

### **FINAL SCORE**

(7) Notre Dame (12-1) 27, (10) Indiana (11-2) 17

### **TEAM NOTES**

- Notre Dame won the toss and deferred its choice to the second half. Notre Dame kicked off and defended the north end zone.
- Attendance: 77,622, the 13th consecutive sell out at Notre Dame Stadium.
- Notre Dame improves to 24-5-1 all-time against Indiana and 14-1-1 at home.
- Notre Dame improves to 1–0 on Friday at Notre Dame Stadium.
- Notre Dame improves to 1-0 on December 20 all-time.
- Notre Dame improves to 28–13–3 in December all-time and 4–0 in December under Marcus Freeman.
- Notre Dame improves to 315–169–22 all–time against opponents from the Big Ten.
- Notre Dame improves to 6-0 at home in December and 5-0 in Notre Dame Stadium.
- The 16-play scoring drive that ended with Notre Dame's second touchdown is the longest in College Football Playoff history, surpassing Notre Dame's 15-and-14-play drives vs. Alabama in 2021.
- Notre Dame held Indiana to just three points in the first half, the Hoosier's lowest scoring half of the season.

# **NOTABLE**

- Jeremiyah Love's 98-yard scoring jaunt on Notre Dame's second possession tied the school record for longest rush and is the longest scoring run in the history of the College Football Playoff, breaking Ezekial Elliott's 85-yard run in 2015.
- Love extended his Notre Dame record consecutive streak of games with a rushing touchdown to 13 (all 13 games this season).
- Love ended the game with xxx yards rushing, the fifth 100-yard rushing performance of the season and his career. The 100-yard also is the third in the last four games for Love and he rushed for 99 yards in that other contest.
- Jack Kiser extended his school-record games played record to 67 games this evening. Howard Cross III moved into second place by himself with 63 career games played, while Rylie Mills 62 games is now tied for third on the Notre Dame list.
- Xavier Watts' interception on Indiana's second possession is the sixth of the season for the Consensus All-American and the 13th of his career. Those 13 thefts are the most for an Irish play, in a career, since 1996. The 13 interceptions also move Watts into a tied for third on the Notre Dame career list with five other players and is just four off the school record held by Luther Bradley (1973-77).
- Riley Leonard's two-yard touchdown run to put the Irish up 28-21 in the third quarter was the 33rd of his career, which is second on the list for active FBS quarterback rushing touchdowns. Army's Bryson Daily has 38, Alabama's Jalen Milroe 33 Oregon's Dillion Gabriel has 32.
- Leonard's scoring run also is the 15th of the season for the Irish quarterback, setting a new single-season standard for quarterback rushing scores. Brandon Wimbush had 17 in 2017.

### **FIRSTS**

• Notre Dame wins the first College Football Playoff game to be played at a campus site.

# **CAREER HIGHS**

- 98-yard rush Jeremiyah Love's touchdown run for the first score of the game is the longest rush of his career. His previous high was 76 yards against Virginia this season.
- 49-yard field goal Mitch Jeter's successful kick before the half is the longest of his Notre Dame career.
- 7 receptions Jordan Faison, surpassing his previous high of five against Oregon State in the 2024 Sun Bowl.
- 10 tackles Xavier Watts