Georgia Postgame Quotes

Georgia vs. Georgia Tech Friday, Nov. 29, 2024 | Dooley Field at Sanford Stadium

Head Coach Kirby Smart

On the way the Bulldogs fought...

"Never say die, man. They're fighters. I thought Carson did a great job in the two-minute offense. (Offensive Coordinator Mike) Bobo did an outstanding job calling it. Scored quick enough that we didn't have to onside. Then we were going to get a stop on them and it helped us even more that we got a turnover there. It was a great comeback."

On Carson Beck's play late in the game...

"Huge. Carson (Beck) made a lot of big throws to get us into the overtime. I thought we had a chance to convert on some of the two points there where we had time in the pocket and there was a lot of red zone defense played out of both defenses on those two-point conversions. In the end Nate (Frazier) made a great play, great run and Carson made a great decision."

On the challenges of the Georgia Tech offense...

"It's really hard. They do a great job of making you fit every hat. Basically, you have to get them behind the sticks- very similar to playing old Georgia Tech or triple option. If you don't get them behind the sticks they'll methodically run it down your throat. We didn't give them a lot of lost yardage plays, they don't have many TFLs.

#15 Carson Beck | RSr. | QB

On if he took a moment to soak in his potential last game in Sanford Stadium:

"Absolutely. I mean just the game itself; everything, the emotions, the highs, the lows, the way we were able to fight back, and then you add that factor into it. I just took a second to look around to take it all in and enjoy it. That was my mindset coming into today."

On his emotions following Nate Frazier's winning two-point conversion

"I don't even really remember honestly. I don't want to say it was a sigh of relief but it was like oh my gosh, finally we did it. Our defense did their job, we did ours, after eight overtimes. But no, I can't even describe it, it was excitement, joy, just truly happy."

#11 Jalon Walker | Jr. | ILB

On what it's like to play an eight overtime game...

"I mean, I haven't ever seen anything like that. I haven't watched a football game that long. I mean, it's 12 o'clock right now, so, all I can say is I'm grateful for the opportunity. This is just a hard-fought win for our last home game of the year."

On having to keep going back on the field...

"60 minutes or however long it takes. That's what we go by. That's our standard."

On what he will remember from this game...

"The thing I remember about the eight overtimes is the eight overtimes. I have never been a part of anything like that. And just the last moment. Nate Frazier running again for a touchdown, letting us walk off the game."

#6 Dominic Lovett | Sr. | WR

On what he will remember about this game...

"That we won. It was a hard-fought game. The crazy part is, I have some brothers on the other team, so we'll probably just chop it up about that. Like I said, nothing but respect for those guys... But ,right now we've got to go back, watch film, make some corrections, and then we just have to keep striving to get better."

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Head Coach Brent Key

On how he felt about QB Haynes King's performance tonight...

"He's a warrior. He's one of the toughest kids I've ever been around in my life. He wills others around him. I'm proud of him. I'm proud of all of them"

On what you tell your team after a tough loss like that...

"Sucks. Losing stinks. Losing like this. I told them there are no moral victories. I'm proud as heck of them. I'm proud of the seniors and what they've done for this program. I'm proud of everyone on that sideline and the work they put in since January, they've never wavered. They've truly cemented what our vision is of the Tech way."

On what no moral victories means to him...

"There's so much about college football that is special. There are so many things that as a college football coach you take pride in. Yet the judgment comes when the scoreboard hits zero but the things we do with these kids and to see these kids grow and mature, to see them do what they do in school, socially, and on the football field, they're special and it hurts. The locker room, I've never seen anything like that. What I know about these kids, what I know about this team, what I know about this school, it's emotional turning into fuel and we use that fuel."

#10 Haynes King | RJr. | QB

On his emotional state following the game...

"It was definitely tough, but right now my emotional state is just, I'm just kind of tired of feeling like this. Tired of always, you know, playing your heart out, doing all this until the last minute and just always coming up short. I'm just tired of feeling that way right now."

On Georgia's defense tonight...

"They were obviously trying to take away the run game. And then the pass game, you know, they're going to play their regular coverages. Zone match it, man it on certain downs, stuff like that. So, in regard to the pass game, they played, I guess you would say, what we thought they were going to play. Running game, they were trying to load the box, stop the run, quarterback run for sure."

On their message to their team going into eight overtimes...

"Just keep your head up, keep pushing. Everybody says it's nobody's fault, but at the end of the day, with me being who I am, I can't let that fumble happen towards the end. I have to have six points of pressure on the ball, two hands, no matter what. I know he made a really good hit with the helmet to the ball and it popped out, but I can't let that happen."

On if there's some level of satisfaction from going toe-to-toe with Georgia...

"No. You either get it done or you don't. We didn't. That's just how it is."

#44 Kyle Efford | RSo. | LB

On defensive game plan tonight...

"We knew they were going to come out and throw that ball, explosive pass plays. We wanted to make them one dimensional, let them know that they couldn't throw the ball. Played out how it played out."

On message to teammates...

"I'm proud of the fight. I don't have too much to say, it is what it is. I'm proud of our fight though."