the 12th-best single-game rushing total in Irish history ... set (then) career-highs in carries and yards vs. Michigan with 28 carries for 132 yards ... rushed for over 100 yards for the first time in his career against the Wolverines ... recorded two touchdowns vs. Michigan ... rushed for 103 yards on 18 carries vs. Stanford ... rushed for 94 yards on 19 carries vs. Florida State ... scored two touchdowns, including a 31-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter against the Seminoles ... also made three receptions for 15 yards vs. Florida State, both career-highs ... rushed for 107 yards on 27 carries vs. Boston College ... NBC/Chevrolet Player of the Game vs. Boston College ... prior to Boston College game, had scored at least one touchdown in six consecutive games ... Irish reserve tailback who saw first playing time against USC in '01 ... made first career carry vs. Boston College, a four-yard gain ... set career-highs in carries with 19 and yards with a team-leading 77 yards vs. Purdue ... scored first career touchdown vs. Purdue on a 14-yard run ... New Jersey state player of the year for 2000, according to *USA Today* at Don Bosco Prep ... rated Northeast offensive player of the year and top player in New Jersey by SuperPrep ... born Dec. 9, 1982 ... enrolled in the College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	TC	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2001	5-0	29	110	3.8	1	16	0	0	0.0	0	0
2002	13-13	261	1085	4.2	9	38	9	22	2.4	0	14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18-13</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>1195</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>





# The Players



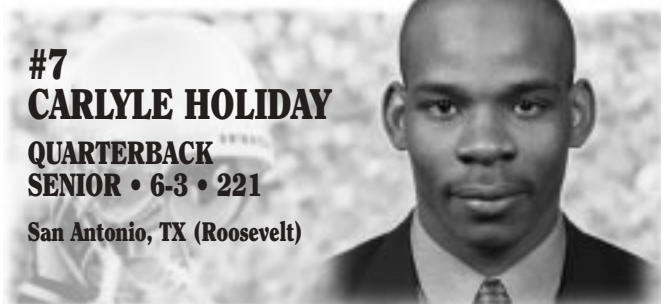
## #50 CEDRIC HILLIARD

**NOSE GUARD**  
**SENIOR • 6-2 • 295**

**Arlington, TX (Lamar)**

Starting nose guard for the Irish in 2002 ... played 212:05 minutes in '02 ... recorded three tackles, including one sack, vs. Maryland...blocked a 32-yard field goal attempt vs. Michigan ... also recorded two tackles, including a sack, and forced a fumble vs. Michigan ... recorded six tackles vs. Pittsburgh, including one sack ... recorded a career-high seven tackles vs. Air Force ... was the 2003 Gator Bowl Player of the Game for Notre Dame ... reserve nose guard for Irish in 2001, until assuming starting role with five games left to play ... finished fifth on the team with eight tackles for loss in '01 ... recorded first career sack vs. Pittsburgh ... reserve nose guard for Irish in 2000 ... did not see varsity action as rookie defensive lineman in '99 ... *USA Today* first-team All-America defensive lineman at Lamar High School ... listed by *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* and *Dallas Morning News* as one of top 100 national prospects ... listed 21st nationally on *Chicago Sun-Times* list of top 100 players ... rated 50th on list of top 100 national prospects by *The Sporting News* ... selected for Texas-California all-star game ... finished third in shot put in '98 Texas state track meet at 58-11 ... born Nov. 19, 1980 in Memphis, Tenn. ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters majoring in sociology.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Total	TL	Sacks	PBU	FF
2000	3-0	2	0	2	1-3	0-0	0	0
2001	11-5	13	14	27	8-25	2-17	1	1
2002	10-10	19	12	31	5-18	2-9	1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24-15</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>14-46</b>	<b>4-26</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>



## #7 CARLYLE HOLIDAY

**QUARTERBACK**  
**SENIOR • 6-3 • 221**

**San Antonio, TX (Roosevelt)**

Starting quarterback for Irish in 2002...became starting Notre Dame quarterback three games into '01 season ... has a career 14-7 record as a starter ... first Notre Dame QB to post three 100-yard rushing games in his career as well as in a season in 2001 ... with 129 completions in '02, was ninth on the Notre Dame all-time single-season list ... was 17-27 for 226 yards vs. Maryland ... passed for 185 yards on 13 completions vs. Florida State, including a 65-yard pass to Arnaz Battle for a touchdown on team's first offensive play from scrimmage ... on 13 completions, passed for career-high 272 yards vs. Navy ... threw career-high four touchdown passes vs. Rutgers, tying the Notre Dame record ... set a Notre Dame record by attempting 126 passes without throwing an interception ... started each of the last eight games for Irish in '01 ... second leading rusher on the team with 666 yards in '01 ... was named NBC/Chevrolet Player of the Game vs. Pittsburgh, West Virginia and USC and ESPN Player of the Game vs. Boston College ... did not see action as rookie signalcaller in 2000 ... rated 48th on *Chicago Sun-Times* list of top 100 players nationally ... four-year starter in basketball who earned second-team all-district honors as senior and finished with more than 1,000 career points ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business, majoring in marketing.

Year	G-GS	PA	PC	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	LG
2001	11-9	144	73	7	.507	784	3	47
2002	12-12	257	129	5	.502	1788	10	67
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>23-21</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>.504</b>	<b>2572</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>67</b>
Year	TC	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.	Yds.	TD
2001	156	666	4.3	2	67	0	0	0
2002	92	200	2.2	3	53	1	30	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>866</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>0</b>



# The Players



## #39 BRANDON HOYTE

**INSIDE LINEBACKER**  
**JUNIOR • 6-0 • 228**

**Parlin, NJ**  
**(Sayreville War Memorial)**



Reserve linebacker for the Irish in 2002 ... second-team selection to the 2002 Verizon Academic All-America District V Football Team ... played in 13 games, starting three including 2003 Gator Bowl ... finished '02 sixth on the team with 57 tackles ... played 100:54 minutes in '02 and made 110 special teams appearances ... led the Irish with a career-high 10 tackles vs. North Carolina State in the Gator Bowl ... also started vs. Maryland and Purdue in place of an ill Courtney Watson ... recorded eight tackles, including one sack, vs. Maryland ... recorded nine tackles vs. Purdue ... tied for second on the team with nine tackles vs. Navy, including two tackles for a loss ... did not see action as a rookie linebacker in '01 ... recorded 90 tackles as senior linebacker in 2000, including 25 for losses, for Sayreville War Memorial High School ... chosen as defensive player of the year by *Newark Star-Ledger* for 2000 ... won High School Heisman award for New Jersey ... born Sept. 26, 1983 ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters as a pre-professional studies major ... has a 3.353 overall grade-point average, including a 3.667 in the spring of '02.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Total	TL	Sacks	FR
2002	13-3	41	16	57	4-11	1-1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13-3</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>4-11</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>1</b>



## #15 PRESTON JACKSON

**CORNERBACK**  
**SENIOR • 5-9 • 177**

**Tampa, FL**  
**(Tampa Hillsborough)**



Reserve cornerback for the Irish in 2002 ... saw action in nickel defense package and on special teams for the Irish ... played 176:39 minutes in '02 and made 141 special team appearances ... recorded career-high three tackles vs. Stanford ... sealed victory for the Irish by recording first career interception vs. Pittsburgh with 1:05 remaining in the fourth quarter ... recorded three tackles vs. Florida State ... made first career start vs. Rutgers as the team opened in a nickel defense ... tied for the team lead with career-high seven tackles vs. Rutgers, including one tackle for a loss ... had five tackles vs. USC, including one tackle for a loss ... had three tackles in the 2003 Gator Bowl vs. North Carolina State ... reserve cornerback for Irish in 2001 ... made 135 special teams appearances ... did not see game action in 2000 as rookie defensive back ... two-time all-district selection at Hillsborough High School ... selected for Florida North-South all-star game and Hillsborough-Polk County all-star contest ... also played basketball, earning three letters and starting at point guard ... cousin Marco Williams played football at Boston College ... cousin Garnell Wilda played football at Virginia Tech ... born Sept. 7, 1981, in Miami ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business, majoring in marketing.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	TL	Int.-Yds.
2001	11-0	3	0	3	0-0	0-0
2002	13-1	20	6	26	3-8	1-0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24-1</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>3-8</b>	<b>1-0</b>



# The Players



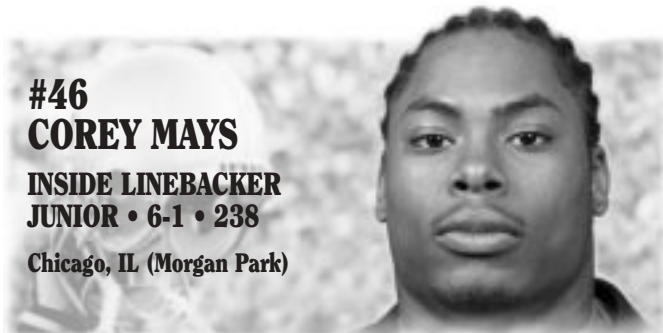
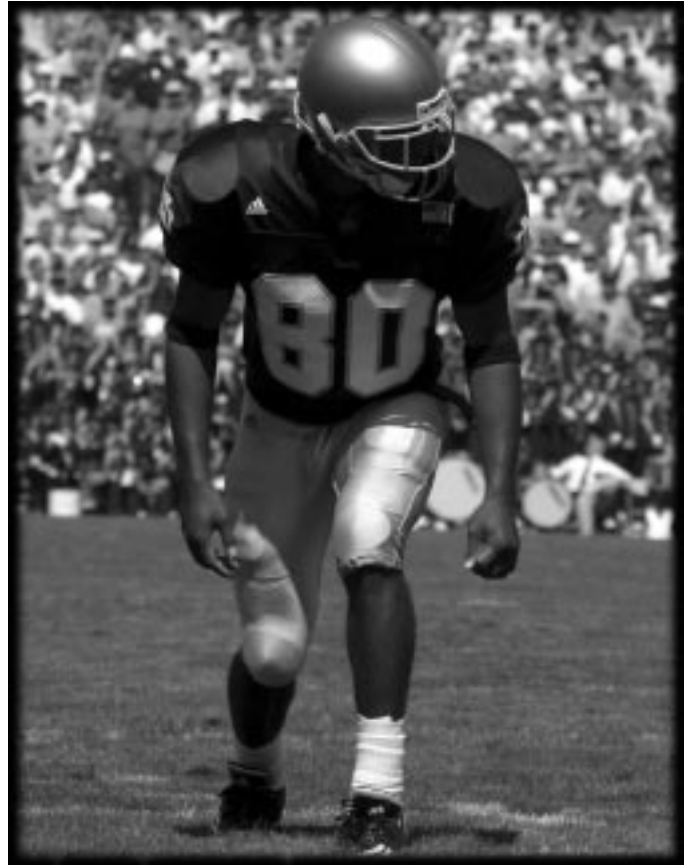
## #80 OMAR JENKINS

**WIDE RECEIVER**  
**SENIOR • 6-1 • 205**

**Dallas, TX (Jesuit)**

Irish starting wide receiver in 2002 ... second on the team in receiving with 37 receptions for 633 yards ... made team leading five receptions vs. Maryland for 87 yards ... led team in receiving vs. Michigan with 83 yards on three receptions ... recorded a career-high 166 yards receiving on four receptions vs. Navy - the most receiving yards since Raghieb "Rocket" Ismail had 173 yards receiving vs. Navy on Nov. 3, 1990 ... also recorded a career-long reception vs. Navy with a 67-yard touchdown pass from Carlyle Holiday, the game-winning score ... tied for the team lead with three receptions for 61 yards vs. Rutgers ... led team in receptions vs. USC with three receptions for 33 yards ... had three catches in the 2003 Gator Bowl ... Irish reserve flanker in 2001 ... made first four career catches, three for first downs, vs. Michigan State ... recorded first career touchdown on a then career-high 47-yard reception vs. Pittsburgh ... Irish reserve flanker in 2000 playing in six games ... earned Texas all-state honors as senior in '99, winning league MVP honors at Jesuit College Prep ... helped team to state titles as junior and senior ... offensive MVP of first DFW All-Star Classic for private schools ... brother DeVon ran track at Houston ... born May 8, 1981, in Dallas ... enrolled in College of Engineering, majoring in mechanical engineering.

Year	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2000	6-0	0	0	0.0	0	0
2001	11-1	7	111	15.9	1	47
2002	13-12	27	633	23.4	3	67
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>30-13</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>744</b>	<b>21.9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>67</b>



## #46 COREY MAYS

**INSIDE LINEBACKER**  
**JUNIOR • 6-1 • 238**

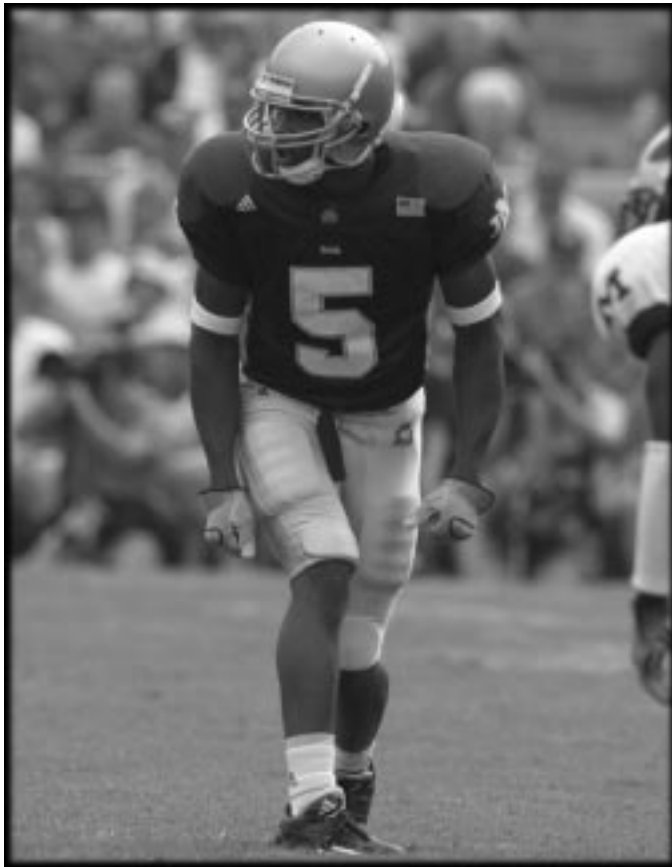
**Chicago, IL (Morgan Park)**

Reserve linebacker for Irish in 2002 ... played in 10 games in 2003, all on special teams, including Gator Bowl ... made 123 special team appearances in 2002 while earning first monogram ... saw first career action against Maryland ... saw action on special teams vs. Purdue ... recorded first career tackle vs. Pittsburgh ... recorded one tackle and first career forced fumble vs. Florida State ... saw action at linebacker vs. Rutgers ... did not see action as a first-year inside linebacker for the Irish in '01 ... second-team pick on *USA Today* prep All-America team ... first-team all-state linebacker on *Chicago Tribune* team for classes 4A-5A-6A ... rated 54th on *Chicago Sun-Times* list of top 100 prospects nationally at Morgan Park High School ... first player from Chicago Public League to play at Notre Dame since All-American Chris Zorich in 1988-90 (from Chicago Vocational) ... selected for Public League all-star game ... won four letters in track, competing in shot put, discus and relays ... achieved 4.2 high school grade-point average ... born Nov. 27, 1983 in Chicago ... had 3.0 grade-point average in the fall of '02 ... enrolled in the College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	FF
2002	10-0	2	2	4	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10-0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>



# The Players



**#5**

## RHEMA MCKNIGHT

**WIDE RECEIVER**  
**SOPHOMORE • 6-2 • 207**

**La Palma, CA (Kennedy)**



Reserve wide receiver in 2002 for the Irish ... played in 12 games as a freshman for a total of 75:49 minutes ... finished with nine catches for 91 yards in '02 ... in first career game, made two receptions for nine yards vs. Maryland ... made two receptions for a career-high 37 yards vs. Boston College, including a career-long reception of 21 yards to convert on third down and keep the Irish's only scoring drive alive ... tied his career-long with a 21-yard reception vs. Rutgers ... also made first career punt return vs. Rutgers, a nine-yard return ... recorded two receptions for 20 yards vs. USC ... rated as top player on *Long Beach Press-Telegram* Best in the West team ... was 41st on *The Sporting News* Hot 101 list at Kennedy High School ... never played organized football until becoming a starter as high school sophomore ... born March 6, 1984 ... enrolled in First Year of Studies.

Year	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	PR	Yds.	Avg.	TD
2002	12-0	9	91	10.1	0	21	1	9	9.0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12-0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>0</b>



**#65**

## SEAN MILLIGAN

**OFFENSIVE GUARD**  
**SENIOR • 6-4 • 291**

**Norcross, GA (Norcross)**



Irish starting right offensive guard in 2002 ... played in 13 games, starting 12 ... played 266:27 minutes in '02 ... helped RB Ryan Grant to 132 yards vs. Michigan, his first career 100-yard rushing game... helped the Irish vs. Stanford to have two running backs rush for over 100 yards (Rashon Powers-Neal with 108 yards and Ryan Grant with 103 yards) for the first time since 1997 ... helped the Irish rush for 335 yards vs. Air Force, a season-high and highest rushing total since '01 game vs. West Virginia on Oct. 13, where the Irish gained 366 yards ... Irish starter at right offensive guard to open 2001 ... made first career start vs. Nebraska, then came off bench vs. Michigan State and Texas A&M after suffering an injury vs. Nebraska ... played in nine games, starting five ... played 143:41 minutes ... Irish backup offensive guard in 2000 ... played in first career game vs. Navy, seeing time as backup right guard ... did not see game action as rookie Irish offensive lineman in '99 ... a *USA Today* second-team All-America offensive lineman ... rated 86th on list of top 100 national prospects by ESPN.com and 56th on a similar list published by *The Sporting News* at Norcross High School ... named Metro Atlanta lineman of the year by Atlanta Touchdown Club ... selected for Georgia-Florida all-star game ... finished third in shot put at Georgia state track meet as junior at 54-6 ... born Feb. 18 1981 in Bellflower, Calif. ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters, majoring in history and computer applications.

Year	G-GS	Time
2000	2-0	6:07
2001	9-5	143:41
2002	13-12	266:27
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24-17</b>	<b>416:15</b>

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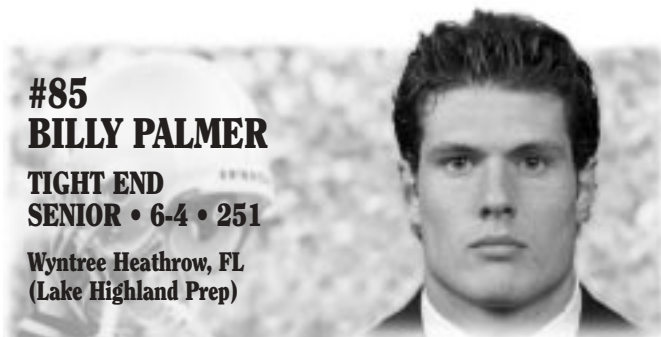
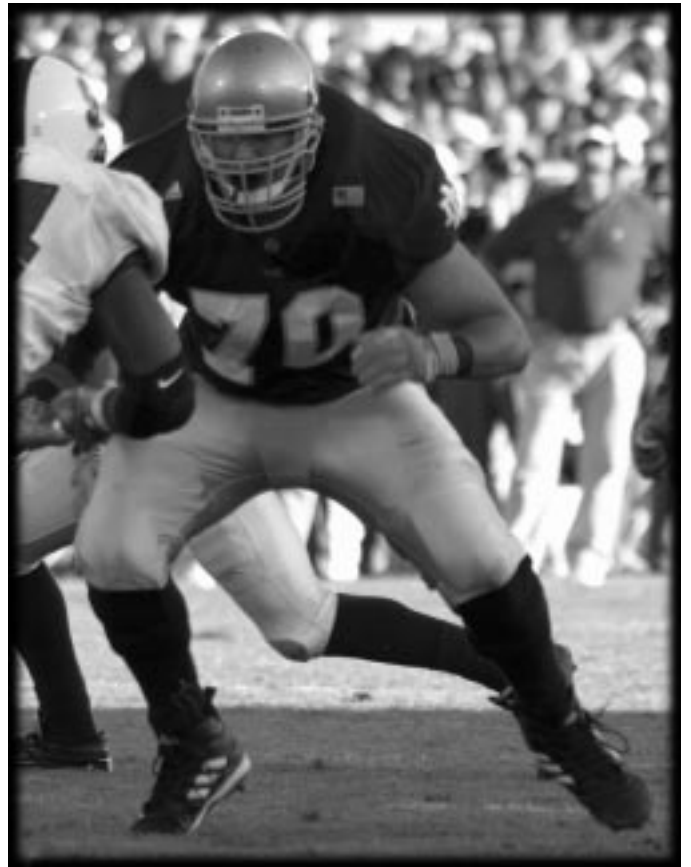
## #70 JIM MOLINARO

**OFFENSIVE TACKLE**  
**SENIOR • 6-6 • 301**

**Bethlehem, PA (Catholic)**

Reserve offensive tackle in 2002 ... saw action in all 13 games, starting three including the 2003 Gator Bowl ... saw action on the line vs. Purdue and Michigan ... played most of second half vs. Michigan State at left tackle ... saw action at right tackle vs. Pittsburgh ... made first career start vs. Rutgers at left tackle ... started at right tackle vs. USC ... moved back to left tackle for Gator Bowl ... played 28:36 minutes in '02 ... reserve offensive tackle in '01 after switching from the defensive side of the ball ... made 20 appearances on special teams ... reserve defensive lineman for Irish in 2000 ... played in first career game vs. Rutgers and made one solo tackle ... did not see varsity action as rookie defensive lineman in '99 ... *USA Today* honorable mention All-America pick at Bethlehem Catholic High School ... first-team Associated Press big school all-state pick in '97 and '98 ... one of five finalists for Pennsylvania Lineman of the Year award ... chosen for McDonald's All-Star Classic all-star game ... father Jim played football at Moravian ... born April 27, 1981 in Hatfield, Pa. ... enrolled in College of Mendoza College of Business, majoring in economics, sociology and computer applications.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	Time
2000	1-0	1	0	1	:33
2001	6-0	0	0	0	2:50
2002	13-3	0	0	0	28:36
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20-3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>31:19</b>



## #85 BILLY PALMER

**TIGHT END**  
**SENIOR • 6-4 • 251**

**Wyntree Heathrow, FL**  
**(Lake Highland Prep)**

Reserve tight end for the Irish in 2002 ... saw action on offense and special teams in all 13 Irish games this season ... made 97 appearances on special teams ... made first career reception vs. Navy, a four-yard catch ... made first career start vs. USC as Irish opened the game with two tight ends ... saw action in one game vs. Navy as a sophomore ... did not have a catch in '01 ... did not see game action in 2000 at tight end position ... helped Lake Highland Prep in Orlando, Fla., to 9-2 mark in '99 as senior tight end, catching eight passes, one for a touchdown ... two-time all-league pick who won all-state honors as senior ... grew up in Canada where his father Bill played in Canadian Football League (linebacker and punter for four different teams) with former Irish athletic director Mike Wadsworth after playing collegiately at Bowling Green ... brother Jesse plays quarterback for the New York Giants ... played tackle with former Irish senior Jeff Faine in 1998 at Seminole (Fla.) High School before transferring to Lake Highland Prep for senior season ... a stand-out rugby player at St. Pius X High School in Canada ... chosen to Team Canada under-18 national rugby squad in 1998, but did not compete because his family moved to Florida ... selected for Florida-Georgia all-star football game and all-Central Florida all-star game ... born Jan. 27, 1981, in Ottawa, Ontario ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business, majoring in marketing and economics.

Year	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2001	1-0	0	0	0.0	0	0
2002	13-1	1	4	4.0	0	4
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>14-1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>



# The Players



## #77 GREG PAULY

**NOSE GUARD/  
DEFENSIVE TACKLE**  
**SENIOR • 6-6 • 291**

**Waukesha, WI (South)**



Reserve nose guard/defensive tackle for Irish in 2002, playing in 12 games ... started three games in '02 in place of injured Cedric Hilliard ... played 98:34 minutes in '02 ... recorded first career tackle, a tackle for a loss of six yards against Stanford ... recorded career-high three tackles vs. Air Force ... recorded two tackles vs. Florida State, including one for a loss of three yards ... helped Notre Dame defense hold Florida State to 93 yards rushing, its lowest rushing total of the season ... made first career start for Irish vs. Boston College, playing at nose guard ... also started vs. Navy and Rutgers and recorded one tackle against the Scarlet Knights ... saw action in one game vs. Navy as a sophomore ... missed the entire 2000 season due to preseason knee surgery to repair anterior cruciate ligament injury ... suffered injury during summer all-star football game ... *Parade* prep All-America pick ... first-team pick on *USA Today* prep All-America team at Waukesha South High School ... selected Wisconsin prep defensive player of the year for '99 by Associated Press ... two-time first-team Wisconsin all-state selection by Associated Press and *Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel* in '99 as offensive guard and defensive tackle and in '98 as offensive tackle ... selected for Wisconsin Shrine all-star game in basketball ... brother Eric played football at Wisconsin ... born March 23, 1982, in Milwaukee, Wis. ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business, majoring in management and economics.

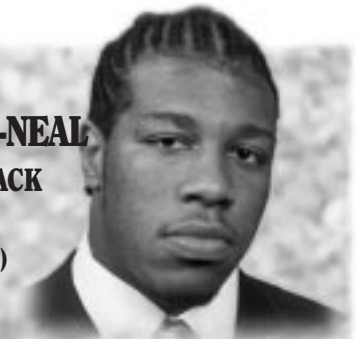
Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	TL
2001	1-0	0	0	0	0-0
2002	12-3	8	3	11	3-10
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>13-3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3-10</b>



## #16 RASHON POWERS-NEAL

**RUNNING BACK/FULLBACK**  
**JUNIOR • 6-2 • 227**

**St. Paul, MN (Cretin-Derham)**



Reserve tailback for the Irish in 2002...played in 10 games in '02 rushing for 333 yards on 73 carries ... in first career game, rushed for 33 yards on eight carries vs. Maryland ... carried the ball seven times for 43 yards vs. Purdue ... recorded career-highs vs. Stanford in carries (13), rushing yards (108), and longest run (27) ... also recorded first career touchdown vs. Stanford on a three-yard rush ... led team vs. Navy in rushing with 51 yards on 17 carries...also rushed for a touchdown vs. Navy ... made first career reception vs. USC for four yards ... did not see action as a rookie tailback in '01 after moving to the offensive side of the ball ... has played multiple positions at Notre Dame including linebacker and safety, finally settling at running back in '02 ... earned 2000 Minnesota all-state honors as both running back and linebacker ... rated 28th on CBS SportsLine.com Midwest Region Super 30 team ... carried 12 times for 353 yards and four TDs in one 2000 game vs. Highland Park ... was also a teammate and cousin of current sophomore tight end Marcus Freeman ... finished fifth in 400 meters in 2000 state track meet ... brother Leon Neal played two years as tailback with Indianapolis Colts in 1996-97 (he was sixth-round draft pick in '96 by Buffalo Bills) after playing collegiately at Washington ... born April 3, 1983, in St. Paul, Minn. ... enrolled in the College of Engineering.

Year	G-GS	TC	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2002	10-0	77	344	4.3	2	27	1	4	4.0	0	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10-0</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>



# The Players

## #18 RONNIE RODAMER

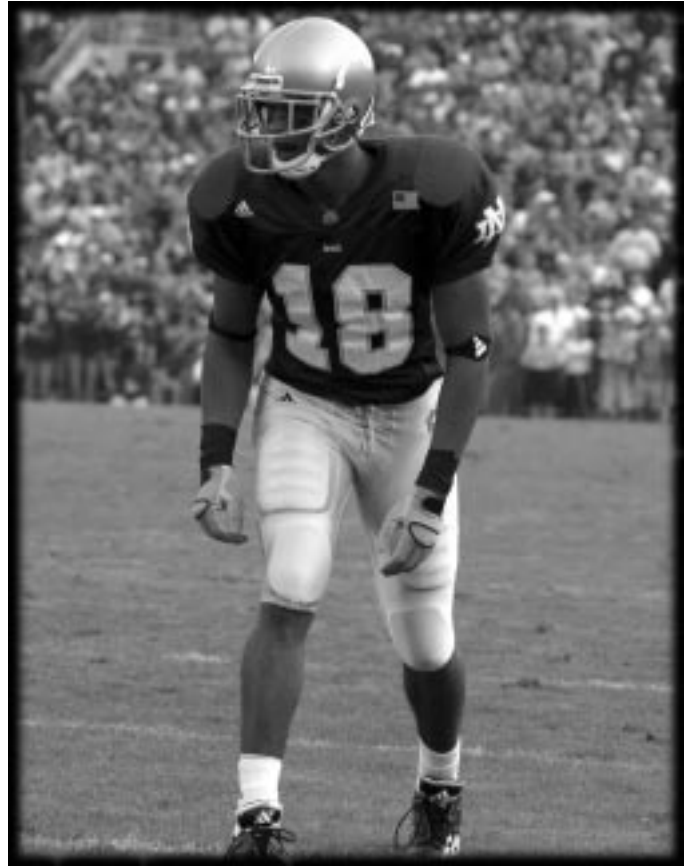
WIDE RECEIVER  
SENIOR • 6-4 • 211

Morgantown, WV (Morgantown)



Irish reserve receiver in 2002 ... played in all 13 games in '02 and 22 games in career ... made first reception of the season vs. Navy, a nine-yard catch ... pulled in a seven-yard catch against North Carolina State in the 2003 Gator Bowl ... Irish reserve receiver as a sophomore in '01 ... made first career appearance vs. Michigan State ... pulled in first career reception for seven yards vs. Navy in '01 ... did not see game action as rookie split end in 2000 ... Gatorade player of the year for '99 in West Virginia ... honorable mention pick on *USA Today* prep All-America squad ... first-team West Virginia all-state pick as senior in '99 after winning second-team honors as defensive back as junior in '98 at Morgantown High School ... finished with career totals of 70 catches for 1,467 yards and 26 TDs ... born July 24, 1982 in Morgantown, W. Va. ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters, majoring in sociology, economics and computer applications.

Year	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2001	9-0	1	7	7.0	0	7
2002	13-0	2	14	7.0	0	9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22-0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>



## #13 NICHOLAS SETTA

KICKER/PUNTER  
SENIOR • 5-11 • 184

Lockport, IL  
(Lockport Township)



Notre Dame's placekicker the past three seasons ... also handles kickoff duties for Irish ... named to the Lou Groza preseason watch list by *Street & Smith's* ... finished the '02 season 14-25 in FGs and 32-32 in PATs ... made a career-high five field goals vs. Maryland, including a career-long 51-yarder...named *USA Today.com* National Player of the Week for his efforts vs. Maryland ... also earned MVP honors for the Kickoff Classic after setting game records for field goals and field-goal attempts ... his 51-yard field goal tied him for the second longest field goal in Irish history ... became first kicker in Notre Dame history to kick one field goal in each quarter vs. Maryland ... had kicked a field goal in 16 consecutive games, a Notre Dame record, before failing to do so vs. Michigan State ... has made 87 consecutive PATs which ranks as the second-longest streak in school history ... recorded one of the best seasons in Irish history for a kicker in '01 converting 15-17 FGs and 23-23 PATs ... made all eight field goal attempts of 40 yards or longer in '01 ... led Notre Dame in scoring (74) in '00 ... named NBC Sports/Chevrolet Notre Dame MVP for his efforts against Purdue on '00 ... named *USAToday.com* player of the week and *Collegefootballnews.com* player of the week for effort vs. Purdue ... not see game action as rookie Irish kicker and punter in '99 ... competed with Irish indoor track team from '00-'02 ... *Parade* prep All-American ... *USA Today* first-team All-America punter ... brother Piero played football at College of Saint Francis and soccer at Illinois Benedictine ... born May 6, 1981 ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business, majoring in finance.

Year	G-GS	FGs	LG	PATs	Pts.	Punts	Yds.	Avg.	LP
2000	11-0	8-14	47	44-45	74	4	160	40.0	47
2001	11-0	15-17	47	23-23	68	0	0	0.0	0
2002	13-0	14-25	51	32-32	74	0	0	0.0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>35-0</b>	<b>37-56</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>99-100</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>40.0</b>	<b>47</b>
Year	TC	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	PA	PC	Yds.	TD
2000	1	5	5.0	1	5	1	1	25	1
2001	1	-3	-3.0	0	-3	0	0	0	0
2002	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>1</b>



# The Players



## #82 MATT SHELTON

**WIDE RECEIVER**  
**JUNIOR • 6-1 • 177**

**Collierville, TN (Collierville)**



Irish reserve receiver in 2002 ... made first career appearance vs. Maryland ... made first career kickoff return (12-yard return) vs. Michigan ... made first career reception vs. Rutgers, an 18-yard catch from Pat Dillingham ... did not see action as a rookie wide receiver in '01 ... competed as a freshman member of the Notre Dame track and field team during the indoor season ... rushed 39 times for 258 yards and two touchdowns as senior despite knee injury that cut his season in half at Collierville High School ... finished with 1,212 all-purpose yards as junior in '99 as receiver and running back ... made 61 tackles and four interceptions as junior ... honorable mention all-state pick as junior ... won two letters in track as sprinter ... born April 1, 1982 in Memphis, Tenn. ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business ... posted a 3.133 grade-point average in the spring of '02.

Year	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	KR	Yds.	Avg.	Long
2002	10-0	1	18	18.0	0	18	1	12	12.0	12
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10-0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>12</b>



## #74 DAN STEVENSON

**OFFENSIVE TACKLE**  
**JUNIOR • 6-5 • 297**

**Barrington, IL (Barrington)**



Reserve offensive guard for Irish in 2002 ... played in 11 games in 2003, including making first career start vs. North Carolina State in the Gator Bowl ... made first career appearance for the Irish vs. Maryland ... saw most action at guard until the Gator Bowl when he moved to right tackle ... became a regular part of the offensive line rotation and saw much more playing time as the season progressed ... played 82:23 minutes this season ... did not see action as a rookie offensive guard in '01 ... *Parade* prep All-American ... rated 95th on the *Chicago Sun-Times* list of top 100 prospects nationally ... rated as top offensive lineman in Midwest at Barrington High School ... won three letters in track, qualifying for state meet at 153 feet in discus and 54 feet in shot put ... two-time captain and all-league pick in track ... father Mark played at Missouri and for Detroit Lions as a center/guard in 1985 ... brother Tony played football at Arizona State and brother Joey at Arizona Western ... born Oct. 24, 1982, in Chicago ... enrolled in the Mendoza College of Business ... recorded a 3.133 grade-point average in the spring of '02.

Year	G-GS	Time
2002	11-1	82:23
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11-1</b>	<b>82:23</b>





# The Players

## #21 MAURICE STOVALL

**WIDE RECEIVER**  
**SOPHOMORE • 6-5 • 221**

**Philadelphia, PA**  
**(Archbishop Carroll)**



Reserve wide receiver in 2002 for the Irish ... named to the third-team of *The Sporting News'* freshman All-America team ... played in all 13 games seeing 146:50 minutes of action ... finished season with 18 catches for 312 yards ... in first career game, made a 16-yard reception vs. Maryland ... had 41-yard reception on second play of the game vs. Michigan ... made two receptions for 59 yards vs. Michigan State, including a career-long 44-yard reception ... also scored first career touchdown on a 15-yard reception vs. Michigan State ... was on the cover of *Sports Illustrated* for the week of Sept. 25 ... made three receptions for 33 yards vs. Boston College, including a 20-yard touchdown catch ... had touchdown catch vs. Rutgers ... first-team *USA Today* prep All-America pick ... co-Catholic League Player of the Year by *Philadelphia Daily News* ... rated 32nd player nationally by *Chicago Sun-Times* ... first-team all-state as senior as all-purpose defender ... *Delaware County Daily Times* player of the year for '01 ... starter for East in U.S. Army All-America Bowl in San Antonio ... selected for Pennsylvania Big 33 All-Star game ... two-time captain and all-state pick in track ... set area records at 23.1 in 200 meters and 50.7 in 400 meters ... born Feb. 21, 1985, in Philadelphia ... enrolled in First Year of Studies.

Year	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2002	13-0	18	312	17.3	3	44
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13-0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>17.3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>44</b>



## #44 JUSTIN TUCK

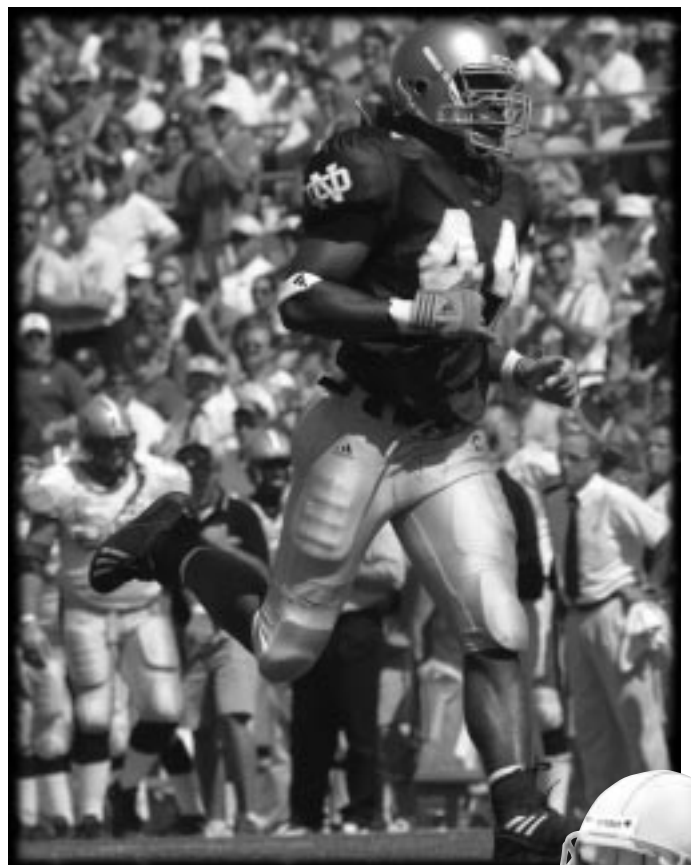
**DEFENSIVE END**  
**JUNIOR • 6-5 • 238**

**Kellyton, AL**  
**(Central Coosa County)**



Reserve defensive end for Irish in 2002 ... serves as a pass-rush specialist in nickel and dime defenses ... played in all 13 games, starting one ... played 180:24 minutes in '02 ... named a third-team freshman All-American by *The Sporting News* in '02 ... finished the season with 44 tackles including 33 solos in '02 ... in first career game, recorded two tackles vs. Maryland at defensive end ... had first career sack vs. Michigan State ... posted five tackles vs. Stanford, including two tackles for a loss ... had six tackles vs. Pittsburgh, including two sacks for a total loss of nine yards ... also had first career forced fumble and broke up a pass vs. Pittsburgh ... tied for second on the team with career-high nine tackles vs. Navy...made first career start for Irish vs. Rutgers ... recorded four tackles vs. Rutgers, including one sack for a loss of eight yards... recorded six tackles vs. USC, including one tackle for a loss ... did not see action as a rookie outside linebacker in '01 ... named Alabama Class 4A player of the year as senior in '00 at Central Coosa County High School ... earned Alabama all-state honors as senior ... selected for all-star game between Alabama and Mississippi prep stars ... MVP of Alabama 4A state championship basketball team ... cousin Adalius Jones played at Southern Mississippi and now is with Baltimore Ravens ... sister Tiffany played basketball at Lincoln ... born March 29, 1983 ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	TL	Sacks	PBU	FF
2002	13-1	33	11	44	10-36	5-26	2	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13-1</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>10-36</b>	<b>5-26</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>



# The Players



## #33 COURTNEY WATSON

**INSIDE LINEBACKER**  
**SENIOR • 6-1 • 234**

**Sarasota, FL (Riverview)**



Starting inside linebacker for Irish in 2002 ... led team with 90 tackles in '02 ... named a first-team All-American by ESPN.com and a third-teamer by *The Sporting News* and Associated Press ... Butkus Award finalist given to the nation's best linebacker ... in first appearance of the season, led the team in tackles vs. Michigan with nine ... led team in tackles vs. Michigan State with 15, including 12 solos and the first two sacks of the season for a total loss of 19 yards ... recorded second career interception return for a touchdown vs. Stanford, on a 34-yard interception return...also had a team-high 11 tackles vs. Stanford ... had nine tackles vs. Pittsburgh and Air Force ... recorded 10 tackles and an interception vs. Florida State ... led team with 12 tackles vs. Navy, including one sack for a loss of eight yards ... also sealed the win vs. Navy by making his third interception of the year ... had a 60-yard interception return vs. USC ... recorded seven tackles vs. USC ... second on the team in tackles with 76 in '01 ... led Irish with a career-high 18 tackles vs. Nebraska ... named ABC/Chevrolet Most Valuable Player for Notre Dame vs. Nebraska ... had a 33-yard interception return, the first of his career, for a touchdown vs. Tennessee ... reserve inside linebacker for Notre Dame in 2000 ... played on defense in nine games in '00 ... played on special teams in each game, making 175 regular-season special team appearances to win a monogram, then 18 more vs. Oregon State in Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... did not see varsity action for Irish in '99 ... selected for Florida Shrine Bowl all-star game ... born Sept. 18, 1980 in Sarasota, Fla ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business, majoring in management.

Year	G-GS	Solo	Asst.	Total	TL	Sacks	FR	PBU	INT	TD
2000	11-0	8	3	11	1-15	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2001	11-11	35	41	76	13-27	2-10	1-0	3	1-31	1
2002	10-10	51	39	90	10-39	3-27	0-0	8	4-123	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32-21</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>24-81</b>	<b>5-37</b>	<b>1-0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5-154</b>	<b>2</b>



## #11 MARCUS WILSON

**RUNNING BACK**  
**JUNIOR • 5-11 • 198**

**Staten Island, NY (Poly Prep)**



Reserve tailback for the Irish in 2002 ... had 39 rushes for 110 yards in '02 ... in first career game, rushed for four yards on two carries vs. Maryland ... rushed for 35 yards on seven carries vs. Stanford...recorded career-highs vs. Air Force in carries (10), rushing yards (44) and longest run (17) ... made career-long 10-yard reception vs. Rutgers ... did not see action as a rookie tailback after injuring his foot in preseason camp ... rushed for 1,712 yards and 25 touchdowns as senior in 2000 at Poly Prep ... rated 10th-best player in New York by *SuperPrep* ... selected for Governors Bowl all-star game between New York and New Jersey stars ... helped high school 4x100 relay team to 41.8 mark in national meet that ranked as second fastest time in the country at that time ... his '01 4x200 relay team ran fifth fastest time in high school history at 128.32 ... from same high school as former Irish center/guard JW Jordan ... born Sept. 25, 1983 in Staten Island, N.Y. ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	TC	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2002	10-0	39	110	2.8	0	17	4	16	4.0	0	10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10-0</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>

