



Post-Game Notes

No. 9 Notre Dame vs. Louisville

September 2, 2019

- Chris Finke, Khalid Kareem, Julian Okwara and Jalen Elliott represented the Irish as captains for the opening coin toss. The Irish won the coin toss (tails) and elected to receive.
- In nine of the last 10 seasons, Notre Dame has scored the first points in the season-opening game, including Jahmir Smith's three-yard touchdown run with 12:39 remaining in the first quarter of the Louisville contest. Last season, Jafar Armstrong's 13-yard rush with 13:35 remaining in the first quarter against Michigan kicked off the 2018 campaign in Notre Dame Stadium.
- Since 1958, the Irish are 38-4 when scoring first in the season opener.
- The only other time in the Brian Kelly era when the Irish recovered three fumbles was during the 2012 game vs. Navy in Dublin (Notre Dame won 50-10).
- The Irish are now 1-0 when playing in the state of Kentucky. It is the 37th state the Fighting Irish have visited in program history.
- The Irish are averaging 36.2 ppg in season openers under Brian Kelly.

STUDENT-ATHLETE NOTES

- Tight end Tommy Tremble ended the game with three catches for 49 yards and a touchdown. His 26-yard touchdown catch in the third quarter was the first catch and score of his career.
- Ian Book's 37-yard scamper to begin the game is the longest run from an Irish quarterback since 2017, when Book notched a 43-yard run vs. Wake Forest (Nov. 3, 2017).
- Jahmir Smith's three-yard touchdown run in the first quarter was the first score of his career. He added a second score from one-yard out in the fourth quarter.
- Wide receiver Lawrence Keys III grabbed the first reception of his career with 2:20 remaining in the first quarter. The catch was good for a five-yard gain.
- Safety Alohi Gilman's forced fumble and subsequent recovery with 1:17 remaining in the first half was the fourth force and first recovery of his Irish career.
- Tony Jones finished the game with 110 yards on the ground — the second 100-yard rushing game of his career (also accounted for a TD).

GAMEBALL RECIPIENT: TE Tommy Tremble: 3 catches, 49 yards & a touchdown