



POST GAME NOTES

FINAL SCORE

No. 9/9/9 Notre Dame 70 (9-2), Syracuse 7 (3-8)

TEAM NOTES

- Notre Dame captains WR Will Pauling, S Adon Shuler, DT Donovan Hinish and OL Aamil Wagner represented the Irish for the coin toss.
- Notre Dame won the toss and elected to defer. Notre Dame kicked off and defended the north endzone.
- Attendance - 77,622, which marks the 20th-consecutive sellout and 25 of the last 27 home games coached by Marcus Freeman at Notre Dame.
- Marcus Freeman is now 2-0 against the Orange.
- Notre Dame improves to 9-3 all-time against Syracuse and 4-1 all-time at home against the Orange.
- Notre Dame is now 224-84-3 all-time against current ACC members with a 119-32-0 record in home games.
- Notre Dame improves to 10-0 against ACC members at Notre Dame Stadium under Freeman.
- The 70 points scored in today's game by Notre Dame are the most in the modern era of the program (surpassing the 69 scored against Georgia Tech in 1977) and the most since Notre Dame defeated Haskell 73-0 in 1932.
- The Irish are now 16-2 against ACC opponents under head coach Marcus Freeman (excludes 2022 contests against Cal and Stanford and 2023 game against Stanford as both teams were active members in the Pac-12).
- The 35 points scored in the first quarter for Notre Dame were the most in the opening quarter in program history, surpassing the previous high of 28, done four times but most recently on September 30, 2017 in the win over Miami OH.
- The game-by-game boxscores become unreliable until the 1950s... so it is possible that there is a game in the 1940s that surpassed the number, but the 49 points scored in the first half by the Irish today are the most for Notre Dame since at least 1943.
- Prior to the game, 32 members of the football team took part in this year's Senior Day recognition.

Senior Day Participants:

Jordan Botelho | Mickey Brown | Tyler Buchner | Noah Burnette | Joshua Burnham | Jared Dawson
Dylan Devezin | Charles Du | Isaiah Dunn | Malachi Fields | Justin Fisher | Donovan Hinish | Jason Onye
Kobi Onyiuke | Will Pauling | Gi'Bran Payne | Jadarian Price | Eli Raridon | Tre Reader | James Rendell
Gabriel Rubio | Jerry Rullo | Leo Scheidler | Billy Schrauth | DeVonta Smith | Jaylen Sneed | Jalen Stroman
Jake Tafelski | Chance Tucker | Junior Tuihalamaka | Aamil Wagner | Alex Whitman

NOTABLE

- RB Jeremiyah Love started his 28th consecutive game this afternoon, which is the second-longest streak by a running back in program history. Allen Pinkett (1982-85) holds the school record in that category with 35 straight starts.
- RB Jeremiyah Love recorded a career-high three rushing touchdowns, including on his first touch of the game and first touch of the second half. Love, who entered the game with the third-most touchdowns in the country, now has 20 total touchdowns on the season, tying him with Jerome Bettis (1991) for most in a single season in Notre Dame history.
- Love's 17 rushing touchdowns this season are the second-most in school history for a single season, tying his output from last year. Love is the first player in program history to have multiple seasons with 17 or more rushing touchdowns. He sits just one back of Audric Estime's (2023) single-season record of 18.
- With his three touchdowns today, Love passed Jerome Bettis (1990-92) for third all-time in total touchdowns in Notre Dame history with his 39th, 40th and 41st career touchdowns. He also passed Vagas Ferguson (1976-79) and Anthony Johnson (1986-89) for fourth all-time in rushing touchdowns with his 33rd, 34th and 35th career scores on the ground.
- RB Jeremiyah Love now has six games with two or more rushing touchdowns this season. He ties Vagas Ferguson (1979) and Allen Pinkett (1983) for the second-most games in a season with multiple rushing touchdowns and is just one behind Jerome Bettis (1991) for the most in a single-season in program history.
- On his 45-yard touchdown run in the first quarter, Love passed Jerome Heavens (1975-78) for seventh all-time in rushing yards in Notre Dame history. His 2,748 career rushing yards, on just 418 attempts, is good for 6.57 yards per carry, which would be the second-most in school history for players with at least 2,000 rushing yards (Josh Adams, 6.65 ypc)
- RB Jeremiyah Love finished the game with 171 rushing yards on just eight carries. He's just the third player since 1996 to have 170 or more rushing yards and three touchdowns on eight carries or less (Clyde Edwards-Helaire, 11/23/19 vs. Arkansas and Desmond Ridder, 10/24/20 vs. SMU). It's the sixth game of the season Love has had 100+ rushing yards in a game.
- It's the 14th time both RB Jeremiyah Love and RB Jadarian Price have scored a touchdown in the same game.
- It's the first time since 2015 Notre Dame has had three rushing touchdowns of 45 yards or more (9/26/15 vs. UMass - Josh Adams 70, Brandon Wimbush 58, CJ Prosise 57).
- With his 12-yard catch in the first quarter, WR Malachi Fields' now has a reception in 38 consecutive games. He entered the weekend tied with the fourth-longest streak of FBS players with consecutive games with at least one catch.
- On the second play from scrimmage, S Jalen Stroman returned an interception return 44 yards for a touchdown, his first-career interception and touchdown. Stroman's interception was the 18th of the season for the Irish defense, which came into the game tied for the third most in the country.
- Not long after that in the first quarter, CB Leonard Moore returned an interception back for a 46-yard touchdown. It was the first-career touchdown for Moore and the 19th interception for the Irish defense this season. The Irish got their 20th interception of the season courtesy of S Ethan Long's first career pick late in the third quarter.
- It's the ninth time in program-history that Notre Dame has returned two interceptions for touchdowns and the first since last season at Southern Cal (11/30/24). Notre Dame is just the sixth FBS team to have two interception returns for touchdowns in a game this season and join Missouri (vs. Mississippi State) and Oregon (vs. Oklahoma State) to have two interception return touchdowns against a Power 4 team. It's also the first time since the 2022 season that Notre Dame has had a pick-six in consecutive games.

- S Luke Talich returned a punt 22 yards for a touchdown, his second-career touchdown. The punt, which was partially blocked by Stroman, was the fourth special teams touchdown of the season for Notre Dame.
- It's the time since 9/7/02 against Purdue that the first three Notre Dame touchdowns of the game were not scored by the offense. It's the first time since 9/25/21 against Wisconsin that Notre Dame has had two interception returns for touchdowns and a return for a touchdown in the same game.
- DL Jordan Botelho made his 61st career appearance in a Notre Dame uniform this afternoon, which puts him tied for sixth on the program's all-time list for game appearances with Kurt Hinish (2017-21) and Josh Lugg (2018-22).

CAREER HIGHS

- DL Jason Onye - six tackles
- QB Kenny Minchey - 59 rushing yards

FIRSTS

- S Jalen Stroman - Career Interception and interception return for touchdown
- CB Leonard Moore - Career Interception return touchdown
- S Ethan Long - Career Interception late in the third quarter
- WR Cam Williams - Career reception late in the third quarter
- LB Madden Faraimo - Career sack
- WR Leo Scheidler - Career receptions
- QB Kenney Minchey - Career rushing touchdown