



NOTRE DAME POSTGAME NOTES

*Virginia Tech * Notre Dame Stadium * Notre Dame, Indiana * November 19, 2016*

TEAM NOTES

- Notre Dame is 120-22-3 all-time when facing an opponent for the first time. The Irish are 59-14-1 against first-time visitors to Notre Dame Stadium.
- Notre Dame is 141-62-3 against members of the Atlantic Coast Conference.
- The Irish have scored first in all but one game this season. The only exception was the 10-3 loss at NC State played in the deluge of Hurricane Matthew. Notre Dame has scored a TD on its first drive in seven games this season, adding TDs on its second drive in two others.
- After scoring on its first three drives against Virginia Tech, Notre Dame completed a stretch of tallying points on 17 of its previous 20 drives.
- Notre Dame completed its 20th scoring drive of 75 or more yards this season during the third quarter, covering 78 yards on four plays in 1:24 after **Josh Adams** broke free for a 67-yard touchdown rush. It was the longest run from scrimmage by the Irish this season.
- Notre Dame held Virginia Tech to four total yards during the first quarter. It was the second-fewest yards from scrimmage that the Irish have allowed in a quarter this season, trailing only the two yards gained by Miami in the first quarter.

INDIVIDUAL NOTES

- QB **DeShone Kizer** threw his 23rd and 24th passing touchdowns of the season against Virginia Tech. The two TD tosses were the 44th and 45th career scores through the air for Kizer.
- RB **Josh Adams** opened the scoring with a one-yard run in the first quarter. Adams then burst through for his longest rush of the year, covering 67 yards for his second touchdown of the game in the third quarter (fifth of the season, 11th of his career).
- Adams registered his seventh career 100-yard rushing game, gaining exactly 100 yards on 13 carries (7.7 per rush).
- LB **James Onwualu** notched his third sack of the season, forcing a fumble after dropping Virginia Tech's Jerod Evans for a 12-yard loss in the first quarter. DL **Jarron Jones** recorded his second fumble recovery of the season and his career on the play.
- K **Justin Yoon** made his ninth consecutive field goal to cap the second Notre Dame drive of the first quarter. Yoon hit from 25 yards out.
- WR **Chris Finke** hauled in his first career touchdown reception, covering 31 yards on a Kizer toss to begin the second quarter.
- WR **Miles Boykin** notched his first career touchdown reception, scoring from 18 yards on a Kizer completion in the second quarter.
- S **Drue Tranquill** made his second career interception during the third quarter, reeling in a deflected Virginia Tech pass in Notre Dame territory to flip possession.
- Jones added a tackle for a loss at the start of the fourth quarter, stopping Evans for a loss of four yards.