

## 3 ARNAZ BATTLE

*Flanker • 6-1 • 213 • Senior • 2-22-80  
Shreveport, LA • C.E. Byrd*



First season as receiver in 2001 featured three starts at flanker, five receptions, and a fractured fibula in second game of season that kept him out of the lineup for four weeks ... caught two passes each vs. Nebraska and Boston College and started vs. Michigan State, Navy and Purdue ... started at quarterback in first two games in 2000, then missed remainder of season with broken wrist suffered on first play vs. Nebraska, though he played rest of the game ... threw for 133 yards and two touchdowns and ran for 50 more yards in first career start vs. Texas A&M ... led team with 107 rushing yards vs. Nebraska ... won monograms as backup Irish quarterback in '99 and '98 ... earned playing time in seven games in '99, after playing in four contests as a rookie in '98 ... scored late touchdown vs. Kansas on 74-yard run in '99 opener, for longest Irish play from scrimmage in '99 ... played extensively vs. USC in '98 in absence of injured starter Jarious Jackson, completing seven of 19 throws for 94 yards and rushing seven times for 25 yards vs. Trojans ... former *Parade* prep All-American at Byrd High School in Shreveport, La. ... earned 3.0 grade-point average during 2001 fall semester ... sociology major in College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Time	Att.	Comp	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	LG
1998	4-0	27:47	20	8	2	.400	134	0	40
1999	7-0	31:22	15	7	1	.467	84	0	30
2000	2-2	48:10	31	13	1	.419	173	2	46
2001	7-3	87:22	1	1	0	1.000	17	0	17

**TOTAL 20-51 95:41 67 29 4 .453 408 2 46**

Year	TC	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.	Yds.	TD	LG
1998	13	53	4.1	0	14	0	0	0	0
1999	19	100	5.3	1	74	0	0	0	0
2000	26	157	6.0	0	44	0	0	0	0
2001	3	8	2.7	0	17	5	40	0	15

**TOTAL 61 318 5.2 1 74 5 40 0 15**



**ARNAZ  
BATTLE**

## 9 JASON BECKSTROM

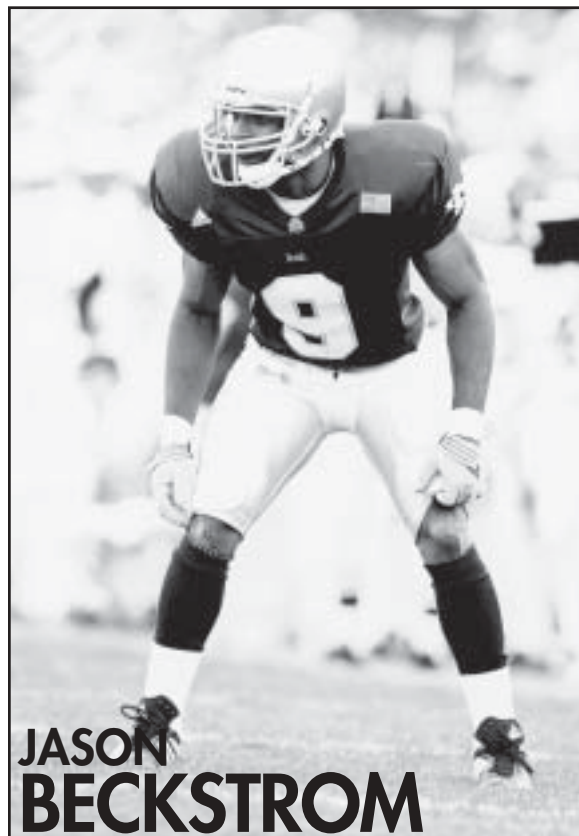
*Cornerback • 5-10 • 188 • Senior • 4-10-81  
Tulsa, OK • Jenks*



Played in every game in 2001 at cornerback, starting vs. West Virginia and Boston College as Irish opened game with five defensive backs ... first career interception came vs. Purdue and featured 29-yard runback ... had three tackles and recovered a fumble vs. Tennessee ... ranks fifth on Irish in career special-team appearances with 260 ... ran 60 and 200 meters for 2002 Notre Dame indoor track team ... played in every 2000 game with Irish special teams and saw action in secondary in all but West Virginia contest ... started at cornerback vs. Stanford and Rutgers as part of nickel package, then started vs. USC after Shane Walton broke his arm vs. Rutgers ... had five tackles vs. Air Force and Rutgers, and two more plus a fumble recovery in 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... earned a monogram as rookie Irish cornerback in '99 ... played in 10 games in '99 (all but Pittsburgh and Boston College games), seeing action in secondary in eight games and making 73 special-team appearances ... made five tackles vs. Stanford ... helped Jenks (Okla.) High School to three straight Oklahoma Class 6A state titles from 1996-98 ... from same high school that produced current offensive lineman Sean Mahan ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Astt.	Tot	FR	FC	PBU	Int.-Yds
1999	10-0	33:22	8	1	9	0	1	1	0-0
2000	11-3	84:00	16	1	17	0	0	3	0-0
2001	11-2	75:28	8	5	13	1	0	2	1-29

**TOTAL 21-3 192:50 24 2 26 1 1 4 1-29**



**JASON  
BECKSTROM**

# PLAYERS

## 26 GARRON BIBLE

*Cornerback • 5-10 • 197 • Junior • 12-22-81  
Kingwood, TX • Kingwood*



**GARRON  
BIBLE**



Irish cornerback played in all 11 games in 2001 exclusively with kicking teams, making 105 special-team appearances ... made four tackles vs. Navy ... did not see game action as rookie tailback in 2000 ... rated one of top 100 prep players in state in 1999 by *Dallas Morning News* and *Houston Chronicle* ... Texas District 22-5A offensive MVP in '99 – and also earned first-team all-district running back honors ... rushed 220 times for 1,516 yards and 18 TDs in nine games as senior in '99 ... caught 10 passes for 145 yards and one TD in '99 ... helped Kingwood High School team to eight victories in '99 ... career totals included 1,756 rushing yards and 22 rushing TDs, plus 105 receiving yards and one TD ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Asst.	Tot.
2001	11-0	–	2	2	4

## 78 JORDAN BLACK

*Offensive Guard • 6-6 • 305 • Senior • 1-28-80  
Rowlett, TX • Dallas Christian*



**JORDAN  
BLACK**



Starter in all 11 games on Irish offensive line in 2001 and now has started 23 straight games ... opened first seven games at left tackle in '01, then last four at right guard ... *Football News* all-independent choice for '01 ... Irish leader in career minutes played with 754:08 ... first on Irish offense in career games started with 31 and fourth in games played (31) ... Irish all-star opened in all 12 games in 2000, including 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl, at left offensive tackle ... named to all-independent team for 2000 and '01 by [Collegefootballnews.com](http://Collegefootballnews.com) ... Irish starter at left offensive tackle through first nine games in '99 season ... missed final three games in '99 after tearing his right knee MCL vs. Tennessee ... part of youthful '99 Notre Dame offensive line that helped Irish rank 19th nationally in total offense ... did not see game action as rookie offensive tackle for Irish in '98 ... *USA Today* honorable mention All-America pick as senior at Dallas Christian High School in Mesquite, Texas ... helped Dallas Christian win state private-school titles in '97 and '95 ... claimed all-state honors as senior in '97 on both offense and defense, also earning that honor offensively as sophomore and junior ... a psychology major in College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Time
1999	9-9	232:22
2000	11-11	243:49
2001	11-11	277:57
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>31-31</b>	<b>754:08</b>

# 92 KYLE BUDINSCAK

*Defensive End • 6-4 • 270 • Junior • 8-20-82  
Bridgewater, NJ • Raritan*



Played in all 11 games for Irish in '01 at defensive end and tackle, starting vs. West Virginia and Purdue ... made five tackles vs. Purdue, three vs. Texas A&M ... an Academic all-district choice for '01 ... Academic All-America nominee ... did not see game action as first-year defensive lineman in 2000 ... won New Jersey all-state honors as prep senior in '99 ... Somerset County defensive player of the year for '99 by *Newark Star-Ledger* ... first-team all-Somerset County and second-team pick as defensive lineman on Group 4 team by *Star-Ledger* ... made 69 tackles, 10 sacks, seven hurries, a fumble recovery and a blocked kick as senior in '99 at Raritan High School in Bridgewater, N.J. ... two-time all-conference pick who was team captain as senior ... boasts 3.444 cumulative grade-point average, including 3.917 during 2001 fall semester ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Asst.	Tot.
2001	11-2	83:13	6	7	13



**KYLE  
BUDINSCAK**

# 60 DARRELL CAMPBELL

*Defensive Tackle • 6-4 • 288 • Senior • 7-6-81  
South Holland, IL • Thornwood*



Irish starter at defensive tackle in 2001 ... made five tackles vs. Navy, four vs. Texas A&M ... did not start vs. West Virginia (neck spasms) and Purdue (sprained knee) ... had a sack vs. West Virginia and forced a fumble and has two tackles for loss vs. USC ... played in nine games in 2000 as backup defensive end, including 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... recovered a fumble vs. Michigan State ... made two tackles vs. West Virginia ... did not see game action as rookie Irish defensive lineman in '99 ... a *USA Today* honorable mention prep All-America selection ... rated one of top 100

prep players nationally by *Chicago Sun-Times* ... first-team Illinois all-state selection in '98 by *Chicago Tribune* ... named top player in SICA Blue for '98 as senior at Thornwood High School in South Holland, Ill. ... played nose guard as high school senior, inside linebacker as junior, defensive end as sophomore ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	TL	Sacks	FR	FC
2000	8-0	27:23	3	0	3	2-3	0-0	1	0
2001	11-9	191:05	12	14	26	7-29	3-18	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>19-19</b>	<b>218:28</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>9-32</b>	<b>3-18</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

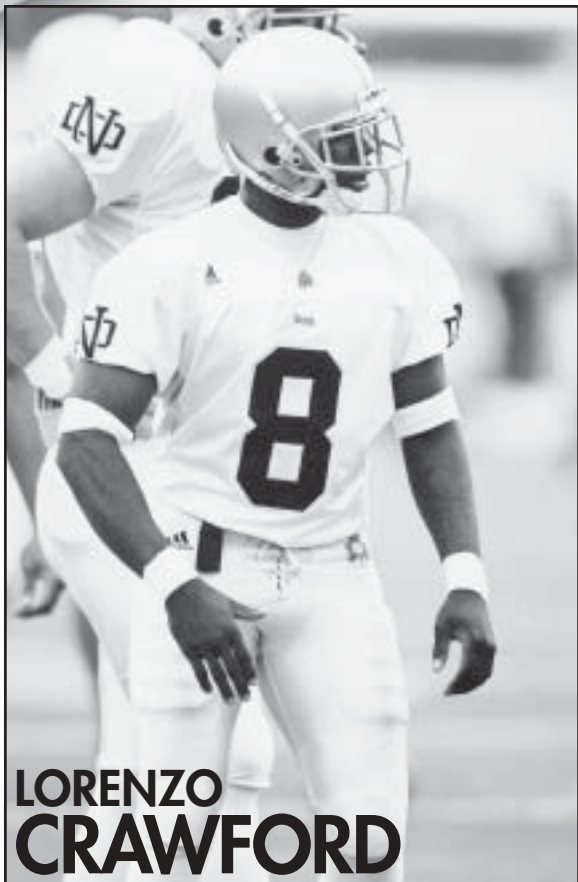


**DARRELL  
CAMPBELL**

# PLAYERS

## 8 LORENZO CRAWFORD

*Flanker • 5-10 • 195 • Junior • 7-17-82  
Prospect Park, NJ • Paterson Catholic*



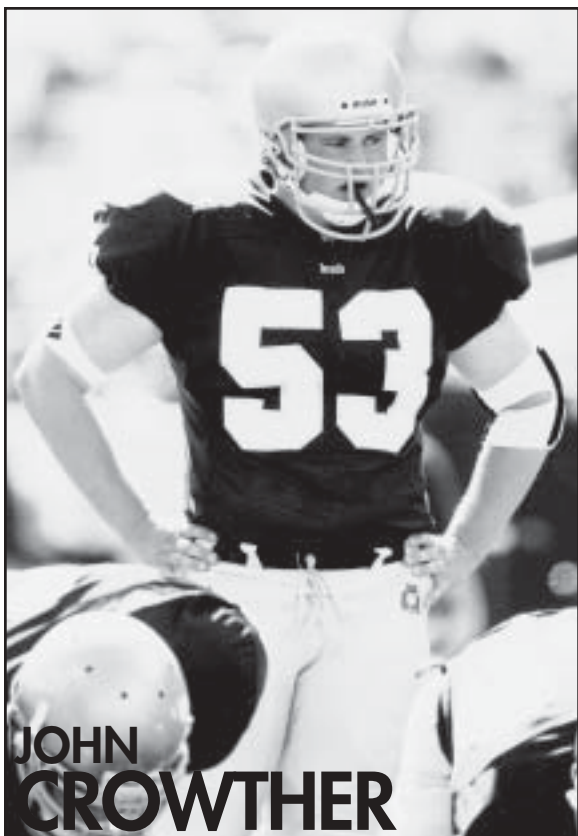
**LORENZO  
CRAWFORD**



Won a monogram as reserve wide receiver for Irish in '01 ... played in eight games, starting vs. Pittsburgh and West Virginia as Irish opened with multiple wide receiver sets ... did not see game action as rookie flanker in 2000 ... honorable mention pick on *USA Today* prep All-America squad for '99 ... named '99 Passaic County offensive player of the year by *Newark Star-Ledger* ... caught 37 passes for 858 yards and 14 touchdowns as senior in 1999 ... returned four kicks for TDs (three kickoffs and a punt) in '99 ... first-team New Jersey all-state pick in '99 by Associated

Press ... also played safety on defense ... scored four TDs (on 63- and 22-yard receptions, a three-yard run and a 50-yard onside kick return) in Paterson Catholic's 34-8 victory in NJSIAA Parochial Group 2 title game ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Time
2001	8-2	28:14



**JOHN  
CROWTHER**

## 53 JOHN CROWTHER

*Center • 6-2 • 239 • Senior • 1-17-80  
Edina, MN • Edina*



Made 107 combined special-team appearances while playing in all 11 games in 2001 as Irish snapper for field goals, PATs and punts ... played in all 12 games in 2000 as third-string center, including 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl, working primarily as special-team snapper on field goals and extra points ... earned a monogram thanks to 60 regular-season special-team appearances ... an Academic All-America nominee for Notre Dame in 2000 and 2001 and an Academic All-America all-district pick in '01 ... received 2000 Westwood One/State Farm Student-Athlete of the Year

Award and 2001 Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Student-Athlete award ... boasts 3.704 cumulative grade-point average, including 3.917 during 2001 fall semester ... finance major in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Time
2000	11-0	—
2001	11-0	—
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22-0</b>	<b>—</b>

## 49 DEREK CURRY

*Outside Linebacker • 6-3 • 233 • Junior • 9-5-81  
Sealy, TX • Sealy*



Played in all 11 games in 2001, seeing action in seven contests as reserve linebacker and making 49 special-team appearances ... did not see game action as rookie outside linebacker in 2000 ... honorable mention pick on *USA Today* '99 prep All-America team ... rated one of top 100 players in state by *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*, *Dallas Morning News* and *Houston Chronicle* ... first-team pick as linebacker on Texas District 25-3A team – and also won district defensive MVP award ... helped Sealy to state title game as senior in '99 ... recorded 143 tackles, four sacks, eight tackles

for losses and three interceptions as senior in '99 ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Asst. Tot.	TL
2001	11-0	11:16	0	2 2	1-1



## 63 BRENNAN CURTIN

*Offensive Tackle • 6-8 • 305 • Senior • 6-30-80  
Palm Beach, FL • Benjamin*



Started six games at offensive tackle for Irish in 2001 ... began the season as a reserve at tackle but opened at tackle vs. Michigan State, as well as Texas A&M, Tennessee, Navy, Stanford and Purdue – the last four after regular tackle Jordan Black switched to guard ... played in five games in 2000 as backup at left offensive tackle behind Black, including lengthy stint in 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... also saw action in 2000 vs. Navy, West Virginia, Rutgers and USC ... did not play in a game as first-year offensive lineman in '99 ... a *USA Today* honorable mention prep All-America

pick in '98 ... named to Super Southern 100 team by *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* ... played offensive guard and defensive tackle in '98 as senior at The Benjamin School in North Palm Beach, Fla. ... father Barry is a '65 Notre Dame graduate ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters.

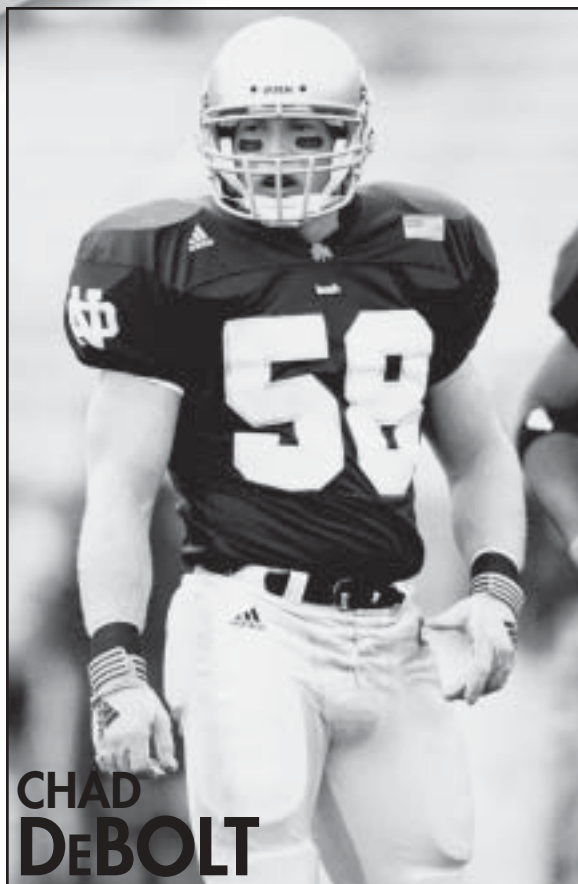
Year	G-GS	Time
2000	4-0	25:50
2001	11-6	209:57
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15-6</b>	<b>235:47</b>



# PLAYERS

## 58 CHAD DeBOLT

*Inside Linebacker • 6-0 • 193 • Senior • 3-9-80  
Waterloo, NY • Waterloo*



**CHAD  
DeBOLT**



Won monograms in 2000 and 2001 based on special-team work ... played in all 11 games in 2001, making 73 special-team appearances ... played in all 12 games in '00, including 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl, working with kick return and coverage units ... made tackles vs. Michigan State, West Virginia, Air Force and USC ... recovered a fumble on blocked punt vs. Rutgers ... blocked a punt himself vs. USC, setting up second Irish touchdown ... three-year letterwinner in lacrosse who handles faceoffs for Irish and helped '01 Notre Dame squad to NCAA semifinals ... a chemical engineering major in College of Engineering.

Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Asst.	Tot.
2000	11-0	—	3	1	4
2001	11-0	—	2	1	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22-0</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>

## 34 VONTEZ DUFF

*Cornerback • 5-11 • 194 • Junior • 3-8-82  
Copperas Cove, TX • Copperas Cove*



**VONTEZ  
DUFF**



Started last eight games at cornerback for Irish in 2001 ... led team in interceptions with three, one each vs. USC, Boston College and Stanford ... made career-high five tackles vs. Purdue and also returned a kickoff 96 yards for a touchdown ... one of three freshmen to earn monograms for the Irish in 2000 ... only rookie to play on defense in 2000 ... worked as reserve cornerback, also making 77 regular-season special-team appearances ... played in all 12 games, including 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... made first appearance at corner vs. Navy, then intercepted a pass vs. Rutgers ... rated 12th on *The Sporting News* list of top 101 prospects for '99 ... carried 194 times for 1,145 yards and 12 touchdowns as senior in '99 ... helped team to 9-2 mark in '99, including district title and first-round state playoff loss ... helped Bulldogs to Texas Class 5A state playoffs in '98 for first time in 37 years ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	PBU	Int
2000	11-0	17:23	3	1	4	1	1-4
2001	11-8	198:26	14	11	25	6	3-37
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22-8</b>	<b>215:49</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4-41</b>

Year	KO Ret.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LR	Punt Ret.	Yds.	Avg.	LR
2001	12	358	29.8	1	96	9	80	8.9	17

## 28 DONALD DYKES

*Free Safety • 5-11 • 194 • Senior • 3-10-80  
Hammond, LA • Hammond*



Starter at free safety for Irish in '01 in first seven games and eight overall ... finished fourth in tackles with 48, including 13 vs. Nebraska, seven vs. Texas A&M ... recovered fumbles vs. Nebraska and USC ... ranks fourth on Irish roster in career tackles with 79 ... also second among defense in games played at 31 and third in minutes played at 274:34 ... also has made 450 special-teams appearances in his career, second only to Gerome Sapp (477) ... played in 11 games in 2000 as backup defensive back, including in 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... had three tackles each vs. Purdue

and Navy ... made first career start vs. Rutgers as Irish opened in dime package ... led team with 235 regular-season special-team appearances ... saw action in all 12 games in '99 as backup cornerback ... made 160 special-team appearances, with high of three tackles vs. Pittsburgh ... did not play as first-year Irish defensive back in '98 ... fractured left clavicle suffered Sept. 16 in practice curtailed his rookie-year contributions ... prep standout as defensive back at Hammond High School in Hammond, La. ... father Donald Sr. played at Southeastern Louisiana and then for NFL New York Jets (1979-81, after being picked in third round of '79 draft) and San Diego Chargers (1982) and now coaches at Delta State ... an economics major in College of Arts and Letters

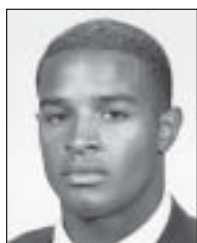
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1999	12-0	27:32	8	5	13	0-0	0-0	0	0
2000	10-1	64:22	12	6	18	0-0	0-0	0	0
2001	9-8	182:40	28	20	48	2-11	1-10	1	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>31-9</b>	<b>274:34</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>2-11</b>	<b>1-10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>



**DONALD  
DYKES**

## 19 GLENN EARL

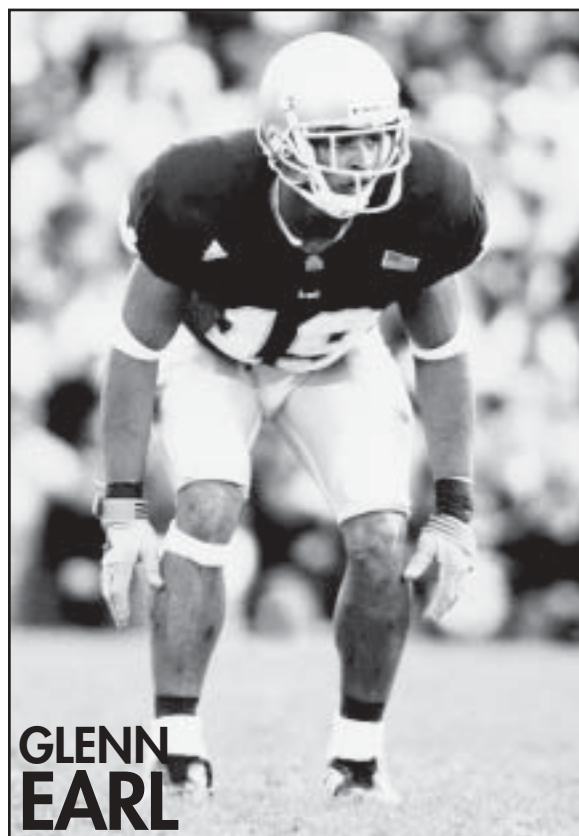
*Free Safety • 6-1 • 205 • Senior • 6-10-81  
Lisle, IL • Naperville North*



Rebounded from early-season leg injury to play in eight games in 2001 for Irish at free safety, starting vs. Tennessee, Stanford and Purdue ... had career-high 12 tackles in finale at Purdue, including two sacks ... played in all 12 games with Irish special teams in 2000, including 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... worked at strong safety in secondary, seeing defensive action in eight games and starting vs. Air Force and Oregon State ... blocked Purdue's first punt to set up early Irish touchdown ... blocked Air Force field goal as time expired to enable Irish to eventually win in overtime ... also recovered a fumble and made eight tackles vs. Air Force ... did not see game action in '99 as rookie defensive back ... *USA Today* honorable mention prep All-America selection ... played wide receiver and defensive back at Naperville North High School in Naperville, Ill. ... cousin Acie played basketball at Iowa and with Boston Celtics ... father Glenn played football at Indiana State ... earned 3.0 grade-point average during 2001 fall semester ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters.

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Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	TL	Sacks	FR	PBU	Int.	PR
2000	11-1	59:10	14	6	20	0-0	0-0	1	2	1-0	1-23
2001	8-3	79:09	21	12	33	4-14	2-11	1	0	0-0	0-0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>19-4</b>	<b>138:19</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>4-14</b>	<b>2-11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1-0</b>	<b>1-23</b>

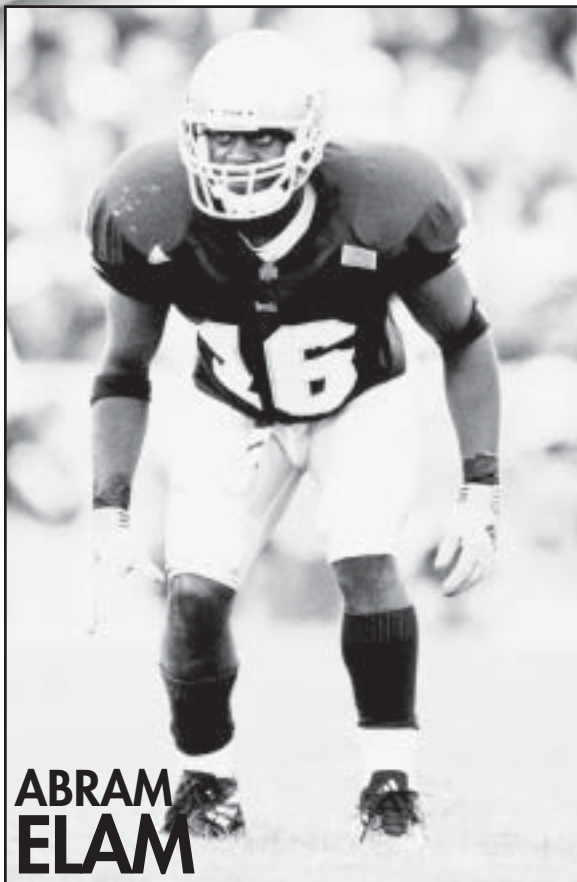


**GLENN  
EARL**

# PLAYERS

## 16 ABRAM ELAM

*Strong Safety • 6-0 • 209 • Junior • 10-15-81  
Riviera Beach, FL • Cardinal Newman*



**ABRAM  
ELAM**



Top safety reserve for Irish in 2001, playing in all 11 games and making 160 special-team appearances ... had five tackles vs. Michigan State, West Virginia and Navy ... intercepted passes vs. Pittsburgh and USC ... forced fumbles vs. Michigan State and USC ... recovered a fumble vs. Pittsburgh ... did not play as rookie defensive back in 2000 after making switch from quarterback in pre-season drills ... played quarterback as well as defense as prep senior in '99, making 18 tackles on defensive side ... threw for 900 yards and 13 touchdowns as senior in '99, while also rushing

for 500 yards and 12 TDs ... attended Notre Dame football camp in summer of '99 ... high school coach Sam Budnyk was '55 Notre Dame graduate ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	TL	Sacks	Int.	FR	FC	PBU
2001	11-0	101:02	18	11	29	1-3	2-7	2-27	1	2	5

## 37 DWIGHT ELLICK

*Cornerback • 5-10 • 179 • Sophomore • 9-30-82  
Tampa, FL • Wharton*



**DWIGHT  
ELICK**



Played in every game but Nebraska opener in '01 for Irish, making 122 special-team appearances ... earned first monogram in '01 ... had two special-team tackles vs. Boston College ... competed as sprinter for 2002 Notre Dame indoor track team ... finished third in '02 BIG EAST indoor championships in both 60 (6.88) and 200 (21.61) meters ... made 70 tackles, intercepted four passes and broke up 16 others as senior in 2000 for 2-8 Wharton High School team in Tampa, Fla., after moving to Tampa in summer of 2000 ... also had 589 receiving yards and scored six times as

wide receiver ... Florida Class 4A state champion in 2001 in 100 (10.60) and 200 (21.35) meters ... rushed 107 times for 947 yards and caught 12 passes for 218 yards as junior in '99 – and returned a punt 60 yards for a touchdown ... career totals included 2,034 rushing yards and 1,135 receiving yards to go with 38 TDs ... New York 100-meter champion in track as junior, with top time of 10.62 in 100 meters ... enrolled in First Year of Studies.

Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Asst.	Tot.
2001	10-0	–	2	1	3



## 52 JEFF FAINE

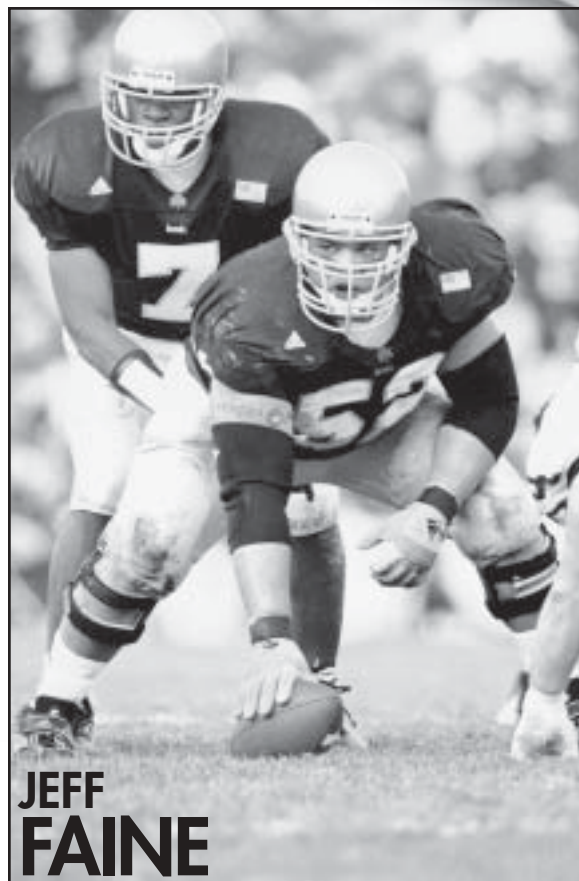
*Center • 6-3 • 298 • Senior • 4-6-81  
Sanford, FL • Seminole*



Earned honorable mention All-America honors in '01 from *Football News* after starting all 11 games at center ... named to the 2002 Rotary Lombardi Award watch list ... is second on offense in minutes played at 604:42 and games started (22) ... led all Irish players in playing time in '01 ... started all 12 games at center in 2000, including 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl vs. Oregon State ... led all Irish players in minutes played in 2000 ... played key role in Irish ranking 14th nationally in rushing in 2000 and 17th in passing efficiency ... also made 60 regular-season special-team appearances ... did not play in a game as first-year Irish offensive lineman in '99 ... *USA Today* first-team prep All-American as a senior in '98 ... rated one of the top 100 prep players nationally by *The Sporting News*, *Dallas Morning News*, *Forth Worth Star-Telegram* and *Chicago Sun-Times* ... Florida Class 5-A all-state pick as junior and senior at Seminole High School in Sanford, Fla. ... conference MVP in '98 and district offensive MVP that same season ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Time
2000	11-11	290:25
2001	11-11	314:17

**TOTAL 22-22 604:42**



**JEFF  
FAINE**

## 67 RYAN GILLIS

*Offensive Guard • 6-3 • 305 • Senior • 4-18-81  
Fawn Lake, VA • DeMatha*

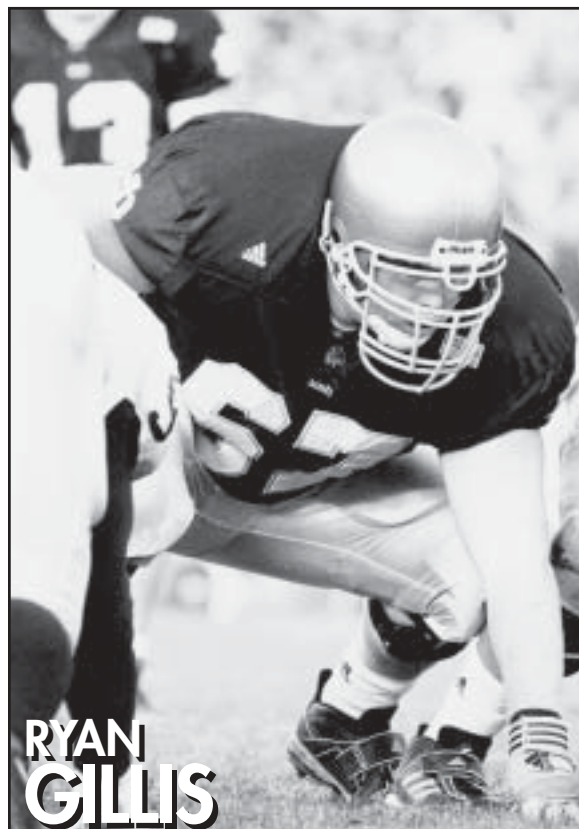


Played in every game in '01, making 41 special-team appearances ... saw action at right guard vs. Boston College and Navy ... played in four games in 2000 as reserve offensive guard, including vs. Oregon State in 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... made 11 regular-season special-team appearances ... did not see game action as rookie Irish offensive lineman in '99 ... *Parade* All-American as prep senior in '98, also earning honorable mention notice from *USA Today* ... rated one of top 30 national prep players by *Football News* ... helped DeMatha Catholic High School in Hyattsville,

Md., to 12-0 record and sixth Washington Catholic Athletic Conference title in eight years ... three-year starter who was first-team *Washington Post* all-metro selection ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Time
2000	3-0	5:05
2001	11-0	7:57

**TOTAL 14-0 13:02**

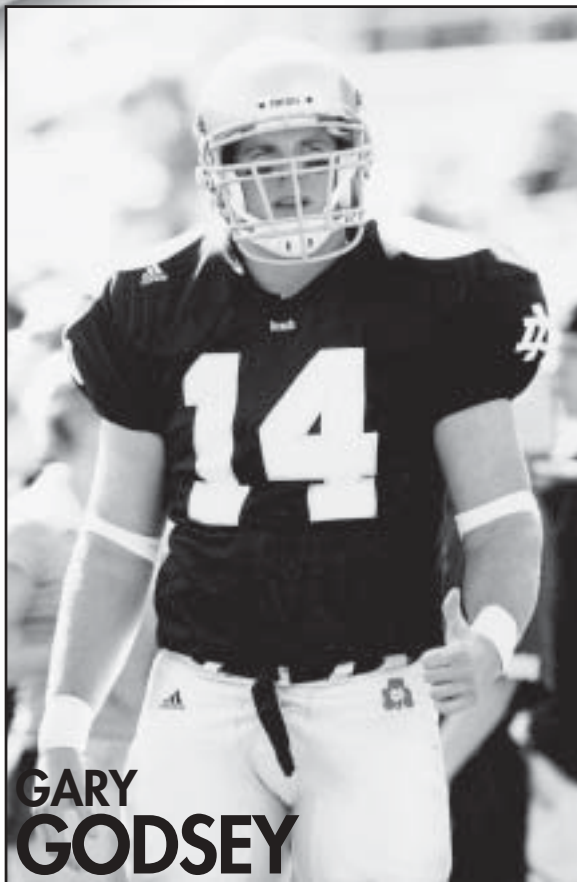


**RYAN  
GILLIS**

# PLAYERS

## 14 GARY GODSEY

*Tight End • 6-6 • 259 • Senior • 3-16-81*  
*Tampa, FL • Jesuit*



**GARY  
GODSEY**



Irish backup tight end played in every game in '01, starting vs. Nebraska and Michigan as Irish opened in two-tight end set ... first two catches of his career went for 50 yards vs. Navy ... began 2000 season as backup quarterback, starting vs. Purdue and leading Irish to 23-21 victory over Rose Bowl-bound Boilers ... hit 14 of 25 passes for 158 yards vs. Purdue and rushed for first Irish TD ... led team 59 yards in final minutes vs. Purdue to set up Nick Setta's game-winning field goal ... also threw scoring passes vs. Michigan State and Navy ... moved to tight end for final month of '00 regular season, seeing action in three games at that spot, including vs. Oregon State in 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... did not play in a game in '99 as first-year Notre Dame quarterback ... former *USA Today* honorable mention prep All-America selection ... rated one of top 100 nationally by *The Sporting News* and *Chicago Sun-Times* ... threw for more than 1,800 yards and 22 touchdowns in '98 at Jesuit High School in Tampa, Fla. ... brother George was starting quarterback for 2000 and 2001 at Georgia Tech ... father John played offensive tackle at Alabama in '60s under Bear Bryant ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

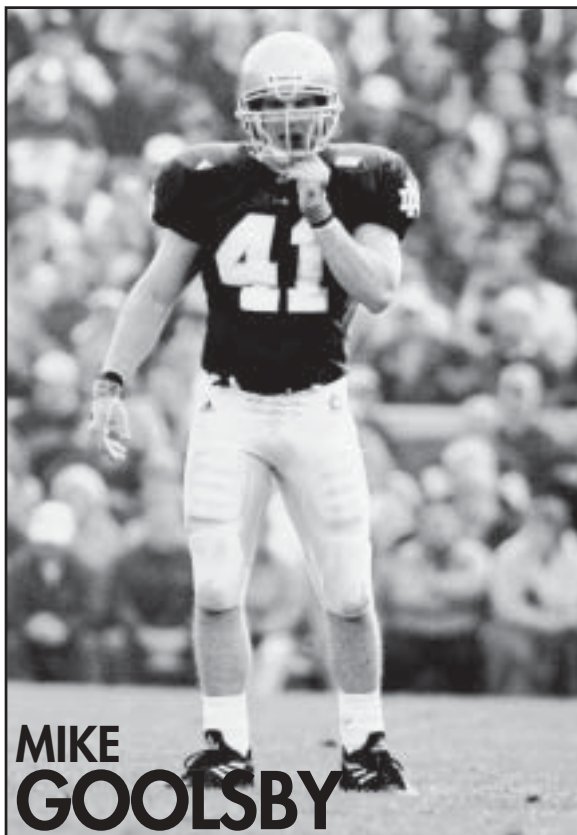
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2000	5-2	48:08	41	19	2	.463	224	2	46
2001	11-2	100:23	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16-4</b>	<b>148:31</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>.463</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>46</b>

Year	TC	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2000	9	2	0.2	1	9
2001	0	0	0.0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>

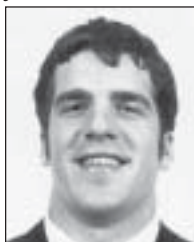
Year	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2001	2	50	25.0	0	26

## 41 MIKE GOOLSBY

*Inside Linebacker • 6-3 • 243 • Junior • 9-10-82*  
*Joliet, IL • Catholic*



**MIKE  
GOOLSBY**



Played in all 11 games in '01, exclusively while making 115 special-team appearances ... made two tackles vs. Navy ... played in all 12 games in 2000, including Tostitos Fiesta Bowl vs. Oregon State, while making 59 regular-season special-team appearances ... one of only four freshmen to see game action in 2000 and one of only three rookies to earn a monogram ... *Parade* prep All-America pick for '99 ... second-team selection on *USA Today* prep All-America team ... named to lists of top 100 national prospects by *Chicago Sun-Times*, *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* and *Dallas Morning News* ... selected as Illinois' Gatorade player of the year for '99 ... made 74 tackles, 64 solos as senior in '99, to go with 13 sacks and eight forced fumbles ... helped team to 14-0 record and Illinois Class 4A state title in '99 ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Time	S	A	Tot
2000	11-0	—	1	0	1
2001	11-0	—	2	2	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22-0</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>



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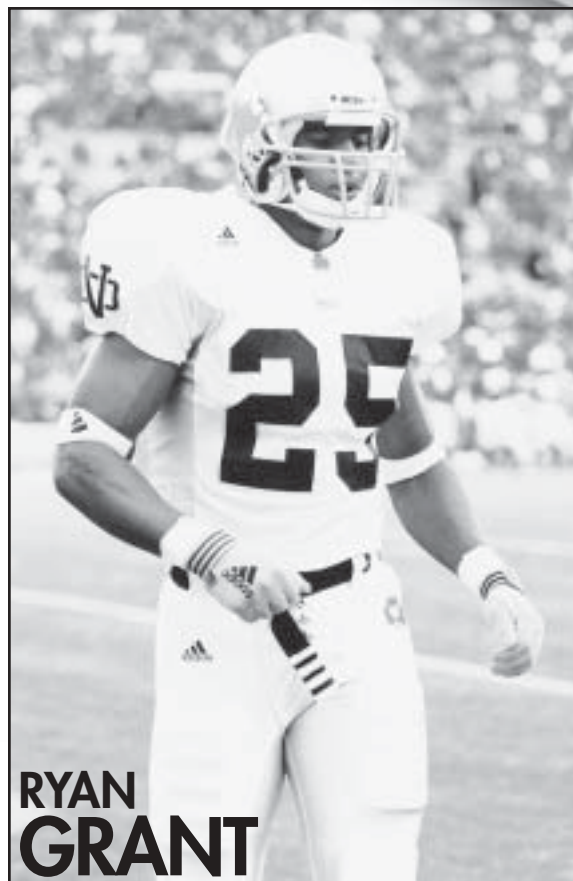
*Tailback • 6-1 • 211 • Sophomore • 12-9-82  
Nyack, NY • Don Bosco Prep*



Played in five games in 2001 as rookie Irish tailback ... carried 19 times for 77 yards vs. Purdue in season finale, including 14-yard touchdown run ... also rushed six times vs. Tennessee (18 yards), three times vs. Navy and once vs. Boston College ... New Jersey state player of the year for 2000, according to *USA Today* ... rated 43rd nationally on list of top prospects by CNNSI.com ... rushed for 1,963 yards and 26 touchdowns as senior tailback in 2000 at Don Bosco Prep High School in Ramsey, N.J. ... also made 61 tackles and seven interceptions as cornerback and safety while

helping team to 11-1 record and New Jersey state championship game ... enrolled in First Year of Studies.

Year	G-GS	Time	TC	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2001	5-0	29:27	29	110	3.8	1	16



**RYAN GRANT**

# 17 JOEY HILDBOLD

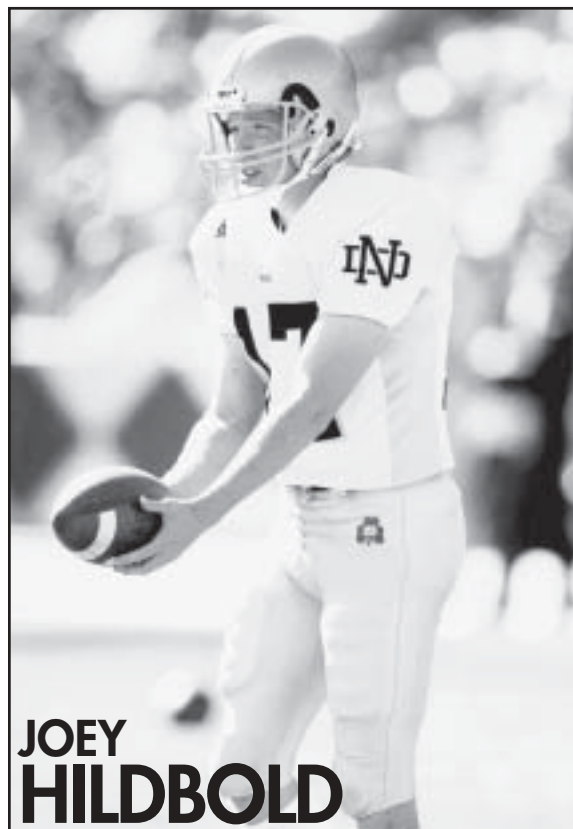
*Punter • 5-10 • 191 • Senior • 5-29-81  
Centreville, VA • Robinson*



One of finalists for 2001 and 2000 Ray Guy Award as top punter in the nation ... finished 35<sup>th</sup> nationally in punting in 2001 at 42.23 per punt after ending up 39<sup>th</sup> in final '00 NCAA statistics with 40.93 average ... second on Notre Dame's career punting average list at 39.1 ... averaged 50.1 yards on eight punts vs. Michigan State and 50.5 on six vs. Texas A&M to lead the country in punting average after three games ... had 19 punts inside the 20 in '01 ... helped Irish rank 10<sup>th</sup> as a team in net punting at 38.44 in '00 ... had 15 punts for 50 or more yards – and pinned opposition

inside the 20 on 22 occasions in '00 ... had 69-yard boot vs. Texas A&M ... Notre Dame's No. 1 punter throughout last three seasons ... Virginia first-team Associated Press all-state punter at the Robinson Secondary School in Fairfax, Va. ... father Bill is '73 Notre Dame graduate who competed in wrestling and rowing at Notre Dame ... earned 3.022 grade-point average in 2001 fall semester ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Punts	Yds.	Avg.	LP
1999	12-0	54	2107	39.0	56
2000	10-0	60	2456	40.9	69
2001	11-0	64	2703	42.2	59
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22-0</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>4563</b>	<b>40.0</b>	<b>69</b>

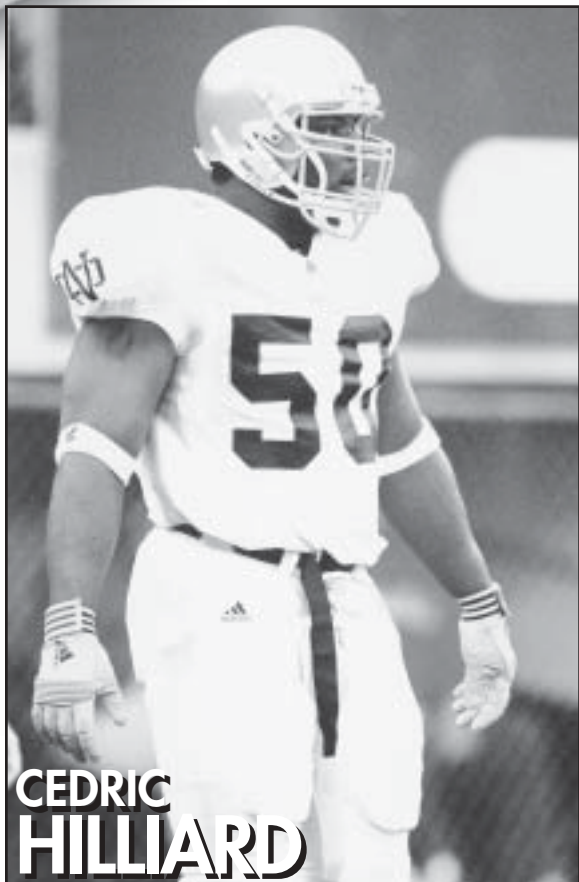


**JOEY HILDBOLD**

# PLAYERS

## 50 CEDRIC HILLIARD

*Nose Guard • 6-2 • 290 • Senior • 11-19-80  
Arlington, TX • Lamar*



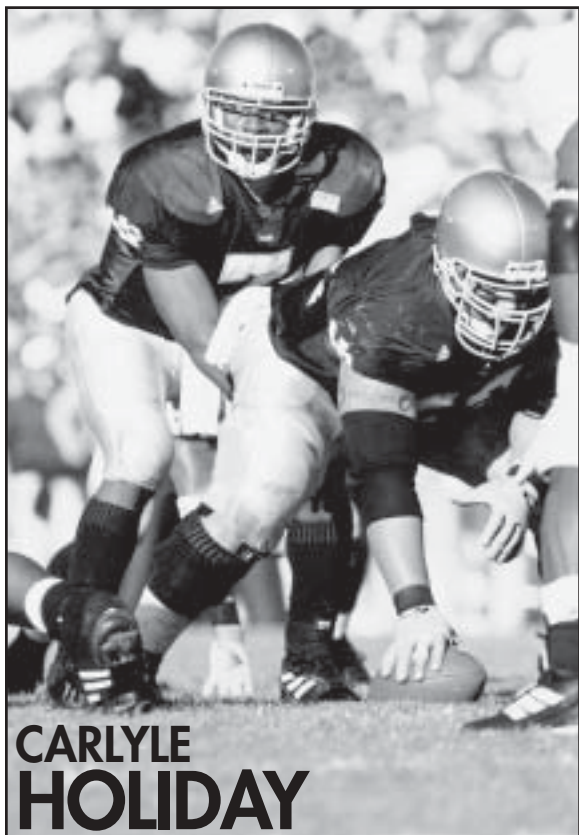
**CEDRIC  
HILLIARD**



Irish starter at nose guard in each of last five games in 2001 ... recorded five tackles vs. Stanford, four including a sack vs. Purdue ... finished fifth on team with eight tackles for loss ... played in four games for Irish in 2000 as backup nose guard, seeing action vs. Navy, West Virginia, Rutgers and vs. Oregon State in 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... had two tackles, one for loss, vs. Navy ... did not see varsity action as rookie nose guard in '99 ... former *USA Today* first-team defensive lineman in '98 ... rated one of top 100 national prep players by *The Sporting News*, *Chicago Sun-Times*,

*Dallas Morning News* and *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* ... had 72 tackles, 11 for losses, in '98 as senior at Lamar High School in Arlington, Texas ... a sociology major in College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	TL	Sacks	PBU	FC
2000	3-0	15:12	2	0	2	1-3	0-0	0	0
2001	11-5	164:22	13	14	27	8-25	2-17	1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14-5</b>	<b>179:34</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>9-28</b>	<b>2-17</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>



**CARLYLE  
HOLIDAY**

## 7 CARLYLE HOLIDAY

*Quarterback • 6-3 • 214 • Junior • 10-4-81  
San Antonio, TX • Roosevelt*



Started each of last nine games at quarterback for Irish in 2001 ... made first career start at Texas A&M ... rushed for 122 yards - most by an Irish quarterback since Tony Rice had 141 in '89 at Penn State - vs. Pittsburgh, including 67-yard scoring run ... then added 130 rushing yards a week later vs. West Virginia ... added 109 ground yards vs. Boston College and 98 vs. USC ... finished second to Julius Jones in rushing as first Irish quarterback to post three career 100-yard games ... first two career TD passes came vs. Boston College ... had highs of 24 attempts, 13 completions

and 146 passing yards vs. Tennessee ... named NBC/Chevrolet Irish MVP vs. Pittsburgh, West Virginia and USC ... his 47-yard scoring pass vs. Stanford marked longest completion of the year for Notre Dame ... did not play as rookie quarterback for Irish in 2000 ... rated 48th on *Chicago Sun-Times* list of top 100 prep players nationally for '99 ... threw for 719 yards as senior in '99 on 48 completions in 105 attempts at Roosevelt High School in San Antonio, Texas ... rushed 100 times for 876 yards and 13 scores in '99 while helping team to 9-2 record ... headed into senior campaign with 1,011 rushing yards, 1,749 passing yards and 10 receiving TDs ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Time	PA	PC	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	LG
2001	11-9	267:42	144	73	7	.507	784	3	47
Year	TC	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG				
2001	156	666	4.3	2	67				

# 15 PRESTON JACKSON

*Cornerback • 5-9 • 176 • Junior • 9-7-81  
Brandon, FL • Tampa Hillsborough*



Played in all 11 games in 2001 exclusively with Irish kicking units, making 135 special-team appearances overall ... did not play as rookie defensive back in 2000 ... finished with 57 tackles and five interceptions as prep senior cornerback in '99 ... helped Tampa Hillsborough to region final before being eliminated by eventual Florida Class 5A state champion Lakeland ... returned a punt and kickoff for touchdowns in '99 ... made 41 tackles, seven interceptions and 15 pass breakups as junior in '98 ... multi-purpose player who worked at both corner and safety on defense, as well as serving as receiver, punter and holder ... caught six passes for 80 yards as junior ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Asst.	Tot.
2001	11-0	—	3	0	3



**PRESTON JACKSON**

# 80 OMAR JENKINS

*Flanker • 6-1 • 204 • Junior • 5-8-81  
Dallas, TX • Jesuit*



Played in every game in 2001 as reserve Irish flanker ... made first four career catches vs. Michigan State, three good for first downs ... earned starting assignment vs. Pittsburgh ... scored first career touchdown on 47-yard reception vs. Stanford ... Irish reserve flanker in 2000 ... joined quarterback Matt LoVecchio as only freshmen to earn playing time on offense in 2000 ... played in six regular-season games, then vs. Oregon State in 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... earned Texas all-state honors as senior at Dallas Jesuit in '99, winning league MVP honors ... caught 45 passes for

811 yards and nine touchdowns in '99 ... enrolled in College of Engineering.

Year	G-GS	Time	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2000	6-0	21:48	0	0	0.0	0	0
2001	11-1	77:32	7	111	15.9	1	47
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17-1</b>	<b>99:20</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>15.9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>47</b>



**OMAR JENKINS**

# PLAYERS

## 22 JULIUS JONES

*Tailback • 5-10 • 200 • Senior • 8-14-81  
Big Stone Gap, VA • Powell Valley*



**JULIUS  
JONES**



Led Irish once again in rushing in '01 with 718 yards ... named to collegefootballnews.com all-independent team ... ranked 34th in the nation in all-purpose yardage in '01 ... is only 168 yards away from surpassing Tim Brown as the all-time leading kick returner in Irish history ... ranks first on Irish roster in games played and fifth in minutes played at 354:42 ... Notre Dame's leading rusher in 2000 with 657 yards also led team in rushing touchdowns (7) and all-purpose yards (1169) ... returned a kickoff 100 yards vs. Nebraska ... rushed for 126 yards vs. Michigan State, 105 vs. Navy and 111 vs. Air Force ... received Art Bodine Sportsmanship Award at conclusion of 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... played in all 12 games in '99 as reserve Irish tailback – and developed into top Notre Dame punt and kickoff returner ... rushed for 146 yards vs. Navy ... returned punt 67 yards for a touchdown vs. Boston College ... led '99 team with averages of 13.0 on punt returns, 23.2 on kickoff returns ... played more minutes than any other freshman in '99 ... his 26 kickoff returns in '99 set Irish single-season record – and his 603 kickoff return yards rank second to Tim Brown's record 698 in '86 ... former prep All-American at Powell Valley High School in Big Stone Gap, Va. ... brother Thomas was All-America running back in '99 at Virginia and now plays for NFL Phoenix Cardinals ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Time	TC	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
1999	12-0	65:52	65	375	5.8	3	37	3	90	30.0	0	49
2000	10-4	116:00	162	657	4.1	7	56	6	50	8.3	0	29
2001	11-6	172:50	168	718	4.3	6	59	9	57	6.3	1	21
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22-4</b>	<b>181:52</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>1750</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>49</b>

Year	P Ret	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	KO Ret	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
1999	15	195	13.0	1	67	26	603	23.2	0	36
2000	4	35	8.8	0	16	15	427	28.5	1	100
2001	18	192	10.7	0	53	18	405	22.5	0	58
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>1435</b>	<b>24.3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>100</b>

## 36 TOM LOPIENSKI

*Fullback • 6-1 • 245 • Senior • 6-12-79  
Hudson, OH • Walsh Jesuit*



**TOM  
LOPIENSKI**



Irish starter at fullback in nine games in 2001 campaign ... career-high 33-yard rush came vs. Navy ... ranks fourth on Irish roster in minutes played (363:35) and is tied for first in games played (33) ... started in 2000 vs. Texas A&M, Nebraska, Purdue, Boston College, Rutgers and vs. Oregon State in 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... had two carries for nine yards and two catches for 34 vs. Texas A&M ... caught 25-yard scoring pass on fake field goal from Nicholas Setta vs. Rutgers ... played in every game in '99 at fullback for Irish, starting four times ... had 20 rushing yards on five carries vs. USC ... ranked second on team in special-team appearances with 164 ... did not see game action as rookie Irish fullback in '98 ... former *Parade* prep All-American at Walsh Jesuit High School in Stow, Ohio ... father Tom was Irish cornerback from 1972-75 and was starter as senior in '75 when he tied for team lead in interceptions ... sister Sarah earned monograms in track and field at Notre Dame in '97 and '98 ... earned 3.33 grade-point average in 2001 fall semester ... a film, television and theater major in College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Time	TC	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
1999	12-4	97:45	25	76	3.0	0	12	3	13	4.3	0	7
2000	11-5	127:46	9	18	2.0	0	7	5	79	15.4	1	25
2001	11-9	138:04	10	63	6.3	0	33	2	17	8.5	0	17
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>33-18</b>	<b>363:35</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>25</b>

# 10 MATT LOVECCHIO

*Quarterback • 6-4 • 212 • Junior • 2-2-82  
Franklin Lakes, NJ • Bergen Catholic*



Started first two games of 2001 campaign as Irish quarterback and played in seven games overall ... started Nebraska and Michigan State games in '01, then came off the bench vs. Texas A&M, USC, Boston College, Navy and Stanford ... began 2000 season as number-three Irish quarterback but ended up starting each of last eight games – including vs. Oregon State in 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl – following injury to starter Arnaz Battle ... led Irish to victories in each of his first seven starts in '00, paving way for Notre Dame's BCS invitation ... set Notre Dame individual season

record for interception avoidance with one pickoff in 125 attempts ... helped Irish average 36 points and 400.6 total yards in his '00 regular-season starts ... threw at least two touchdown passes in each of his first four starts ... threw for 183 yards vs. Navy, 171 vs. Air Force, 161 vs. Rutgers ... rushed for 79 yards vs. Rutgers, 73 vs. Boston College ... helped Bergen Catholic to 10-1 record and New Jersey state title (Parochial Group 4) in '99, completing 94 of 160 passes for 1,503 yards and 17 touchdowns ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Time	PA	PC	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	LG
2000	8-7	205:52	125	73	1	.584	980	11	68
2001	7-2	48:08	69	34	4	.493	287	1	24
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15-9</b>	<b>254:00</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>.552</b>	<b>1267</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>68</b>

Year	TC	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2000	72	300	4.2	2	35
2001	18	-17	-0.9	0	9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>35</b>



MATT  
LOVECCHIO

# 79 SEAN MAHAN

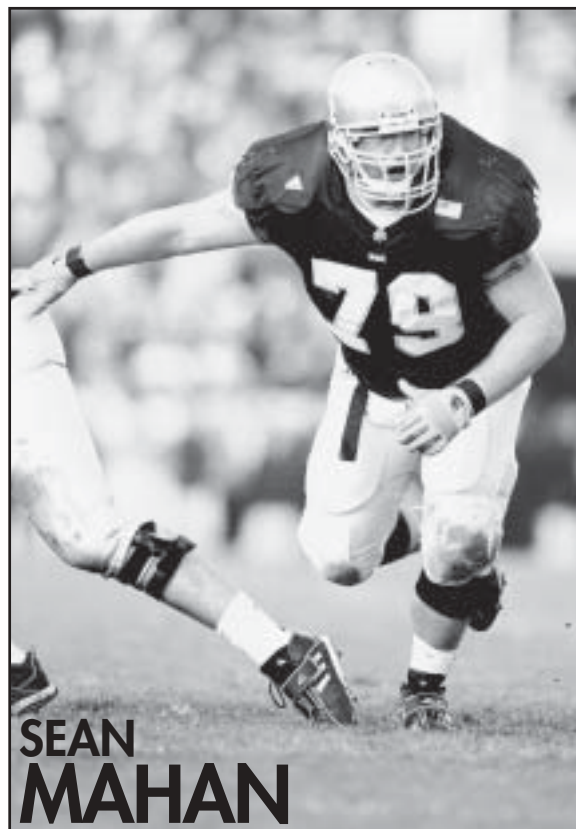
*Offensive Guard • 6-3 • 285 • Senior • 5-28-80  
Tulsa, OK • Jenks*



Irish starting left offensive guard in all 11 games in 2001 ... ranked second on squad in overall playing time at 302.06 ... played as reserve offensive guard in 2000 in all 12 games, including vs. Oregon State in 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... played in six games in '99 as Irish offensive tackle ... started at tackle vs. Boston College due to injury to John Teasdale, but his own dislocated right shoulder in that game kept him from playing season finale at Stanford ... did not play in a game in '98 as first-year Irish defensive lineman ... *USA Today* honorable mention All-American as

senior at Jenks High School in Jenks, Okla. ... played on '97 team considered greatest in Oklahoma prep history as Jenks finished 14-0 and won Oklahoma Class 6-A state crown ... father Michael ('64), sister Lisa ('94) and an uncle graduated from Notre Dame ... earned 3.231 grade-point average during 2001 fall semester ... a psychology major in College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Time
1999	6-1	67:32
2000	11-0	85:17
2001	11-11	302:06
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>28-12</b>	<b>454:55</b>

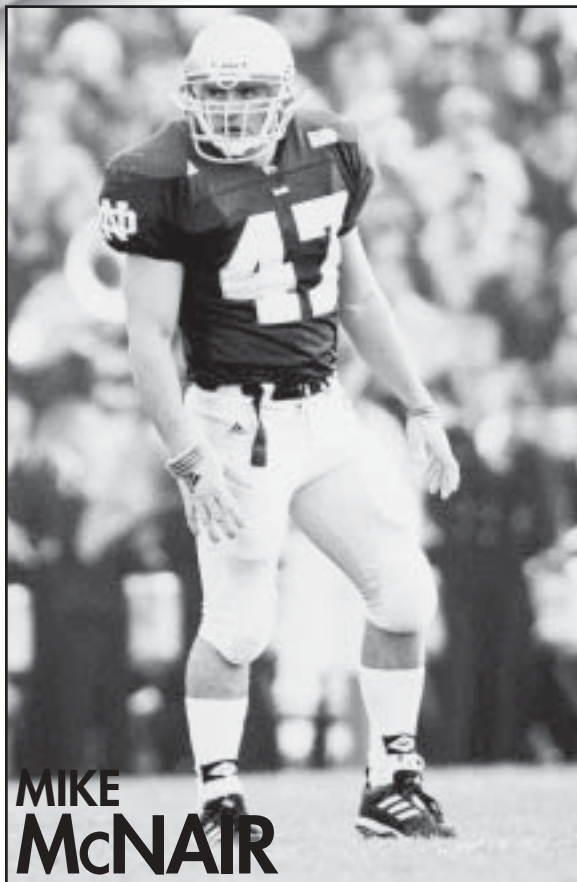


SEAN  
MAHAN

# PLAYERS

## 47 MIKE McNAIR

*Fullback • 6-0 • 230 • Senior • 3-24-80  
Corona Del Mar, CA • Mater Dei*



**MIKE  
McNAIR**



Played in eight games in '01 with Irish, mostly while making 62 special-team appearances ... first five carries of his career gained 15 yards vs. Navy ... played in six games in 2000 as reserve fullback, seeing action vs. Texas A&M, Nebraska, Stanford, Boston College, Rutgers and USC ... made one appearance in '99 campaign at fullback, playing in opener vs. Kansas ... sprained arch kept him out of rest of '99 season ... played in 11 games in '98, including vs. Georgia Tech in Gator Bowl, as reserve Irish fullback ... worked mainly in short-yardage and goal-line situations as blocking back ... merited playing time in every '98 contest except LSU ... made 30 regular-season special-team appearances ... *USA Today* first-team prep All-American at Mater Dei High School in Santa Ana, Calif. ... earned 3.0 grade-point average during 2001 fall semester ... enrolled as marketing major in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Time	TC	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
1998	10-0	6:19	0	0	0.0	0	0
1999	1-0	3:32	0	0	0.0	0	0
2000	6-0	11:58	0	0	0.0	0	0
2001	8-0	8:58	5	15	3.0	0	8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17-0</b>	<b>21:49</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>



**DAVID  
MILLER**

## 35 DAVID MILLER

*Kicker • 5-11 • 210 • Senior • 5-29-80  
Granger, IN • Penn*



Did not see game action in 2001 ... played in two games in 2000, handling one kickoff vs. Navy and two vs. Rutgers ... made contributions with both field goals and PATs during mid-portion of '99 Irish season ... connected on six of seven PATs and hit two of five field-goal attempts, connecting from 37 and 33 yards vs. USC ... hip flexor injury sidelined him the last three games of '99 season ... did not play in a game in '98 as rookie Irish punter and kicker ... Associated Press first-team all-state pick in Indiana as senior and junior in '97 and '96 ... hit nine of 14 field goals in '97 while helping Penn to third straight Indiana Class 5A state title ... from same high school as '98 Irish All-America offensive lineman and captain Mike Rosenthal and current Irish defensive lineman Jeff Thompson ... earned 3.282 grade-point average during 2001 fall semester ... enrolled as psychology major in College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Time	FG	PAT	Pts.
1999	4-0	2-5	1	2-14	18
2000	2-0	0-0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6-0</b>	<b>2-5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2-14</b>	<b>18</b>



## 65 SEAN MILLIGAN

*Offensive Guard • 6-4 • 300 • Senior • 2-18-81  
Norcross, GA • Norcross*



Irish starter at right offensive guard to start '01 campaign ... started vs. Nebraska, Pittsburgh, West Virginia, USC and Boston College ... played in nine games overall in '01, missing only Tennessee and Navy after ankle injury vs. Boston College ... played in two games in 2000 as backup offensive guard, seeing action vs. Navy and Rutgers ... did not see game action as first-year Irish offensive lineman in '99 ... *USA Today* second-team prep All-American in '98 ... rated one of top 100 prep seniors for '98 by *The Sporting News* and *Chicago Sun-Times* ... won three

letters as tackle at Norcross High School in Norcross, Ga. ... captain of team as senior when he earned all-state and all-league honors ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Time
2000	2-0	6:07
2001	9-5	143:41
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11-5</b>	<b>149:48</b>



**SEAN  
MILLIGAN**

## 2 CARLOS PIERRE-ANTOINE

*Inside Linebacker • 6-3 • 245 • Senior • 3-29-80  
Everett, WA • Bishop O'Dea*



Played in each of last 10 games in 2001, mostly while making 81 special-team appearances ... made two tackles vs. Purdue ... played in five regular-season games in '00 as reserve inside linebacker — and also vs. Oregon State in 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... made two tackles vs. Rutgers ... played in every game in '99, making 154 overall special-team appearances ... made six tackles vs. Kansas in first career appearance ... did not see game action as rookie linebacker in '98 ... former *Parade* prep All-American and *USA Today* second-team pick as senior at O'Dea High School

in Seattle, Wash. ... won four letters in football and was two-time MVP of Seattle Metro League ... finished with 242 career tackles, including 105 as senior in '97 ... helped O'Dea to 10-1 mark and Washington state playoff quarterfinal berth in '97 ... from same high school as '92 Irish captain and linebacker Demetrius DuBose ... earned 3.25 grade-point average during 2001 fall semester ... a sociology major in College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Asst.	Tot.
1999	12-0	19:56	13	6	19
2000	5-0	9:48	1	1	2
2001	10-0	2:28	3	3	6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>27-0</b>	<b>29:44</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>27</b>



**CARLOS  
PIERRE-ANTOINE**

# PLAYERS

## 95 RYAN ROBERTS

*Defensive End • 6-2 • 258 • Senior • 8-11-80  
Lawnside, NJ • Haddenfield Memorial*



**RYAN  
ROBERTS**

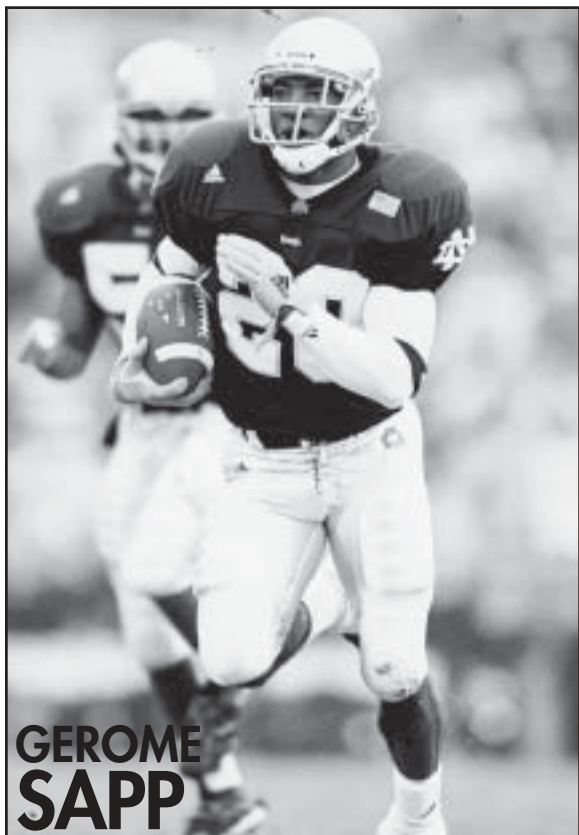


Starter at right defensive end for Irish in '01 vs. Pittsburgh, West Virginia, USC, Boston College and Tennessee before torn MCL vs. Tennessee ended his season ... had three tackles vs. Texas A&M and West Virginia and three sacks vs. USC ... ranks second of defensive players in minutes played at 276:21 and career starts (12) ... took over starting defensive end assignment in 2000 two games into the year following season-ending injury to Grant Irons ... started eight games overall, including 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl vs. Oregon State ... recorded a sack in each of first four games ... recovered pair of fumbles vs. Rutgers ... had four tackles each vs. Nebraska, Michigan State and Rutgers ... won a monogram while playing in 10 games in '99 as reserve Irish defensive end ... did not see varsity action as first-year Irish outside linebacker in '98 ... won three letters at Haddenfield Memorial High School in Haddenfield, N.J. ... an all-state pick as senior in '97, playing both defensive end and tailback ... a science/business major in the College of Science.

Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	Sacks	TL	FR
1999	10-0	37:00	2	4	6	1-7	0-0	0
2000	11-7	144:27	15	8	23	5-29	5-29	2
2001	8-5	94:54	9	12	21	4-11	5-12	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>29-12</b>	<b>276:21</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>10-47</b>	<b>10-41</b>	<b>2</b>

## 20 GEROME SAPP

*Strong Safety • 6-0 • 218 • Senior • 2-8-81  
Houston, TX • Lamar*



**GEROME  
SAPP**



Started five games among his nine appearances at safety in 2001 ... had five tackles vs. Texas A&M, then career-high eight vs. Tennessee ... recovered two fumbles vs. Navy, running one back 39 yards for a touchdown ... ranks first on Irish roster in career special-team appearances with 477 and tackles (90) ... also second among defensive players with 31 games played ... backup at strong safety for Irish in 2000 ... made first career start and had career-high eight tackles plus one for loss vs. Boston College ... second on team with 209 regular-season special-team appearances ... made five tackles each vs. Nebraska and West Virginia ... played in secondary in first 10 games of regular season and vs. Oregon State in 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... played in all 12 games in '99 as reserve safety ... made 160 special-team appearances ... intercepted a pass vs. Michigan State in '99 ... made four tackles vs. Arizona State ... former *Parade* prep All-American ... *USA Today* first-team prep All-America selection as senior in '98 ... made 112 tackles, four caused fumbles and three fumble recoveries as senior at Lamar High School in Houston, Texas ... intercepted five passes as senior, returning two for touchdowns ... brother Charles is junior running back at Colorado State ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	TL	Int.	PBU	FR
1999	12-0	9:37	11	6	17	0-0	1-0	1	0
2000	10-1	63:21	22	15	37	2-2	0-0	0	0
2001	9-5	117:59	22	14	36	1-1	0-0	0	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>31-6</b>	<b>190:57</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>3-3</b>	<b>1-0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>

# 45 MATTHEW SARB

*Strong Safety • 6-0 • 195 • Senior • 6-15-80  
Lisle, IL • Lisle Senior*



Irish walk-on played in all 11 games in 2001, making 59 special-team appearances ... made two tackles vs. Stanford ... also earned a monogram in 2000 with special-team assistance ... played in each of last 11 games for Irish in 2000, including vs. Oregon State in 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... made first career tackle on special teams vs. Michigan State, then had two vs. Navy ... made three tackles vs. Rutgers ... made 56 regular-season special-team appearances, then two more vs. Oregon State ... earned 3.133 grade-point average during 2001 fall semester ... a pre-professional major in College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Asst.	Tot.
2000	10-0	—	6	2	8
2001	11-0	—	5	0	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21-0</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>



# 72 RYAN SCAROLA

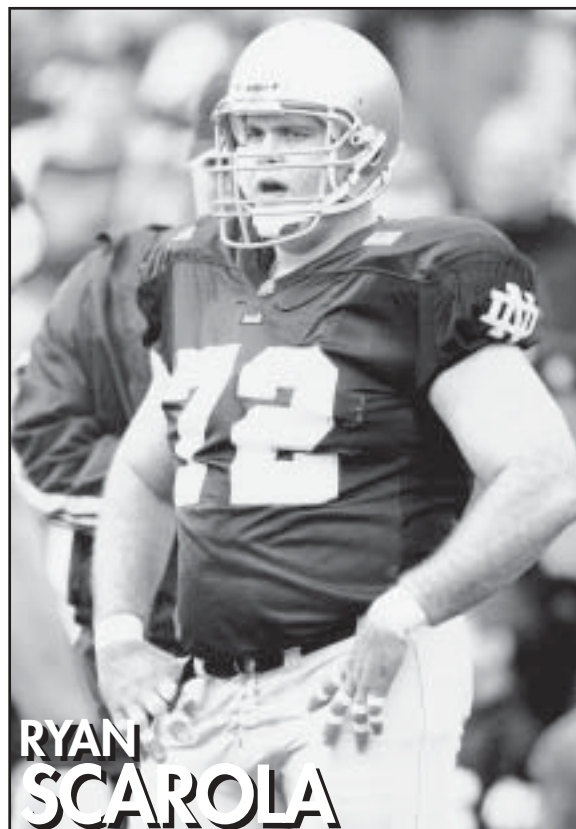
*Center • 6-5 • 310 • Senior • 12-3-79  
Export, PA • Franklin Regional*



Played in all 11 games in 2001, making 41 special-team appearances ... worked as backup center vs. Tennessee and Navy ... played on Irish special teams in all 12 games in 2000, including vs. Oregon State in 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... earned a monogram thanks to 60 regular-season special-team appearances ... played on offensive line vs. Navy, Rutgers and Oregon State ... played in seven games for '99 Irish at offensive guard position ... earned starting assignment vs. Boston College at left guard with regular Jim Jones idled by injury ... did not see game action as

rookie Irish offensive lineman in '98, though he worked as backup Notre Dame center much of the year ... three-time letterwinner as offensive and defensive lineman at Franklin Regional High School in Murrysville, Pa. ... father Phil is '68 Notre Dame graduate ... earned 3.417 grade-point average during 2001 fall semester ... enrolled as psychology major in College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Time
1999	7-1	63:23
2000	11-0	6:23
2001	11-0	3:28
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>29-1</b>	<b>73:14</b>



# PLAYERS

## 13 NICHOLAS SETTA

*Kicker/Punter • 5-11 • 177 • Senior • 5-6-81  
Lockport, IL • Lockport Township*



Led Irish in scoring in 2001 with 68 points and in 2000 with 74 points ... hit 15 of his 17 field-goal attempts in '01, including all eight from 40 yards or more ... has kicked at least one field goal in 13 straight games, breaking John Carney's previous Notre Dame record of 11 from 1986 season ... has made 55 straight PATs, the fourth-longest Irish streak ever ... had kicked 11 straight field goals until missing vs. Boston College ... matched his career long with 47-yards vs. Texas A&M, Stanford and Purdue ... finished 13<sup>th</sup> in 500 meters at 2002 BIG EAST indoor track championships ... made final 32 PATs of '00 regular season ... his 29-yard field goal in overtime gave Irish only lead of the game vs. Nebraska in '00 ... hit game-winning 38-yard field goal as time expired in 23-21 Irish '00 win over Purdue ... also had field goals of 32 and 47 vs. Purdue ... scored from five yards out on fake field goal run vs. Boston College ... threw a 25-yard scoring pass to Tom Lopienski a week later on fake field goal vs. Rutgers ... did not see game action in '99 as rookie Irish punter and placekicker ... former *Parade* prep All-American at Lockport Township High School in Lockport, Ill. ... helped Lockport to Illinois state cross country titles in '96 and '97 ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Time	FG	PAT	Pts.
2000	11-0	—	8-14	44-45	74
2001	11-0	—	15-17	23-23	68

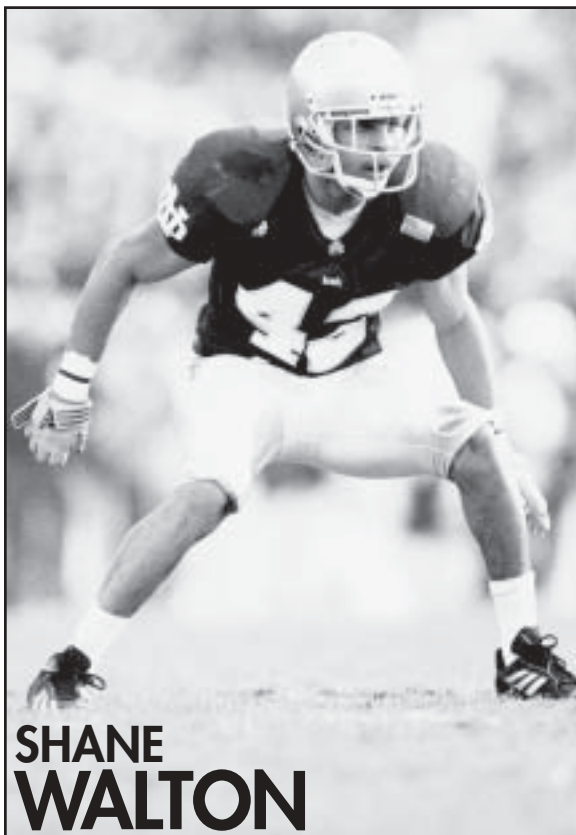
**TOTAL 11-0 — 23-31 67-68 142**

Year	Punts	Yds.	Avg.	LP
2000	4	160	40.0	47

**NICHOLAS  
SETTA**

## 42 SHANE WALTON

*Cornerback • 5-11 • 185 • Senior • 10-9-79  
San Diego, CA • The Bishop's School*



Irish regular at cornerback in 2000 and 2001 ... ranks first on Irish defense in minutes played at 513.21 ... first on defense in career starts with 21 and third in tackles (83) ... started every game in '01 and was named to *Football News* all-independent team ... set up lone Irish touchdown vs. Nebraska with fourth-period blocked punt ... interceptions came vs. Pittsburgh and Navy, helping him earn NBC/Chevrolet Notre Dame MVP award vs. Navy ... led team with eight passes defended ... matched season high with seven tackles vs. USC and Navy ... intercepted passes vs. Nebraska and Purdue in '00 ... ran interception of Drew Brees pass back 60 yards for a score vs. Purdue ... had career-high eight tackles in '00 vs. Air Force ... broke right forearm vs. Rutgers, missed regular-season finale at USC, then returned to play off the bench in 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl vs. Oregon State ... played in nine games in '99 as reserve Irish cornerback ... made 61 appearances with Irish special teams ... didn't play football for Notre Dame as a freshman in '98, but starred for Irish soccer team ... led Irish soccer team in scoring as rookie forward in '98 with 10 goals and seven assists ... a second-team all-BIG EAST selection former two-time captain in both football and soccer at The Bishop's School in San Diego, Calif. ... earned 3.167 grade-point average during 2001 fall semester ... a sociology major in College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	TL	Int.	PBU	FF
1999	9-0	4:09	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
2000	10-10	236:31	31	9	40	2-8	2-60	3	0
2001	11-11	272:41	28	15	43	7-20	2-37	8	1

**TOTAL 30-21 513:21 59 24 83 9-28 4-97 11 1**

**SHANE  
WALTON**

# 33 COURTNEY WATSON

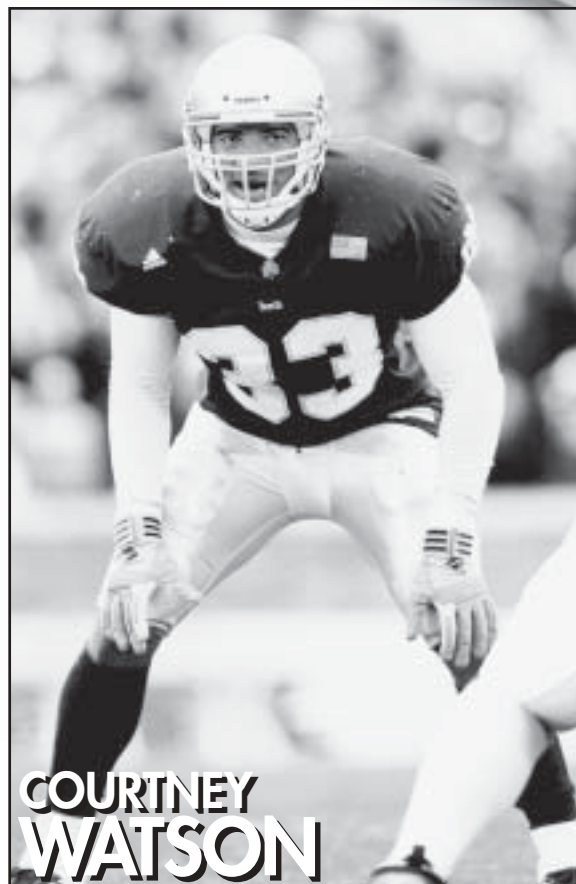
*Inside Linebacker • 6-1 • 232 • Senior • 9-18-80  
Sarasota, FL • Riverview*



Notre Dame's top returning tackler for Irish in 2002 after finishing second in '01 with 76 as starter in all 11 games ... had career-high 18 tackles in first start vs. Nebraska, earning him ABC Sports/Chevrolet Notre Dame MVP award ... had 10 tackles vs. Michigan State and Texas A&M ... ran an interception back 31 yards for score vs. Tennessee ... played in all 12 games in 2000 as reserve inside linebacker and with special teams ... made 175 regular-season special-team appearances, then 18 more vs. Oregon State in 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl ... made two tackles vs.

Navy ... saw action on defense in nine games ... did not see game action in '99 as first-year Irish player ... former standout at Riverview High School in Sarasota, Fla. ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

Year	G-GS	Time	Solo	Asst.	Tot.	TL	Sacks	FR	PBU	Int.
2000	11-0	13:59	8	3	11	1-15	0-0	0	0	0-0
2001	11-11	231:25	35	41	76	13-27	2-10	1	3	1-31
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22-11</b>	<b>245:24</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>14-42</b>	<b>2-10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1-31</b>



**COURTNEY  
WATSON**

# 23 CHRIS YURA

*Tailback • 6-0 • 220 • Senior • 11-18-80  
Morgantown, WV • Morgantown*



Irish reserve running back in '01 ... saw action on special teams for the Irish, making 91 appearances ... ranks fourth on the Irish roster in career special-teams appearances with 340 ... is third amongst offensive players in career games played with 32 ... played in all 12 games in 2000 as reserve running back and with special teams ... ranked third on squad with 192 regular-season special-team appearances ... rushed four times for seven yards vs. Navy ... ran four yards for first down on fake field goal vs. Boston College ... made three tackles vs. Stanford ... played in 10 games

in '99 campaign for Irish as defensive back ... made 57 combined special-team appearances ... former *USA Today* honorable mention prep All-America selection ... broke Pennsylvania state season record for touchdowns with five in his final home game while helping Morgantown High School in Morgantown, W.Va., to 9-1 mark as senior ... finished with 102 career TDs, including 50 as a senior to break former Penn State star Curt Warner's mark ... rushed for 2,548 yards as senior in '98 ... brother Jon is senior linebacker at West Virginia ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters.

Year	G-GS	Time	TC	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Solo	Asst.	Tot.
1999	10-0	1:52	0	0	0.0	0	0	1	1
2000	11-0	2:50	6	5	0.8	0	8	3	11
2001	11-0	—	0	0	0.0	0	1	2	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32-0</b>	<b>4:42</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>15</b>



**CHRIS  
YURA**