

# 2001 PLAYER BIOS



**Allen**  
**AUGUSTIN**  
**#40**



**Linebacker**  
6-1, 221  
Sophomore  
Miami, FL  
(Miami Senior)



**At Florida State:** One of three players battling to fill the shoes of departed senior Tommy Polley...enters the fall listed second on the depth chart at weakside linebacker...saw action in nine games last season as a freshman for an FSU team that played for the national championship...will once again be called upon to contribute on special teams...former walk-on who earned a scholarship this spring.

**Freshman Year (2000):** A walk-on who made his mark on the special teams for Florida State during his freshman season...totaled one tackle on the season but played on several special teams over the second half of the season...worked with the linebackers during practice...lone tackle came as a member of the kickoff team against Florida.

**Personal:** Will declare a major following his sophomore season...born June 12, 1981.

**AUGUSTIN'S CAREER STATS**

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT	FC	FR
2000	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Josh**  
**BAGGS**  
**#67**



**Center**  
6-1, 305  
Senior  
Camilla, GA  
(Mitchell-Baker)



**At Florida State:** Returns for his senior season as the third team center...had shoulder surgery during the off-season and participated in spring drills...will compete with freshman David Castillo and junior Antoine Mirambeau for playing time...should provide valuable depth at the position which lost starter Jarad Moon...sat out the 1998 season after transferring from Division I-AA power Georgia Southern...originally played guard but moved to center during the spring of 1999.

**Junior Year (2000):** Saw limited action due to a shoulder injury.

**Sophomore Year (1999):** Gained valuable experience at center as backup to Eric Thomas and Jarad Moon...majority of playing time came as a member of FSU's special teams.

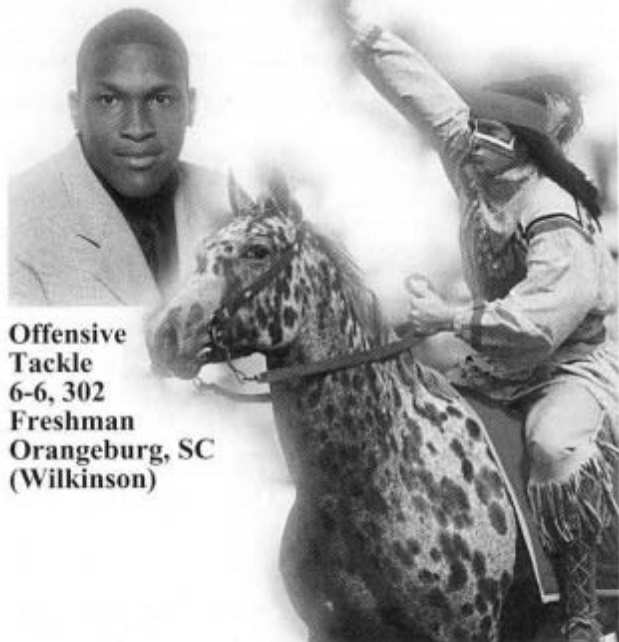
**1998:** Sat out the season as a redshirt after transferring from Georgia Southern.

**High School:** Three-year starter and four-year member of the varsity team while at Mitchell-Baker High School...was a three-time first team All-Southwest Georgia selection...earned first team all-region and all-state honors as a senior...helped his team to the state playoffs all four years and was a member of the state championship team as a freshman...started at center and guard on offense and tackle on defense...selected to play in the Florida-Georgia All-Star game but a sprained ankle kept him from participating...did play in the Georgia North-South All-Star game...signed with Georgia Southern as a senior, selecting the Eagles over Furman...also a member of the baseball, golf, and track and field teams in high school.

**Personal:** Born November 29, 1978...majoring in real estate.

# Alex BARRON

## #70



**Offensive Tackle**  
6-6, 302  
Freshman  
Orangeburg, SC  
(Wilkinson)

**At Florida State:** Suffered a knee injury during the very first practice of last season...knee surgery and the rehabilitation process kept him out of spring drills...has coaches expecting big things when he learns the system...listed third on the depth chart behind returning starter Brett Williams and Rian Cason at split tackle...has great size and speed, but needs experience to compete for playing time.

**2000:** Redshirted due to a knee injury he suffered during preseason workouts.

**High School:** A standout offensive lineman with both size and quickness...*PrepStar* and *Football News* All-American...named to *PrepStar's* 1999 Top 100 (No. 3 offensive lineman) Dream Team...listed as the No. 5 prospect in the Atlantic Region by *PrepStar*...named to the *Orlando Sentinel's* All-South team...*SuperPrep's* No. 15 offensive lineman...rated as the No. 19 offensive lineman in the nation by *Rivals100.com*...*G&W's* No. 3 ACC-area prospect...Jeff Whitaker's *Deep South Football Recruiting Guide* South Carolina Player of the Year...1st team All-South by Fox Sports Net...*Orlando Sentinel's* Top 100 National Player...graded out at better than 92 percent and had 61 pancake blocks as a senior...also played basketball in high school...reported a 320-pound bench press and a time of 5.1 in the 40-yard dash...chose FSU over Notre Dame, South Carolina, Georgia Tech, and Georgia.

**Personal:** Born on September 28, 1982...majoring in computer and information sciences.

# Atrews BELL

## #26



**Flanker**  
5-11, 201  
Senior  
Jacksonville, FL  
(Lee)



**At Florida State:** Enters his senior season as the Seminoles' top returning receiver with 10 touchdown receptions and 675 yards last season...begins preseason practice listed at No. 1 at flanker with Talman Gardner...caught five passes for 49 yards in the Garnet and Gold game...recruited as a walk-on in 1997 and earned a scholarship one week into practice.

**Junior Year (2000):** Had a breakout year with 10 touchdown catches which was second best on the team and tied for eighth on the FSU single season touchdowns list...had just four touchdown catches coming into the season...played in all 13 games...led Florida State with seven receptions for 137 yards in the national title game against Oklahoma...recorded 675 receiving yards which ranked second on the team and more than tripled his total yardage from the two previous years combined (222)...led the team in scoring, along with Marvin Minnis, with 66 points...ranked fourth on the team with 37 receptions and averaged 18.2 yards per catch...recorded three games of 100+ yards...best performance was a career-high and team-leading 146 yards at Miami on six catches...had six receptions for 111 yards in the Clemson game...had three catches for 96 yards and two touchdowns vs. North Carolina...had two scores in the Maryland and Duke games...had at least one catch in all 13 games and scored touchdowns in seven of them...averaged 56.2 yards per game, good for second on the team and sixth in the ACC...had a career-long 48-yard catch in the Duke game...also had a rushing touchdown.

**Sophomore Year (1999):** Finished fifth on the team with 202 yards and sixth with 14 receptions...averaged 14.4 yards per catch...ranked second behind only Peter Warrick with four touchdown receptions...recorded his first career TD in 42-10 win at North Carolina, a 35-yarder from Chris Weinke just

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before halftime...pulled down scoring catches of 12 and nine yards in FSU's 33-10 Homecoming win over Wake Forest...season-long reception was a 30-yard touchdown from Weinke in the home finale vs. Maryland.

**Freshman Year (1998):** Reserve at flanker who appeared in eight games...backed up All-American Peter Warrick...caught two passes for 18 yards on the year...first catch of his career was a 10-yarder from Chris Weinke in the Seminoles' 26-14 win at Miami...also had an eight-yard reception in the win over North Carolina.

**1997:** Originally came to the program as a walk-on but was awarded a scholarship one week into fall practice...sat out the season as a redshirt.

**High School:** One of the state's top all-around players at Lee High School...played quarterback his final three seasons and passed for more than 3,100 yards...also rushed for over 2,000 yards during his career...led his team to the state semifinals as both a junior and senior...earned All-First Coast honors at quarterback...selected to play for the North team in the Florida Shrine Bowl...chose to walk-on at FSU despite receiving scholarship offers from Indiana and Marshall.

**Personal:** Criminology major...born January 10, 1978...attended the same high school as former Seminoles LeRoy Butler (Green Bay) and Edgar Bennett (NFL-Alum).

### BELL'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	REC	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1998	2	18	9.0	0	10
1999	14	202	14.4	4	30
2000	37	675	18.2	10	48
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>895</b>	<b>16.9</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>48</b>

# Tony BENFORD

## #97



**Noseguard**  
6-4, 287  
**Junior**  
Denver, CO  
(Jefferson)



**At Florida State:** Moves from defensive tackle to noseguard this year as the backup to returning starter Jeff Womble...tallied one unassisted tackle in the spring game...was fifth on the returning defensive line in career tackles (36) last year.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** Appeared in nine games...recorded two tackles for loss and two quarterback hurries...credited with 24 tackles on the season including 15 unassisted tackles...most productive game of the season came against Duke when he recorded a game-high seven total tackles and two tackles for loss...finished the season ranked 19th on the squad's defense in total tackles.

**Freshman Year (1999):** Played in eight games...recorded sacks against Duke, North Carolina and Wake Forest...finished season with 12 total tackles, five solo tackles and four tackles for loss...had his best game against Duke by recording a season-high four tackles, a sack and a third-down stop.

**1998:** Redshirted along with most of the members of his recruiting class.

**High School:** Was a first team All-Colorado defensive line selection after recording 20.5 sacks as a senior at Jefferson High...played just two years of football there...registered 95 tackles as a senior and had 21.5 sacks during his junior season...earned honorable mention All-America status from both *SuperPrep* and *PrepStars*...also a member of the Jefferson basketball team...selected the Seminoles over Nebraska, Oklahoma State, Texas and North Carolina.

**Personal:** Born on January 1, 1980...social science major...first Seminole player to hail from Colorado since Scott Bentley, who hit the field goal that won the 1993 National Championship game against Nebraska in the Orange Bowl.

### BENFORD'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT
1999	5	7	12	4	3	0	0
2000	15	9	24	2	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### KEEPING UP WITH THE JONESES...

A total of 16 Seminoles on the 2001 roster share the same last name. Only two pair are related Brett and Blake Williams (brothers) and Ron and Anquan Boldin (cousins). To make it even more confusing, five groups of the players with the same last name play on the same side of the ball.

Here's a list of the seven sets of shared last names:

**Williams** (Brett, Blake & Todd)

**Boldin** (Anquan & Ron)

**Howard** (Abdual & Charles)

**Jackson** (Alonzo, Gennaro & O.J.)

**Brown** (Milford & Rufus)

**Carter** (Donnie & Jerome)

**Jones** (Greg & Willie)



*Abdual Howard*

# Anquan BOLDIN

## #4



Quarterback  
6-2, 205  
Junior  
Pahokee, FL  
(Pahokee)



**At Florida State:** Enters the fall locked in a battle with Chris Rix for the starting job at quarterback for the 2001 Seminoles...started at wide receiver and played in all 13 games last year, but could be one of the biggest stories in college football this year if he wins the job vacated by Heisman Trophy winner Chris Weinke...made great progress over 20 spring practices after not playing quarterback since an outstanding career at the position in high school...listed at second team behind redshirt freshman Chris Rix as preseason drills begin...instinctive quarterback who seemed to become more and more at ease over the spring...worked out with Peter Warrick over the summer to improve his passing skills...very fast and elusive with a strong arm...*USA Today* first team All-America quarterback as a high school senior and the Player of the Year in Florida.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** Ranked third on the team with 41 catches and six touchdowns...was also third on the team with 664 receiving yards which was nearly six times the yardage he had in his freshman campaign...played in all 13 games as the Seminoles played in their third straight national title game...had his first career 100-yard game on three catches against Georgia Tech...had six catches for a career-high 108 yards and two touchdowns at Miami...snared a career-high seven receptions for 69 yards in the win over Florida...totaled at least two receptions in all 13 games...averaged 16.2 yards per catch and 55.3 yards receiving per game...scored touchdowns in four games...season-long reception was a 60-yarder in the Virginia game.

**Freshman Year (1999):** One of three true freshman to see playing time along with Nick Maddox and Alonzo Jackson...played in 10 games and started against Wake Forest when FSU opened in a four receiver set...made an immediate impact in his first college game, catching two touchdown passes against

Louisiana Tech in the season opener...scored FSU's first touchdown of the season against Tech on a four-yard strike from Chris Weinke and later caught another for a 29-yard touchdown...finished the season with 12 catches for 115 yards and two touchdowns...also scored one rushing TD when he lined up at quarterback against Wake Forest and ran two yards on a QB draw...finished with four rushes for 33 yards and three kickoff returns for 55 yards.

**High School:** Regarded as one of the top prospects in the country by nearly every recruiting publication...a *USA Today* first-team selection and the Florida Player of the Year...a first-team Class 3A all-state player who was named Florida's Mr. Football...*SuperPrep's* No. 1 skilled athlete and No. 1 prospect nationally...Gatorade Circle of Champions High School Football Player of the Year for Florida (overall athletic and academic excellence)...rated the top player in the state by the *St. Petersburg Times*, *Tampa Tribune* and *Gainesville Sun*...named to the *PrepStar* Dream Team and listed as the No. 2 athlete in the nation...completed 133 of 233 passes for 2,482 yards and 36 touchdowns as a senior at Pahokee...also rushed for 1,497 yards and 20 touchdowns... nabbed four interceptions on defense...set a state of Florida record with 11,433 total yards in his career...selected FSU over Florida and Miami.

**Personal:** Cousin of FSU offensive lineman Ronald Boldin...majoring in criminology...born October 3, 1980.

### ANQUAN BOLDIN'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	REC	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1999	12	115	9.6	2	29
2000	41	664	16.2	6	60
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>779</b>	<b>14.6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>60</b>

# Ronald BOLDIN

## #51



Offensive Guard  
6-5, 309  
Senior  
Pahokee, FL  
(Pahokee)



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**At Florida State:** Will battle newcomer Milford Brown for starting honors at split guard this season...moved over from the defensive line following his freshman season and provided much needed depth on the offensive line...has gradually worked his way into more time on the field...enters fall practice No. 2 on the depth chart at the split guard position...has been a mainstay on FSU special teams.

**Junior Year (2000):** Backed up starter Justin Amman at the split guard position...first year with full-time duty on the offensive line after playing mostly special teams as a sophomore...did not allow a quarterback sack...had a season-high three intimidations against Clemson as Florida State won at home 54-7...had at least one intimidation in each game for a season total of 18...one of 16 players to earn his degree prior to the bowl game.

**Sophomore Year (1999):** Saw most of his playing time on Seminole special teams as a sophomore...played at both tackle positions.

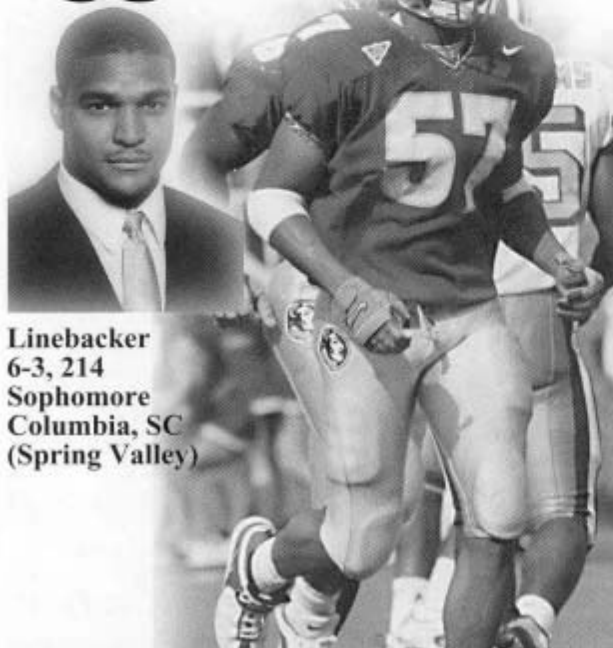
**Freshman Year (1998):** Did not see any action during the season...slowed by his transition from the defensive line during preseason practice...worked with the Seminole scout units.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Redshirted.

**High School:** Rated among the top 20 offensive linemen in the Southeast by *PrepStar*...earned honorable mention *USA Today* All-USA status...led Pahokee to the state semifinals as a senior...a two-time Class 3A all-state second team selection...chose FSU over Ohio State, West Virginia, Auburn and Michigan State.

**Personal:** Cousin Anquan Boldin is a junior quarterback/wide receiver with the Seminoles...earned degree in criminology in December of 2000...born April 6, 1978.

## Michael BOULWARE #58



**Linebacker**  
6-3, 214  
Sophomore  
Columbia, SC  
(Spring Valley)

**At Florida State:** Enters fall as the favorite to replace Brian Allen at strongside linebacker...after a productive spring, is currently first on the depth chart heading into fall practice...recorded two tackles for loss (-11 yards) and four unassisted tackles during the spring game...true freshman who appeared in nine games and forced two fumbles for the Tribe in 2000...proved to be an exceptional special teams player and has coaches excited about his future.

**Freshman Year (2000):** FSU's top tackler on kickoff teams, but suffered an ankle injury early in the season that cut into his playing time...21st on the team with 21 tackles, including 15 solo...forced two fumbles on the season including one on the opening kickoff at Miami...had two solo tackles and an assist in his season-high performance against Florida...has speed to cover the backs out of the backfield if needed.

**High School:** South Carolina's Gatorade Player of the Year...a versatile athlete who could play both offense and defense...caught 56 passes for 1,028 yards and 11 touchdowns and rushed 31 times for 362 yards and three touchdowns on offense as a senior at Spring Valley...as a linebacker, cornerback and safety during senior year he recorded 91 tackles (71 solo), had 17 tackles for loss, six sacks, one interception, three caused fumbles, one fumble recovery for a touchdown and three blocked kicks...a *USA Today* All-USA honorable mention selection...member of the *Orlando Sentinel's* All-South team...an all-state selection in South Carolina as a senior...named *High School Sporting Report's* South Carolina Player of the Year...member of the South Carolina all-decade team...rated *SuperPrep's* No. 6 "skill athlete"...listed as the No. 12 prospect (No. 2 linebacker) in the Atlantic Region by *PrepStar*...*Rivals100.com's* No. 33 linebacker nationally...*G&W's* No. 5 ACC-area prospect...selected to play in the North Carolina-South Carolina Shrine Bowl...chose FSU over Clemson and Georgia Tech.

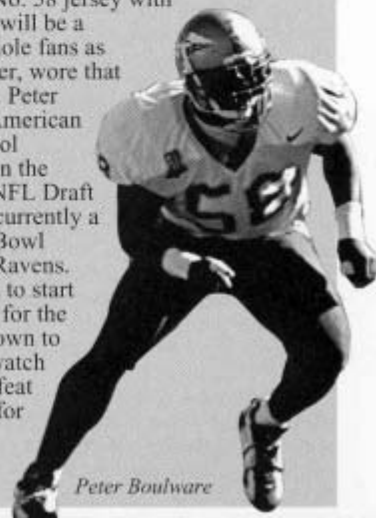
**Personal:** Brother of former FSU consensus All-American defensive end Peter Boulware, now with the Baltimore Ravens...attended the 2001 Super Bowl and watched his brother defeat the NY Giants...born September 17, 1981...will declare his major following his sophomore season.

### BOULWARE'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT	FC	FR
2000	15	6	21	0	0	0	0	2	0

### BIG NUMBER TO FILL...

Sophomore Michael Boulware, who saw extensive playing time as a true freshman in 2000, will be wearing No. 58 this season after wearing No. 57 last year. The No. 58 jersey with Boulware on the back will be a familiar one for Seminole fans as Michael's brother, Peter, wore that number from 1994-96. Peter was a consensus All-American in 1996, setting a school record with 19 sacks on the season. A first round NFL Draft pick in 1997, Peter is currently a member of the Super Bowl Champion Baltimore Ravens. Michael, who is slated to start at linebacker this year for the Tribe, made the trip down to Tampa in January to watch his brother's squad defeat the New York Giants for the World Championship.



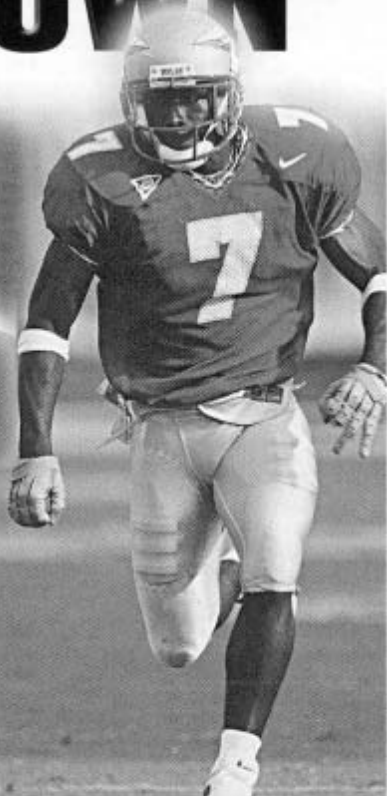
Peter Boulware

# Rufus BROWN

## #7



**Cornerback**  
5-9, 175  
Sophomore  
El Paso, TX  
(Austin)



**At Florida State:** Will battle Stanford Samuels for the starting job at the right cornerback position that was held for the last four years by consensus All-American and NFL draftee Tay Cody...earned playing time in all 13 games including the National Championship game against Oklahoma as a backup to Clevan Thomas at left cornerback...also played extensively on special teams in each game...returned his first career interception against Duke for a 28-yard touchdown...earned the award for most improved defensive back following spring drills in 1999...is one of the top students on the team who has twice earned the academic award for his class.

**Freshman Year (2000):** Recorded 18 total tackles (12 unassisted and six assisted) as he earned playing time at cornerback and on special teams...moved into a backup position at the cornerback position behind Clevan Thomas following the back injury to Malcolm Tatum...gained valuable playing time while Tatum was out...recorded a career-high three unassisted tackles in the Seminoles' victory over Duke...also returned an interception 28-yards for a touchdown against the Blue Devils...earned Victor's Club honors and Tomahawk Player of the Week honors from the coaching staff for his performance against Duke...his interception return for a touchdown was of three during the 2000 season for the Seminoles...also totaled a career-high tying three total tackles against North Carolina and Florida...recorded two tackles each against Georgia Tech, Maryland, Virginia, and NC State.

**1999:** Sat out the season as a redshirt.

**High School:** Graduated from Austin High School...was rated No. 6 by *PrepStar* in its listing of the top athletes in the nation and as the second best athlete in the Big 12 region...ranked as the 71st best prep player in the nation according to the *National Recruiting*

*Advisor...*the No. 62 prospect in the Southwest by Tom Lemming...was an option quarterback in high school...ran a 4.42 in the 40-yard dash and was a regional championship meet qualifier in the long jump as a senior member of the track team in high school...selected Florida State over Texas and Arizona.

**Personal:** Born July 18, 1980...majoring in business administration.

### BROWN'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FR	TD
2000	12	6	18	0	0	0	0	0	1

# Yohance BUCHANAN

## #18



**Free Safety**  
6-1, 194  
Sophomore  
Atlanta, GA  
(Douglass)



**At Florida State:** Will compete for playing time at the free safety position with returning starter Chris Hope and senior Gennaro Jackson...was one of seven true freshmen (and one of only two true freshmen defensive backs) to earn playing time during the 2000 season...appeared in eight games (including the National Championship game against Oklahoma) with most of his playing time coming on special teams...came to Florida State as one of the nation's most-highly recruited defensive backs...earned the defensive big hitter award along with fellow defensive back Claudius Osei at the conclusion of 2000 spring practice.

**Freshman Year (2000):** Enjoyed a solid rookie season...was one of seven true freshmen who earned playing time during the season...totaled six tackles (three unassisted and three assisted) while playing in eight games...a single-game career-high four tackles came against Duke as the Seminoles defeated the Blue Devils at home...earned Victor's Club accolades for his performance against Duke...earned playing time for the first time during his career in the second game of the season against Georgia Tech...recorded his first career tackle against Miami...also added a tackle against Virginia.

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**High School:** Graduated from Douglass High School...one of the most highly regarded defensive backs in the nation when he became a member of the Florida State program following his stellar high school career...rated as the top safety prospect in the entire Southern Region by *PrepStar*...one of three Seminole signees (Travis Johnson and Bryant McFadden are the others) who earned *Parade* All-America honorable mention honors as high school seniors...named a *PrepStar* and *Football News* All-American...named to the *PrepStar* and *Orlando Sentinel* Top 100 in 1999...rated as the No. 3 defensive back in the nation by *PrepStar* and the *Orlando Sentinel*...A *USA Today* All-USA second-team selection as a senior...tabbed the No. 4 defensive back in the nation by *SuperPrep*...member of the FoxSports Net all-South team...a *St. Petersburg Times* blue chip player...the nation's No. 1 safety prospect by *Rivals50.com*...recorded 65 tackles and four interceptions as a senior despite teams throwing away from him on a constant basis...had 10 interceptions as a junior...clocked at 4.4 in the 40-yard dash...has been likened to former NFL greats Ronnie Lott and Steve Atwater because of his size and speed...selected Florida State over Clemson, Michigan and Alabama.

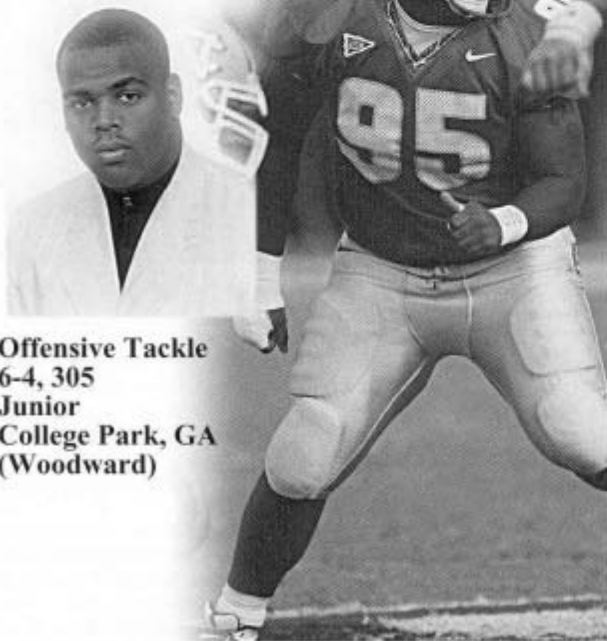
**Personal:** Born March 5, 1981...will declare a major following his sophomore year.

## BUCHANAN'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT	FC	FR
2000	3	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	0

# Rian CASON

## #95



**Offensive Tackle**  
6-4, 305  
Junior  
College Park, GA  
(Woodward)

**At Florida State:** Moves to offensive tackle after spending his first two years on defense at noseguard...enters the season second on the depth chart at split tackle behind Brett Williams...will compete with redshirt freshman Alex Barron for the backup posi-

tion at split tackle...joins an offensive line that helped the Seminoles lead the nation in passing and scoring in 2000.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** Appeared in five games on a defense that led the ACC in rushing defense (73.9 yds/gm)...registered 17 total tackles on the season including 6 unassisted tackles...had his best game of the season against North Carolina recording four tackles and two tackles for loss...five total tackles against Louisville marked an individual game high...hampered by nagging injuries early in the season.

**Freshman Year (1999):** Recorded 16 total tackles and seven solo stops while appearing in nine games for the Seminoles...recorded four tackles and his first career sack at North Carolina...had a season-high five tackles in the win over Wake Forest and another four tackle performance vs. NC State.

**1998:** Redshirted along with the majority of his recruiting class.

**High School:** Highly-acclaimed prospect out of Woodward Academy...was a second team All-USA choice by *USA Today*...recorded 73 tackles, seven sacks and blocked a kick during his senior season to earn first team all-state honors...led his team to an 11-1 season...listed as the No. 5 defensive lineman by recruiting analyst Tom Lemming...also listed as one of the country's top five defensive linemen and an All-American by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...selected to play in the Florida-Georgia All-Star Game...won the state shot put title as a junior...also a high school honor student...chose FSU over Georgia, Tennessee, Notre Dame and North Carolina.

**Personal:** Born January 18, 1980...social science major...brother David was a wide receiver at East Tennessee State who once interned in the Florida State Sports Information Department.

# David CASTILLO

## #63



**Center**  
6-2, 291  
Freshman  
Palm Beach, FL  
(Palm Beach Gardens)



**At Florida State:** Underwent surgery on his knee in 2000...should be back to full speed at the beginning of the 2001 season...listed as the second team center behind Antoine Mirambeau entering fall preseason drills...outstanding student who was the top academic performer for the freshman class last season.

**2000:** Redshirted as a true freshman.

**High School:** Named District Player of the Year as an offensive lineman...a dominant run-blocker in high school who projects to be a guard or center at Florida State...recorded 77 pancakes and helped Palm Beach Gardens rush for over 2,700 yards in 1999...bench press reported to be over 350 pounds...selected to play in the Florida-Georgia All-Star Game...competed in weightlifting and wrestling at Palm Beach Gardens...selected FSU over Kansas State, Colorado State, Indiana and Marshall.

**Personal:** Born December 8, 1981...majoring in biological sciences.

# Brett CIMORELLI

## #49



**Placekicker**  
6-4, 220  
Sophomore  
Zephyrills, FL  
(Zephyrills)



**At Florida State:** Returns to handle field goal and extra point duties after continuing to gain confidence with a solid spring and rookie season...hit two field goals in the Spring Game, including a career-long 48-yarder...was first to put the victorious Gold Team on the board with a 28-yard field goal...also helped out at the quarterback position in spring drills...came into his own toward the end of his rookie season...hit all four field goal attempts and all six extra point attempts in the Clemson game and tied an FSU record for points by a kicker (18) against the Tigers.

**Freshman Year (2000):** Slowed by a groin injury during the first half of his rookie season...took over as the starting placekicker prior to the Clemson game and immediately re-

sponded by hitting all four field goal attempts and all six extra point attempts...tied an FSU record for points by a kicker (18) against the Tigers...went seven-for-seven on extra point attempts in the NC State win and made his only field goal attempt from 38 yards out...only missed extra point of the season was against North Carolina in the third game of the year.

**High School:** A dual-sport star (football and baseball) who, because of his size, may remind some of former Seminole Sebastian Janikowski...made field goals from 55 and 54 yards and 9-of-14 field goals in his senior season...three of his five missed attempts were from beyond 52 yards...sent 26 of 28 kickoffs into or out of the end zone (from 40-yard line)...was 63 of 67 on extra points throughout career...also saw action at quarterback...a first-team all-state selection at Zephyrills High...selected to play in the Florida-Georgia All-Star Game...also punted for an average of 41 yards per punt...carried a 4.0 GPA...selected Florida State over Notre Dame, Clemson and Duke.

**Personal:** Born February 22, 1982...majoring in business finance...plays professional baseball during the summer with the Anaheim Angels' Organization.

### CIMORELLI'S CAREER STATS

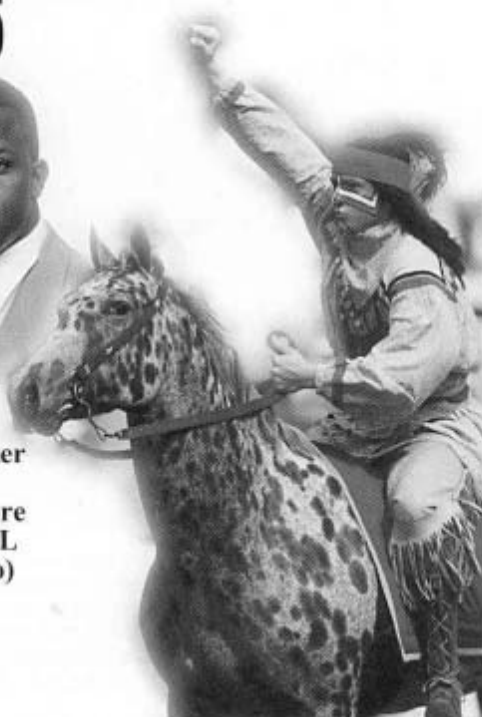
YEAR	XPM-XPA	FGM-FGA	LONG	POINTS
2000	23-24	6-9	38	59

# Cornelius COLLIER

## #5



**Linebacker**  
6-1, 230  
Sophomore  
Miami, FL  
(Palmetto)



**At Florida State:** Listed behind returning starter Bradley Jennings and Jerel Hudson at middle linebacker...should contend for playing time on FSU special teams...coaches like his play-making ability...tough, hard-nosed competitor...lacks only experience to become a solid player...had a very good spring and seems to have found a home at middle linebacker after bouncing

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between linebacking positions over his first two years.

**Freshman Year (2000):** Suffered a sprained right ankle during the first practice of the fall and missed most of the drills.

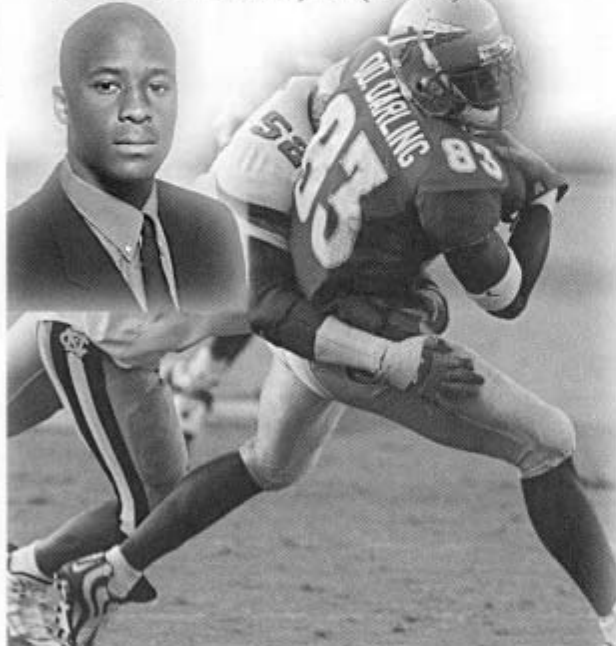
**1999:** Sat out the season as a redshirt...dressed out for the first 10 games of the season as coaches believed he might be used, due to a lack of depth at linebacker.

**High School:** Among the top linebackers in the Southeast as a senior at Palmetto High School...earned first team Class 6A all-state honors after making 127 tackles and five sacks in his final season...generally regarded as one of the two best high school linebackers in Florida, along with Seminole teammate Kendyll Pope...rated the No. 10 prospect in the state by the *Gainesville Sun*...*SuperPrep*'s No. 8 linebacker nationally...also considered one of the top 10 linebackers in the country by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...selected Florida State over Auburn and Florida.

**Personal:** Will declare a major following his sophomore year...born August 15, 1980.

# Devard DARLING

**#83** Wide Receiver  
6-3, 195, Sophomore  
Houston, TX (Austin)



**At Florida State:** Listed at third team on the depth chart at split end behind veterans Robert Morgan and Javon Walker...close to playing time in three wide receiver formations...played in four games last season...one of nine true freshmen to see action in 2000...still must be medically cleared to play for the Seminoles after the tragic death of his twin brother, FSU linebacker Devaughn Darling.

**Freshman Year (2000):** Played in four games as a true freshman...credited with two catches for 36 yards and had one touchdown...season-long was a 21-yard reception in the North Carolina game...had a 15-yard touchdown catch in the Maryland game.

**High School:** One of the top prospects in the state of Texas at wide receiver...possesses excellent size and speed...played in

a run-oriented offense at Austin...clocked by high school coaches at 4.4 in the 40-yard dash...named to the all-district team...regarded as the nation's No. 24 wide receiver and the No. 28 prospect in Texas by *SuperPrep*...listed as the No. 51 wide receiver in the nation by *Rivals100.com*...missed three games during senior season with turf-toe...selected FSU over Texas A&M.

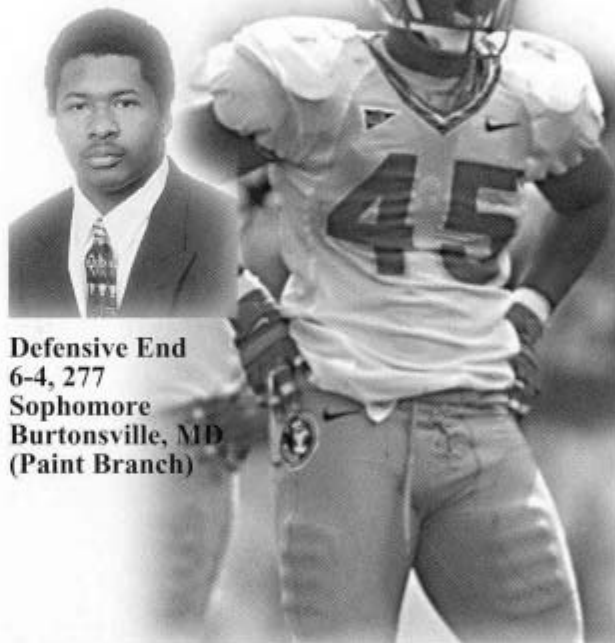
**Personal:** Major is biological sciences...born April 16, 1982...one of eight members of the FSU team who hail from the state of Texas (Rufus Brown, Kevin Emanuel, Montrae Holland, Patrick Hughes, Bobby Meeke, B.J. Ward and Ray Willis are the others).

### DARLING'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	REC	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
2000	2	36	18.0	1	21

# Darnell DOCKETT

**#45**



Defensive End  
6-4, 277  
Sophomore  
Burtonsville, MD  
(Paint Branch)

**At Florida State:** Named a freshman All-American, as well as earning second team All-ACC honors in his first season at Florida State...recognized as the Freshman Defensive Player of the Year by *Football News*...returns to his starting position at defensive tackle where he teams with Jeff Womble to give the Seminoles exceptional interior line play...is one of only two returning starters on the defensive front...started his career at Florida State as a reserve at left end, backing up David Warren before moving to his starting role at defensive tackle...was named King Of The Boards and won the Big Otis Award in spring ball...tackle total (66) is second only to Chris Hope among returning FSU defenders.

**Freshman Year (2000):** Named second team All-ACC as a freshman after starting the last 10 games of the year at defensive tackle...earned freshman All-America honors...won Victor's Club honors after Louisville and Florida games...tied

for the team lead in tackles for loss (19), led the team in quarterback hurries (18) and was third on the team in sacks (7)...recorded 66 total tackles and 32 unassisted tackles in 2000...set individual high for total tackles (7) in games against Louisville, Maryland, Virginia and NC State...recorded at least two tackles in every game in 2000...recorded sacks against BYU, Georgia Tech, Louisville, Duke, Clemson and NC State (2)...ranked seventh on the team in tackles and had the most tackles of any freshman on the team...ranked fifth in the ACC in tackles for loss.

**1999:** Redshirted along with the majority of his recruiting class.

**High School:** Regarded by many as the top defensive end in the nation...a first-team *USA Today* All-American and Maryland Player of the Year...a *Parade* All-American...1998 Gatorade Circle of Champions High School Player of the Year for Maryland (overall athletic and academic performance)...ranked the No. 2 prospect in the nation by RivalNet...rated the No. 3 prospect nationally by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...*SuperPrep's* No. 2 defensive lineman and No. 25 prospect nationally...No. 17 prospect in the country by *The Sporting News*...Tom Lemming's No. 6 prospect in the Mid-Atlantic region (No. 42 nationally)...ranked No. 13 in the country by the *Tampa Tribune*...named to *PrepStar's* Dream Team...also named the Defensive MVP of the ACC region and co-MVP nationally by the same publication...tallied 171 tackles (109 solo), 15 sacks, two caused fumbles, three recovered and three blocked punts in his senior season...set a school record with 47 sacks in his career...selected FSU over Ohio State and North Carolina.

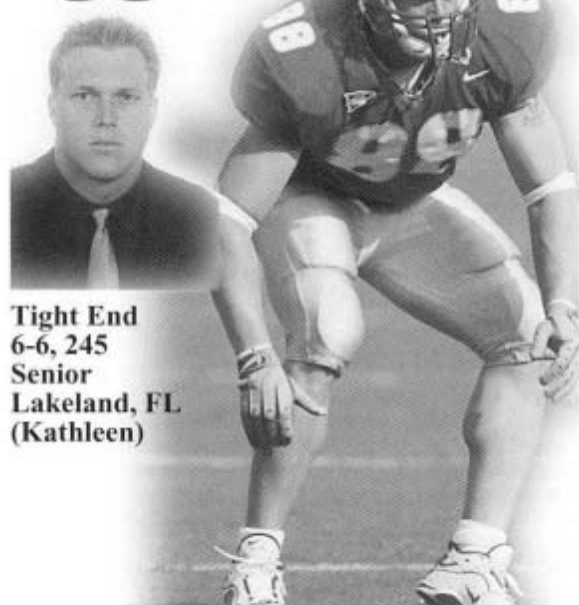
**Personal:** Will declare his major following his sophomore year...born May 27, 1981.

### DOCKETT'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT
2000	32	34	66	19	7	0	0

# Carver DONALDSON

## #88



**Tight End**  
6-6, 245  
Senior  
Lakeland, FL  
(Kathleen)

**At Florida State:** Enters the fall in a battle with Patrick Hughes for starting tight end honors...missed the last half of spring practice with a MCL sprain to his left knee, but should be at full strength come fall...saw action in 10 games in 2000...appeared in every game in 1999...sat out the 1998 campaign as a redshirt after playing in seven games as a true freshman in 1997...will continue to play on a number of special teams.

**Junior Year (2000):** Played in 10 games...had one catch for nine yards in the NC State game...saw playing time on short yardage unit as well as on special teams...saw increased playing time over the second half of the season when starting tight end Nick Franklin was lost with a knee injury...backed up Ryan Sprague for most of the season.

**Sophomore Year (1999):** Third team tight end who made one catch during the season...appeared in every game, mostly on special teams...reception came for 19 yards in the Seminoles' 33-10 win over Wake Forest...saw playing time on short yardage unit as well as on special teams.

**1998:** Suffered a chest injury during the preseason and was forced to sit out the season as a redshirt.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Saw action in seven games as a true freshman and was one of 15 true freshmen to letter...recorded two catches for 39 yards on the season...first career catch, a 14-yarder, came at Virginia...had a 25-yard reception from Chris Weinke in Florida State's home finale against Wake Forest.

**High School:** Pulled down 25 receptions and a pair of touchdowns during his career in a run-oriented offense...named to the Forrest Davis All-South first team...also listed among Davis' Florida Top 12...received a perfect 10.00 rating from Jeff Whitaker's *Deep South Football*...rated as the No. 16 prospect in Florida and No. 19 offensive lineman nationally by *SuperPrep*...rated the No. 1 tight end in Florida, No. 4 tight end nationally and No. 72 overall nationally, receiving a 6.0 on a 6.1 scale by the *National Recruiting Advisor*.

**Personal:** Sport management major...born October 5, 1978.

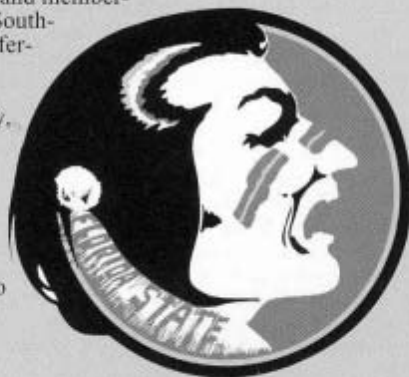
### DONALDSON'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	REC	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1997	2	39	19.5	0	25
1998	medical redshirt				
1999	1	19	19.0	0	19
2000	1	9	9.0	0	9
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>25</b>

### SCHOLARSHIPS SINCE '51...

It was not until 1951 that Florida State began to grant athletic scholarships. The move put added pressure on the program to win. FSU left the Dixie Conference and membership in the Southeastern Conference was denied.

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# Otis DUHART

## #74



**Offensive Guard**  
6-4, 288  
Senior  
Belle Glades, FL  
(Central)



**At Florida State:** Enters the 2001 season second on the depth chart at tight guard...will battle Montrae Holland for starting honors this season...started the first six games last season at tight guard before giving way to Holland who started the final seven games of the season...battled a knee injury in 1997 and redshirted...outstanding student who has already earned his undergraduate degree.

**Junior Year (2000):** Made the transition to offensive guard where he battled Montrae Holland for the starting position...graded out above 83 percent in all 12 regular season games...enjoyed his best game of the season with five intimidations against North Carolina as he helped pave the way for 540 offensive yards and an impressive 7.9 yard per play average...had four intimidations each in victories over NC State and Wake Forest as the Seminoles recorded 519 yards of offense against NC State and 546 against Wake...averaged just over three intimidations per game for the entire season...averaged nearly three intimidations in the Seminoles four games against teams in the final Associated Press Top 20 (Georgia Tech, Miami, Clemson and Florida)...did not allow a sack in 13 games...outstanding student who was the academic achievement winner for the sophomore class.

**1999:** Redshirted.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Played at tight tackle, seeing action in six games...injured knee prevented him from playing in the Seminoles' last two regular season games against Wake Forest and Florida, but was available for the Fiesta Bowl...earned Victor's Club honors for his play against Duke.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Played sparingly as a true freshman.

**High School:** First team all-state performer as a senior at

tradition-rich Belle Glades' Central High School...considered the school's top line prospect in the last 15 years...*Super Prep* All-Region selection and that publication's No. 53 prospect in Florida...earned honorable mention All-USA honors from *USA Today*...rated as the No. 16 offensive line prospect in the Southeast by *PrepStar*...named to the *Tallahassee Democrat* Top 50 and the *Florida Times-Union* Super 75...picked Florida State over Florida and Ole Miss.

**Personal:** Born February 22, 1979...has already graduated with a degree in sports management...played at the same high school as former Seminoles Wayne Messam and Jesse Hester...brother, Tony, was a lineman at the University of Florida in the mid '80's.

# Kevin EMANUEL

## #90



**Defensive Tackle**  
6-4, 246  
Sophomore  
Waco, TX  
(Waco)



**At Florida State:** Enters the fall listed as the player to beat at left defensive end...switched positions with starting defensive tackle Darnell Dockett to move to left end during the 2000 season...had two solo tackles and one assist, as well as two sacks for a loss of seven yards in the 2001 spring game...coaches named him most improved defensive end during the spring.

**Freshman Year (2000):** Started two games and played in all but one (North Carolina)...earned Victor's Club honors against BYU, Louisville and Florida...fifth on the team with nine tackles for loss and tied for fifth with three sacks...broke up one pass and recorded nine quarterback hurries...finished regular season with 43 total tackles and 21 unassisted tackles...had his most productive game of the season against Virginia with seven total tackles and three tackles for loss...recorded sacks against Virginia, Clemson and Florida...earned most improved in 2000 spring drills.

**1999:** Redshirted along with the majority of his recruiting class.

**High School:** Heralded signee from the state of Texas who was originally a member of the 1998 class...enrolled in January after meeting academic standards...tallied 71 tackles (29 solo), seven sacks, one interception (for a TD), two fumble recoveries and two fumbles caused in his senior season... the Central Texas Defensive Player of the Year...David Garvin's No. 1 defensive end in the state of Texas and No. 5 player overall...rated among the top eight rush ends in the nation and tabbed an All-American by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...named as the No. 5 defensive line prospect in the Big 12 region by *PrepStar*...*SuperPrep*'s No. 32 defensive lineman in the preseason...chose FSU over Texas, Colorado, Oklahoma State and Iowa.

**Personal:** Majoring in library and information studies...born December 6, 1979...cousin of Miami Dolphin wide receiver Bert Emanuel.

### EMANUEL'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT
2000	21	22	43	9	3	0	0

# Davy FORD

## #22



**Tailback**  
5-11, 188  
Senior  
West Palm  
Beach, FL  
(Cardinal  
Newman)



**At Florida State:** Locked in a battle with Nick Maddox and Greg Jones for the starting job at tailback...will open fall practice listed at second team behind Maddox on the depth chart...one of the fastest Seminoles on the roster who recorded a 40-yard dash time of 4.25 last spring following knee surgery...could also see action as a kick returner...has been hampered by injuries during his FSU career as he missed the final four games the 2000 season with a fractured clavicle and the entire 1998 season following reconstructive knee surgery to repair a torn ACL in his right knee.

**Junior Year (2000):** Rushed for a career-high 239 yards on 38 carries to rank fourth on the team...scored a career-best three

touchdowns on the season...also established a career-high with an average of 6.3 yards per carry...spent most of the year backing up seniors Travis Minor and Jeff Chaney at tailback...missed the last four games, including the Orange Bowl, after fracturing his clavicle at Wake Forest...had a career-long 82-yard touchdown run against Clemson...also saw time as a kick returner, bringing back two kickoffs for 27 yards...caught one pass for six yards...carried 12 times for 57 yards and one TD at Maryland.

**Sophomore Year (1999):** Returned to action after missing 1998 with a torn ACL...carried 19 times for 75 yards in a reserve role at tailback...also caught two passes for 23 yards...saw his first game action of the year against NC State and rushed for 34 yards on three attempts...also played in the UNC, Duke and Maryland games.

**1998:** Missed the entire season after suffering a torn ACL in his right knee on the first day of practice in the Superdome prior to the win over Ohio State in the 1998 Sugar Bowl...was able to redshirt after playing as a true freshman.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Enjoyed a solid rookie season...one of 14 true freshmen on the Seminole roster to see game action...one of three freshmen to earn a start at tailback...finished second on the team in rushing with 258 yards on 61 carries...scored one touchdown and averaged 4.2 yards per attempt...also caught seven passes for 48 yards and returned one kickoff for 10 yards...started for the first time against Georgia Tech and ran for 29 yards on seven carries...best game came against Miami when he rushed for 69 yards on 14 carries...scored his only touchdown of the season on a nine-yard run at Duke...finished that game with 58 yards on 11 attempts...ran five times for 44 yards against Maryland...did not play at Clemson or in the Sugar Bowl vs. Ohio State.

**High School:** Rushed for 743 yards and seven touchdowns in just four games as a senior at Cardinal Newman High School...also returned two kickoffs for scores and caught two TD passes...suffered a broken collarbone while returning the opening kickoff in his senior season's fifth game that ended his prep career...as a junior, ran for 1,587 yards to earn second team all-state honors...rated the No. 9 prospect in Florida and the No. 9 running back nationally by *SuperPrep*...earned prep All-America honors from the *National Recruiting Advisor*...named to the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* Super Southern 100, the *Tallahassee Democrat* Top 50 and the *Florida Times Union* Super 75...won the state Class 3A 100-meter title as a senior with a 10.3 clocking...selected FSU over Ohio State, Florida and Michigan State.

**Personal:** Born December 11, 1978...a political science major.

### FORD'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	CARRIES	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1997	61	258	4.2	1	23
1998	Redshirted				
1999	19	75	4.0	0	8
2000	38	239	6.3	3	82
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>82</b>

# Talman GARDNER

## #21



**Split End**  
6-2, 195  
Junior  
New Orleans, LA  
(McDonough 35)



**At Florida State:** Enters the season after an excellent spring where he was named the most improved wide receiver...caught two passes for 15 yards and a touchdown in the Garnet and Gold game...also valuable as a kick return specialist after leading the Seminoles with eight returns for 175 yards in 2000...could be in the starting rotation in the three wide receiver but is slated for considerable playing time in all formations...a high school track standout who has excellent speed.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** Saw action in 13 games...recorded 12 catches and had 198 yards receiving...had a career-long 52-yard reception in the Virginia game...had a season-high three catches for 44 yards at Wake Forest...averaged 16.5 yards per catch and 18.0 yards per game...FSU's top kick return specialist with a team-high eight returns for 175 yards for an average of 21.9 per game.

**Freshman Year (1999):** Appeared in all 12 games as a redshirt freshman...finished the year with seven receptions for 123 yards...averaged 17.6 yards per catch...caught three passes for 51 yards in the season-opener against Louisiana Tech, including a season-long reception of 33 yards...averaged 21.5 yards on eight kickoff returns...also had two carries on reverses for 23 yards.

**1998:** Redshirted along with the majority of his recruiting class although coaches were impressed enough with him in the preseason to plan on playing him before hernia surgery prevented it.

**High School:** Considered one of the nation's top three high school wide receivers by most recruiting analysts after his final season at McDonough 35 High...earned *Parade* All-America honors and was a second team All-USA selection by *USA*

*Today...* pulled down 47 passes for 944 yards and 13 touchdowns as a senior for a 20.1 yards per catch average...listed as *PrepStar's* No. 1 wide receiver prospect in the country...*SuperPrep's* No. 3 ranked wideout...state 200 meters champion as a junior and senior and the runner-up in the 100 meters...clocked at 10.5 in the 100 and 21.2 in the 200...chose Florida State over Georgia, LSU, Tulane and Florida.

**Personal:** Born March 10, 1980...social science major...one of three Louisiana natives on the Seminole roster (Javon Walker and signee Paul Irons are the others)...his signing continued a pipeline of Louisiana natives coming to FSU in the '90s...others include NFL Draft picks Sean Jackson, Chris Cowart, Warrick Dunn and Travis Minor.

### GARDNER'S CAREER STATS

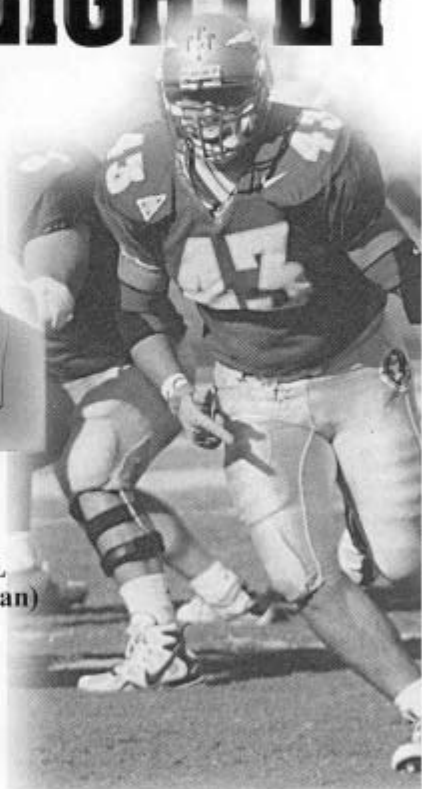
YEAR	REC	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1999	7	123	17.6	0	33
2000	12	198	16.5	0	52
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>16.9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>52</b>

# Randy GOLIGHTLY

## #43



**Fullback**  
6-2, 237  
Sophomore  
Tallahassee, FL  
(N. Fla. Christian)



**At Florida State:** Sophomore who enters fall practice at second team fullback along with Chad Maeder behind senior William McCray...stepped in for an injured McCray last season and started three games at fullback...was third on the team with four rushing touchdowns...has shown good hands as a receiver out of the backfield and is a solid run blocker...will also see time as a special teams contributor and in short yardage situations.

**Freshman Year (2000):** Started three of the last four games of the season at fullback after regular starter William McCray went down with an ankle injury against Clemson...carried 16 times for 49 yards and ranked third on the team with

four scoring runs...recorded six catches for 42 yards...ran five times for 19 yards and one TD at NC State...scored a career-high two touchdowns in FSU's 54-7 win over Clemson...caught three passes for 15 yards in the Orange Bowl against Oklahoma.

**1999:** Redshirted along with most of his recruiting class.

**High School:** Played linebacker in high school, earning first-team Class 2A All-State honors as a linebacker at North Florida Christian in Tallahassee...rated the No. 63 prospect in Florida by *SuperPrep*...ranked No. 116 in the Southeast by Tom Lemming...recorded 146 tackles (23 for a loss) as a senior...exceptional strength with a bench press of more than 420 pounds...selected FSU over Wake Forest and Southern Miss.

**Personal:** Will declare a major following his sophomore year...born August 13, 1980.

### GOLIGHTLY'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	CARRIES	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
2000	16	49	3.1	4	10

# Chance GWALTNEY

## #43



**Punter/Kicker**  
5-10, 165  
Junior  
Cairo, GA  
(Cairo)



**At Florida State:** Enters his junior season as the likely candidate to take over the punting duties vacated by four-year starter Keith Cottrell...has a powerful leg for his size...could also compete at placekicker...punted five times for 236 yards, including a long of 66 yards, in the spring game for an average of 47.2 yards per punt...made considerable contributions in sophomore campaign, playing in seven games and kicking field goals in six of those contests...was 18-of-20 on point after attempts in 2000.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** Played in seven games, kicking field goals in six of them...knocked 18 points after touchdowns through the uprights on 20 attempts...saw his first action of the season at Georgia Tech when he went 3-for-3 on extra-points and

1-for-1 on field goal attempts, accounting for six of the Seminoles' points...had a season and career-high scoring day when he went 4-for-4 against Virginia on extra points as well as going 3-for-3 on field goal attempts for 13 points...went 9-for-9 in extra points against the Duke Blue Devils...had a career-long field goal of 39 yards against North Carolina...also had a 21-yard and 36-yard field goal against Georgia Tech and Virginia, respectively.

**Freshman Year (1999):** Gained valuable experience as a backup to Keith Cottrell and Sebastian Janikowski...punted twice on the season, once at North Carolina and once against Duke...both kicks traveled 39 yards...did not kick off or attempt any field goals.

**1998:** Walked on and sat out the season as a redshirt.

**High School:** Earned first team all-state honors as a senior at Cairo High School in Cairo, GA...selected to play in the Florida-Georgia All-Star game...gave Georgia the victory with a game-winning 33-yard field goal in the closing seconds.

**Personal:** Sports management major...born April 1, 1980.

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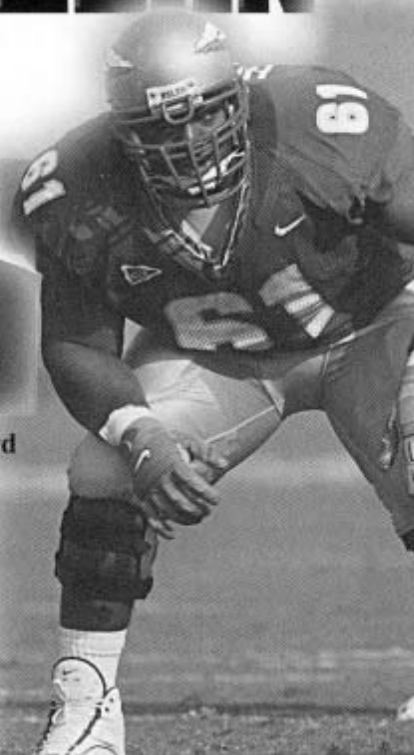
YEAR	PUNTS	YDS	AVG	BLK	LG	XPM-XPA	FGM-FGA	PTS
1999	2	78	39	0	39	0-0	0-0	0
2000	1	39	39.0	0	39	18-20	5-7	33
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>39.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>18-20</b>	<b>5-7</b>	<b>33</b>

# Montrae HOLLAND

## #61



**Offensive Guard**  
6-3, 325  
Junior  
Jefferson, TX  
(Jefferson)



**At Florida State:** Enters his junior season at first team tight guard and should contend for postseason honors...will compete with Otis Duhart for the starting position in 2001...became the starter at tight guard against Duke in 2000 and started the final seven games...helped lead an FSU offense to a third straight National Championship game...injuries have been his biggest problem at FSU...as good as any player on the field when he is

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healthy...one of the strongest players on the team with a bench press of over 500 pounds.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** Among the team leaders in intimidations and cut blocks...top game of six intimidations came against then No. 10 Clemson...added five intimidations in victories against Duke and Wake Forest...graded out at a season-high 91 percent at Duke and 90 percent against Georgia Tech...earned grades of 81 percent or better in all 13 games...did not allow a sack in 13 games played...one of the big reasons that FSU's offense led the nation in passing and scoring.

**Freshman Year (1999):** Backup to All-American Jason Whitaker at offensive guard...played brilliantly in the Clemson game when Whitaker missed all but a couple of plays with the flu...suffered a severe ankle sprain against Clemson and missed the rest of season.

**1998:** Redshirted along with most of his class.

**High School:** Considered one of the top three offensive linemen in Texas after his senior season at Jefferson High School...also played on the defensive front where he recorded 71 tackles, three sacks and two fumble recoveries as a senior...rated the No. 9 offensive line prospect in the Big 12 region by *Prep Star*...earned All-American honors from the *National Recruiting Advisor*...also an accomplished track and field performer in high school...selected Florida State over Texas, Texas A&M, Texas Tech and Oklahoma.

**Personal:** Born May 21, 1980...majoring in sociology...one of eight Texans on the Seminole roster.

# Chris HOPE

## #28



**Free Safety**  
6-0, 208  
Senior  
Rock Hill, SC  
(Rock Hill)



**At Florida State:** An All-America candidate as one of the nation's top safeties...returns as a starter for the second consecutive season...also a contender for Academic All-America honors after earning All-America first-team honors for his work in the

classroom as a junior...carries a grade point average over 3.0...has been the starter at free safety in the last two national championship games...bench presses more than 400 pounds...twice earned the award for the most dependable defensive back following spring practice...has 158 total tackles entering his senior season...another in the long line of Seminole players who decided to complete his four years of playing eligibility and not declare himself eligible for the NFL Draft.

**Junior Year (2000):** An All-ACC second-team selection who started all 13 games at free safety and was credited with 83 total tackles...ranked fourth on the team (and first among defensive backs) with a career-high 83 tackles, which included a career-high 51 unassisted stops...led all Seminole defensive backs with a 6.8 tackles per game average...recorded a career-high five tackles for minus yardage and a career-high eight pass break-ups...double-figure tackles came against North Carolina, Louisville and Miami...credited with a career-high 11 tackles (eight solo and three assists) to go along with two pass break-ups against Miami...two of his tackles against the Hurricanes went for minus yardage...also a strong performance against North Carolina with 10 tackles and a fumble recovery that he returned 12 yards for a touchdown...seven total tackles, one tackle for loss, one interception and two pass break-ups in Florida State's victory over Florida...two interceptions, one against Maryland and one against Miami brought his career total to six...had seven or more tackles in eight of Florida State's 13 games...named to the Victor's Club five times and earned Tomahawk Player of Game honors against North Carolina...top academic performer in his class.

**Sophomore Year (1999):** Played in all 12 games including the Seminoles' National Championship victory over Virginia Tech...finished 10th on the team in tackles with 41 including 28 unassisted stops...the co-leader (with Derrick Gibson) on the team with four interceptions...interceptions came against Louisiana Tech, Duke, Virginia and Florida...his interception against Florida was at the goal line late in the game and helped preserve the Seminoles' 30-23 victory in Gainesville...also credited with two big third-down stops against Florida...recorded two tackles for minus yardage and caused a fumble...was also a major contributor on special teams.

**Freshman Year (1998):** Played in all 13 games including the National Championship game against Tennessee...was the backup to starter Dexter Jackson at free safety...was also a key contributor on special teams...recorded 34 tackles including 24 unassisted stops...credited with two pass deflections in Florida State's victories over Miami and Florida...recovered a fumble against Southern Cal in only his second career game in Doak Campbell Stadium...earned kicking game Victor's Club Honors five times...also garnered defensive Victor's Club honors against Wake Forest, Clemson and Florida.

**High School:** A *USA Today* All-USA first-team and *Parade* All-America selection as a senior...named the *USA Today* Player of the Year in the state of South Carolina...selected to the *PrepStar's* Dream Team and ranked as the No. 1 defensive back prospect in the nation by the renowned recruiting publication...tabbed the No. 6 prospect at all positions nationally by Bill Buchalter...earned All-America first-team honors from G&W recruiting...rated the No. 3 defensive back and the No. 50 overall prospect in America by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...a member of the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* Super Southern 1000...selected to the *Orlando Sentinel* All-Southern team...the No. 8 overall rated recruit and No. 1 defensive back recruit nationally by the *Tampa Tribune*...ranked as the sixth-best recruit nationally by the *St. Petersburg Times*...recorded 114 tackles and three interceptions as a defensive back while rushing for 1,319 yards and 20 touchdowns as a running back...totaled 464 tackles, 10 interceptions and four fumble recoveries during his four-year varsity career...established a school record as he started 55 consecutive games during his star-studded prep career...selected Florida State over Michigan, Florida and South Carolina.



**Personal:** Born Sept. 29, 1980...major is communications...earned Academic All-America first-team honors as a junior and will be in contention for the honor again as a senior.

### HOPE'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT	FC	FR
1998	24	10	34	0	0	2	0	1	1
1999	28	13	41	2	0	0	4	1	0
2000	51	32	83	5	0	8	2	1	1
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>

# Abdual HOWARD

## #12



**Rover**  
6-0, 200  
Senior  
Quincy, FL  
(Shanks)



**At Florida State:** The new starter at the all-important rover position that was manned by three-year starter and NFL first round pick Derrick Gibson from 1998-2000...saw action in 12 of Florida State's 13 games in 2000 with all of his action coming at the rover position...can play either safety position and has extensive experience in the Seminoles' nickel defense packages.

**Junior Year (2000):** Played in 12 of Florida State's 13 games, including the National Championship game against Oklahoma, as the backup to All-ACC selection Derrick Gibson...recorded a career-high 33 tackles including a career-high 20 unassisted stops...career-high six tackles came in the season opener against Brigham Young and against North Carolina...his defensive totals against BYU included a career-high five solo tackles, one tackle for loss and one pass break-up...totaled a career-high two tackles for loss on the season with one coming against Brigham Young and one coming against North Carolina...tackle for minus yardage against North Carolina was the first quarterback sack of his career...named to the Victor's Club four times during the season with the rewards coming for his play against Brigham Young, North Carolina, Louisville and

Duke...collected at least one tackle in 10 of the Seminoles' 11 regular season games and had 21 total tackles in eight ACC games...recovered a fumble in the Seminoles' victory over NC State...recorded his second career interception against Clemson in Doak Campbell Stadium.

**Sophomore Year (1999):** Played in 11 games including Florida State's national championship clinching victory over Virginia Tech in the Sugar Bowl...had two tackles in the Sugar Bowl...earned the majority of his playing time on special teams...totaled 24 total tackles (11 unassisted and 13 assisted)...recorded his second career interception and returned it for a touchdown against NC State...added four tackles against the Wolfpack as the Seminoles won at home...a career-high eight total tackles came against North Carolina...his eight unassisted tackles were as many as he recorded in the first three games of the season and as many as he would record in his final six games of the season...had 17 total tackles in a three-game span against NC State (four), North Carolina (eight) and Duke (five).

**1998:** Redshirted after suffering a compound finger fracture during pre-season drills.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Gained valuable experience as a true freshman as he played in a backup role to All-ACC selection and current Tennessee Titan, Samari Rolle...also earned playing time on special teams...played in nine games and recorded five total tackles...had a season-high three unassisted tackles in the Seminoles' victory against Miami...recorded pass break-ups in Duke and Wake Forest games...had six intimidations and five blocks on kick returns...recorded his first career interception against Georgia Tech and returned it 31 yards.

**High School:** Graduated from Shanks High School...named to the Class 4A all-state team as a senior...excelled at three different positions during his prep career...named to the *Atlanta Journal Constitution* SuperSouthern 100, the *Gainesville Sun* Top 30 and *Tallahassee Democrat* Top 50...rated as the 14th-best defensive back nationally by *SuperPrep*...ranked as the No. 4 free safety and the No. 61 overall prospect in the nation by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...listed No. 65 nationally and No. 15 in the South at free safety by Tom Lemming...selected Florida State over Georgia, Florida, Ohio State and Nebraska...scored 12 touchdowns and totaled 1,190 all-purpose yards on offense and 116 tackles and five interceptions on defense as a senior...opposing quarterbacks threw at him only nine times and completed only one pass when he lined up as a cornerback his senior season.

**Personal:** Born Jan. 27, 1979...major is criminology...attended the same high school as former Seminole and current Tampa Bay Buccaneer defensive back Dexter Jackson and current Seminole men's basketball player Monte Cummings.

### HOWARD'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT	FC	FR
1997	3	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
1998	redshirt season								
1999	11	13	24	0	0	0	1	0	0
2000	20	13	33	2	1	5	1	0	1
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

**Charles**  
**HOWARD**  
**#59**



**Defensive End**  
6-3, 235  
Sophomore  
Lake Butler, FL  
(Union Co.)

**At Florida State:** Comes off a fine spring and is slated to back up both defensive end positions...made his mark as a special teams player during his rookie season...should benefit from another preseason camp and could work his way into playing time right away...had two unassisted tackles in the spring game.

**Freshman Year (2000):** Appeared in 10 games for a unit that led the ACC in four defensive categories...recovered a fumble on the opening kickoff against Miami...had 17 total tackles in 2000 including seven unassisted tackles...recorded an individual game-high in tackles with five against the Tar Heels...earned considerable playing time on FSU special teams.

**High School (1999):** Played just five games as a senior after suffering a broken fibula...injury may have cost him a blue chip reputation, but was still one of the most highly-recruited players in the state...had seven sacks and 30 tackles in those five games in 1999...had 17 sacks and 100 tackles as a junior...started all four years at Union County...selected Florida State over Alabama, Florida, Maryland and Virginia Tech.

**Personal:** Majoring in criminology...born July 15, 1981.

**HOWARD'S CAREER STATS**

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT
2000	7	10	17	0	0	0	0

**Jerel**  
**HUDSON**  
**#42**



**Linebacker**  
6-3, 277  
Junior  
Homestead, FL  
(South Dade)

**At Florida State:** Will once again back up Bradley Jennings in the middle of the Seminole defense...emerged as an excellent backup to Jennings as a sophomore last year...played in every game but one last season including the National Championship in the Orange Bowl...coaches had moved him to the defensive line, but his speed and agility make him more effective at linebacker.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** Had an excellent preseason and gained confidence as the season went on...exceptional run stopper who has been effective dropping into coverage...36 tackles on the season ranked 15th on the team and second only to Kendyll Pope among non-starters...had 12 solo tackles and 24 assists on the year...had a season high nine tackles against Maryland, including three unassisted...followed that up with five assists against Virginia...had an interception against BYU which he returned 30 yards...also credited with a pass break-up and three quarterback hurries.

**Freshman Year (1999):** Appeared in 10 games and made 14 tackles...six of his stops were solo...backed up Bradley Jennings at middle linebacker but was also a key contributor on special teams...totaled a season-high four tackles against Duke...made three in the win at Virginia...member of the Victor's Club on special teams after his performances against Miami, Duke, NC State and Wake Forest.

**1998:** Redshirted along with the majority of his signing class.

**High School:** Emerged as one of the top linebacking prospects in the state as a senior...registered 97 tackles (10 for loss), six sacks, four interceptions and three fumble recoveries in final season...excellent coverage skills allowed him to see playing time at strong safety at South Dade...a Class 5A all-state first-

team selection...*SuperPrep*'s No. 24 prospect in Florida and No. 28 linebacker nationally...listed as the No. 2 inside linebacker in the state by the *Florida Times-Union*...a three-sport star for the Buccaneers with letters in basketball and track as well as football...named the school's athlete of the year following senior year...selected to play in the Florida-Georgia All-Star game...turned in personal bests of 4.6 in the 40-yard dash and a bench press of 365 pounds...chose FSU over Florida, Miami, West Virginia and Kansas State.

**Personal:** Football runs in the family as three of his brothers have college football experience with one brother who played at Iowa State (Kevin) and two who played for Bethune-Cookman (Nate and Eric)...born November 12, 1980...social science major.

### HUDSON'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT	FC	FR
1999	6	8	14	0	0	1	0	0	0
2000	12	24	36	0	0	1	1	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

# Patrick HUGHES

## #82



**Tight End**  
6-5, 245  
Junior  
Nacogdoches, TX  
(Nacogdoches)



**At Florida State:** Will battle Carver Donaldson for starting tight end honors after being named the Most Improved tight end following spring drills...caught one pass for 30 yards in the spring game...missed the 2000 season with a groin injury suffered during preseason drills...played in all 12 games during FSU's undefeated 1999 campaign and caught one pass for 13 yards...was one of four true freshmen to see action in 1998...excellent hands make him a receiving threat.

**2000:** Was granted a medical redshirt after suffering a groin injury during the preseason.

**Sophomore Year (1999):** Played in all 12 games...caught one pass for 13 yards during the regular season...reception came in the season-opening win over Louisiana Tech...solid blocker who also saw time in short yardage sets...also a member of several special teams units.

**Freshman Year (1998):** Played in five games as a backup to Myron Jackson and Nick Franklin at tight end as a true freshman...lone catch of the year was a six-yarder against Duke...one of four true freshmen to earn a letter on the year (Chris Hope, Jared Jones and Robert Morgan were the others).

**High School:** Rated as the nation's top prep tight end prospect by the *National Recruiting Advisor* and *SuperPrep* after his senior season at Nacogdoches High...caught 13 passes for 225 yards and four touchdowns in a run-oriented offense...a *USA Today* honorable mention All-America pick...recorded 81 "pancake" blocks...twice named All-District...selected FSU over Miami, LSU, Texas A&M and Texas.

**Personal:** Born March 24, 1980...majoring in social science...one of eight members of the FSU team who hail from the state of Texas (Rufus Brown, Devard Darling, Kevin Emanuel, Montrae Holland, Bobby Meeks, B.J. Ward and Ray Willis are the others).

### HUGHES' CAREER STATS

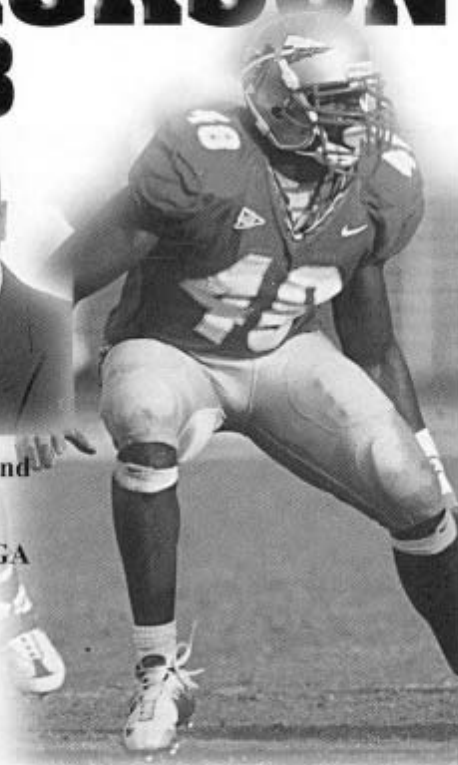
YEAR	REC	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1998	1	6	6.0	0	6
1999	1	13	13.0	0	13
2000		medical redshirt			
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>

# Alonzo JACKSON

## #48



**Defensive End**  
6-4, 255  
Junior  
Americus, GA  
(Americus)



**At Florida State:** The top reserve at defensive end last year and the starter at right defensive end as the season begins...played

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in all 13 games last season and started four...will replace Lombardi Award winner and consensus All-American Jamal Reynolds...capped an outstanding spring with three unassisted tackles, including two sacks for a total loss of 16 yards, and a tackle for a 12-yard loss.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** Ranks seventh among returning tacklers...started four games...tallied at least one tackle in all but one game...earned Victor's Club honors against Georgia Tech, Louisville, Duke and Florida games...ranked fourth in sacks for with five...registered sacks in five games...recorded six tackles for loss, two pass break ups, seven quarterback hurries and a fumble recovery...finished the regular season with 37 total tackles including 16 unassisted tackles...six tackles against Virginia marked an individual game-high for the season...recorded sacks against BYU, Georgia Tech, Duke, Virginia and Wake Forest.

**Freshman Year (1999):** Credited with 13 total tackles, three solo tackles and one pass break-up...had nine total tackles in back-to-back games vs. North Carolina (four tackles) and Duke (five tackles)...registered one solo tackle in the National Championship game vs. Virginia Tech...played in all 12 games in his rookie season.

**High School:** A standout defensive line prospect from the state of Georgia...a *USA Today* Honorable Mention All-American...selected as a *SuperPrep* All-American after playing both offense and defense in high school...a first-team Class 2A all-state selection...ranked the No. 24 defensive lineman in the nation by *SuperPrep* and the No. 25 prospect by Dixie...rated the No. 110 player in the Southeast by Tom Lemming...member of the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution's* Super Southern 100 and Top 50 in Georgia...recorded 116 tackles, 16 sacks and three blocked kicks as a senior...selected FSU over Georgia and Florida.

**Personal:** Majoring in communications...born September 15, 1980.

### JACKSON'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FRINT
1999	3	10	13	0	0	1	0	0
2000	16	21	37	6	5	2	0	1
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

### LEGACY ON THE LINE...

In the last five years, four Florida State defensive linemen have been drafted in the top 10 by NFL clubs. Of those 11 defensive linemen, more than a third were Seminoles and no school, except for FSU, has more than one former player on that list. Among that elite, all four players were collegiate All-Americans, two finished second in the voting for the Outland Trophy and Jamal Reynolds won the 2000 Lombardi Award. Peter Boulware was the fourth pick in the 1997 draft and went on to become a consensus All-NFL Rookie selection, the NFL defensive Rookie of the Year, a Pro-Bowl selection and won a Super Bowl title with the Baltimore Ravens in 2000. Andre Wadsworth and Corey Simon were both also All-NFL Rookie team selections.

**Jamal Reynolds** (Lombardi Award Winner, Overall Pick #10)

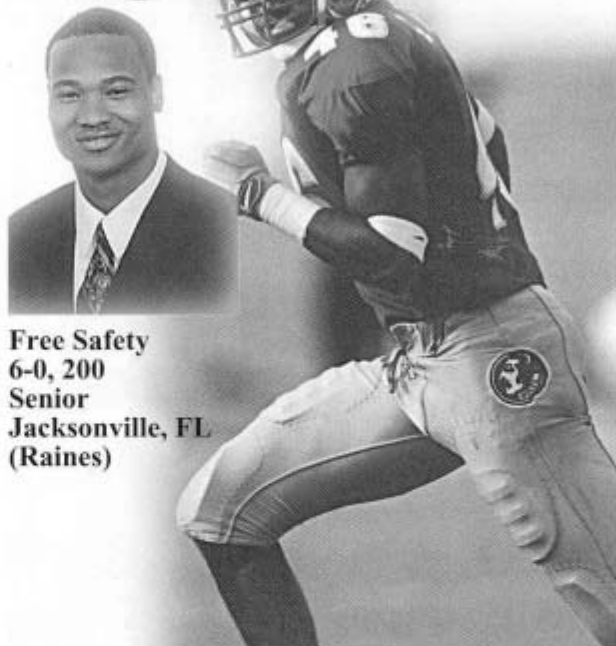
**Peter Boulware** (Consensus All-American, Overall Pick #4)

**Andre Wadsworth** (Outland Runner-up, Overall Pick #3)

**Corey Simon** (Lombardi Runner-up, Overall Pick #6)

# Gennaro JACKSON

## #46



**Free Safety**  
**6-0, 200**  
**Senior**  
**Jacksonville, FL**  
**(Raines)**

**At Florida State:** Enters fall drills listed at second team free safety behind All-America candidate Chris Hope...moved from split end to defensive back prior to the 2000 season and played in all 13 games on defense...a walk-on member of the team who earned a scholarship prior to the 2000 season...has seen considerable playing time and will be a key member of the secondary...likely to see a lot of action on special teams.

**Junior Year (2000):** Played in all 13 games...totaled 28 tackles, including 22 unassisted stops, with one quarterback hurry and one pass break-up...had a career-high eight tackles (all unassisted) against Florida...earned Victor's Club honors with his performance against Florida...had three unassisted tackles against NC State...had five total tackles (three unassisted and two assisted) in victory over Duke...recorded three total tackles (two unassisted and one assisted) in the season opener against Brigham Young at Jacksonville's Alltel Stadium in his hometown...tallied two tackles against Maryland and one unassisted tackle against Miami.

**1999:** Walk-on member of the scout team.

**High School:** Graduated from Raines High School in 1997...the team's leading receiver and also played safety as a senior...caught 40 passes for more than 800 yards in an option offense...recorded 20 tackles and two interceptions on defense...rated as one of the top 30 players in the city of Jacksonville his senior season...earned All-Academic team honors during his senior season.

**Personal:** Born Oct. 26, 1978...major is accounting...past-president of the Progressive Black Men's service organization.

### JACKSON'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT	FC	FR
2000	22	6	28	0	0	1	0	0	0

# O.J. JACKSON

**#94** Defensive End  
6-2, 247, Junior  
Miami, FL (Carol City)



**At Florida State:** Will battle fellow junior Alonzo Jackson for playing time at right defensive end...part of a deep unit that will be looked on to replace 2000 sack leader and Lombardi Award winner Jamal Reynolds...will work primarily at end after being listed at both middle linebacker and right end last year...named Most Improved Defensive Lineman, sharing the award with Eric Powell, in spring drills...had the top defensive performance in the 2001 spring game with five quarterback sacks...coaches were impressed with his breakout performance over spring drills and the effort should earn him considerable playing time this fall...played in 21 games last two seasons.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** Appeared in nine games for the nation's second-ranked rushing defense...posted multiple tackles in three games (BYU, North Carolina and Duke)...finished the regular season with nine total tackles and six unassisted tackles...bounced between linebacker and defensive end over the course of the year.

**Freshman Year (1999):** Posted 18 total tackles and two solo tackles...garnered six tackles twice during the season vs. Louisiana Tech and Duke...key member of FSU's special teams...appeared in all 12 games.

**1998:** Redshirted along with most of his class.

**High School:** Dominant defender at state powerhouse Carol City High...first team class 6A all-state selection as a senior after recording 89 tackles and 22 sacks...helped the Chiefs win back-to-back state championships as a junior and senior...ranked as the second best defensive lineman in the state of Florida as a senior by the *Florida Times-Union*.

**Personal:** Born January 17, 1980...majoring in social science...one of five players from Dade County in FSU's 1998 recruiting class...given name is Octavis, but prefers to go by his

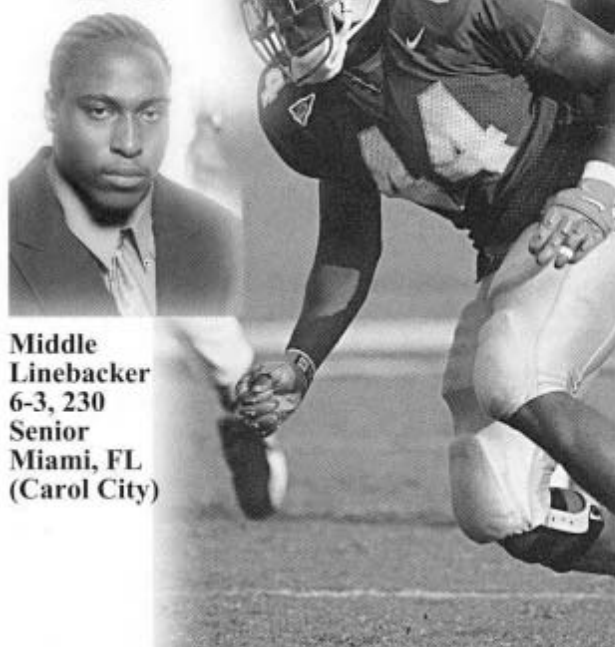
initials...graduated from the same high school as current Seminoles Bradley Jennings and Stanford Samuels.

## JACKSON'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT	FC	FR
1999	2	16	18	0	0	0	0	0	0
2000	5	3	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

# Bradley JENNINGS

**#44**



Middle  
Linebacker  
6-3, 230  
Senior  
Miami, FL  
(Carol City)

**At Florida State:** Outstanding linebacker who should contend for All-America honors as a senior...will be a three-year starter in the middle for the Seminoles...started for the Seminoles in the 1999 and 2000 National Championship games...key member of an FSU linebacking corps that limited Oklahoma to just 56 rushing yards in the 2001 Orange Bowl...one of the hardest hitters the program has seen in recent years...excellent as a run stopper in short yardage situations...has worked himself into the prototype a middle linebacker with strength to stop the run and speed to chase down the sweep...already has 222 career tackles and should finish his career as one of the school's top 10 all-time tacklers...exceptional against the run...with another productive season, should become part of the great FSU linebacker legacy that includes Marvin Jones, Sam Cowart and Derrick Brooks.

**Junior Year (2000):** Tied for the team lead in tackles with 102 last season...had 38 unassisted and 64 assists on the season...also credited with three passes broken up and eight quarterback hurries...recovered two fumbles on the year...had his best game against Florida in the season finale with seven solo stops and four assists...had a total of 12 tackles, six solo, in the win over Georgia Tech...totaled 10 or more tackles in seven games...had five solo and nine assists against Louisville.

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**Sophomore Year (1999):** Started every game at middle linebacker...finished third on the team with 94 total tackles...40 of his stops were unassisted...also made two tackles for loss and had a quarterback sack...earned Victor's Club honors from the coaching staff for nine games (Louisiana Tech, Georgia Tech, NC State, North Carolina, Miami, Wake Forest, Clemson, Virginia and Maryland)...had five double figure tackle games...posted a career-high 14 tackles at North Carolina...had 11 against Miami, Wake Forest and at Clemson...made 10 tackles against Maryland...sack came at North Carolina...had an interception in the win over Florida.

**Freshman Year (1998):** Saw playing time backing up Brian Allen and Demetro Stephens at middle linebacker...recorded 26 total tackles, 14 of which were solo...registered tackles for loss against NC State and Clemson...pulled down the first interception of his career and returned it seven yards versus Virginia...had three knock 'em backs and three intimidations on the season...piled up a career-high eight tackles against Clemson...named to Victor's Club by coaches in Virginia and Clemson contests...earned Victor's Club kicking game honors against Florida.

**1997:** Redshirted.

**High School:** Emerged late in the recruiting season after leading Carol City to the Class 6A state title...led the Chiefs in tackles and had a dominating performance in state championship game...a first-team Class 6A pick as a senior...listed as the No. 60 prospect in Florida by *SuperPrep*...rated as the No. 3 linebacker in Florida by the *Florida Times-Union*...selected FSU over Auburn and West Virginia.

**Personal:** Combines size with 4.6 speed and a 430-pound bench press...born December 2, 1977...social science major...has earned the nickname "Monster" from his teammates for his bone-jarring tackles...graduated from the same high school as current Seminoles O.J. Jackson and Stanford Samuels.

### JENNINGS' CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT	FC	FR
1998	14	12	26	2	0	0	1	0	0
1999	40	52	94	2	1	1	1	0	0
2000	38	64	102	0	0	3	0	0	2
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>

### TOUGH AGAINST THE RUSH IN 2000...

Florida State opponents averaged only 73.9 yards per game on the ground last season, a total of only 887 total yards in 12 games. The Seminoles have allowed less than an average of 100 yards rushing per game in each of the last five seasons. During the last five seasons, the Seminoles have limited their opponents to just over two yards per carry. Florida State led the ACC and ranked 10th in the nation in rush defense in 1999, and again led the league and ranked second nationally against the run in 2000.

### Rush Defense in The Last Five Seasons

YEAR	ATT	TOT YDS	YDS/CARRY	YDS/GM
2000	387	887	2.29	73.9
1999	387	1,087	2.80	98.8
1998	412	958	2.32	79.8
1997	379	571	1.51	51.9
1996	418	649	1.55	59.0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,983</b>	<b>4,152</b>	<b>2.09</b>	<b>72.1</b>

# Travis JOHNSON

## #99



**Defensive Line**  
**6-5, 282**  
**Freshman**  
**Sherman Oaks, CA**  
**(Notre Dame)**

**At Florida State:** Would likely have seen a lot of playing time as a true freshman but an injury after the opening game sidelined him for the rest of the year...listed behind returning starter Darnell Dockett at tackle...one of the nation's top recruits in 2000...wore #92 in brief appearance last year but switched to #99 this spring...tallied four unassisted tackles including a stop for a loss of two yards in the spring game.

**2000:** Granted a medical redshirt after early season injury sidelined him for the rest of the year.

**High School:** Regarded by many as the best player in the country...had 104 tackles, 32 tackles for loss and 17 sacks as a senior as well as eight blocked kicks (4 punts, 2 FG's and 2 PAT's)...one of four *Parade* All-Americans in the signing class (Buchanan, McFadden and Moore)...rushed for six touchdowns in short yardage situations in 1999...a *USA Today* All-USA first-team selection...named to *PrepStar's* 1999 Top 100 (No. 1 defensive lineman) Dream Team...listed as the No. 2 prospect in the West Region by *PrepStar*...selected a *PrepStar* and *Football News* All-American...listed 23rd on *Orlando Sentinel* Top 100 list...a *St. Pete Times* "Blue Chipper"...*Rivals100.com's* No. 2 defensive end...*SuperPrep's* No. 2 defensive lineman...ranked the No. 2 defensive lineman in the nation by G&W...set a school record for career sacks (40), tackles for loss (77), forced fumbles (14) and blocked punts (5)...chose FSU over Michigan, UCLA, Tennessee and USC.

**Personal:** Communications major...born April 26, 1982.

# Greg JONES

## #6



**Tailback**  
6-1, 235  
Sophomore  
Beaufort, SC  
(Battery Creek)



**At Florida State:** Enters fall drills listed No. 3 on the depth chart at tailback...will compete with Nick Maddox and Davy Ford for starting job held for the last three years by Travis Minor...a big, bruising back who also has excellent speed...made an immediate impact as a true freshman, ranking third on the team in rushing yards...play during his rookie season has fans anxious to see more...also contributed on special teams...wore jersey #38 as a freshman, but has now switched to #6...missed the Garnet & Gold spring game with a sprained ankle.

**Freshman Year (2000):** Saw playing time as a backup at tailback and also on special teams as a true freshman...ranked third on the team with 266 rushing yards on 41 carries...scored two touchdowns on the ground and caught two passes for 16 yards on the season...touchdowns came against North Carolina and NC State...carried seven times for a season-high 78 yards at NC State...ran for 46 yards on just three carries at Wake Forest as Travis Minor, Jeff Chaney and Davy Ford missed time due to injuries...had at least 30 yards rushing in five games.

**High School:** Outstanding two-way player in high school...rushed for over 1,600 yards and 18 touchdowns as a senior at Battery Creek...registered seven sacks in limited action on defense as a senior...named all-state as a senior...reported a 4.5 in the 40 and a 365-pound bench press...*SuperPrep's* No. 12 running back nationally and No. 3 prospect in South Carolina...listed as the No. 8 prospect (No. 1 linebacker) in the Atlantic Region by *PrepStar*...all-South selection by Fox Sports Net...listed 36th on *Orlando Sentinel's* national Top 100...a *St. Pete Times* "Blue Chipper"...*Rivals100.com's* No. 6 running back...*G&W's* No. 6 ACC-area prospect...*Atlanta Journal Constitution*

SuperSouthern 100 selection...competed in sprints for high school track team...cousin of former boxing champion Joe Frazier...selected FSU over Clemson, Michigan, South Carolina, Ohio State and Tennessee.

**Personal:** Majoring in business administration...born May 4, 1981.

# Joey KALEIKINI

## #19



**Flanker**  
6-0, 192  
Sophomore  
Niceville, FL  
(Niceville)



**At Florida State:** A walk-on member of the team who will battle for playing time at the flanker position...earned the team award as the top offensive non-scholarship player during spring practice in 2000...a standout in the Garnet and Gold game who led all receivers with 82 yards on three catches for a 27.3 yards per reception average...caught two passes for 71 yards and a touchdown in the final scrimmage of the spring.

**Freshman Year (2000):** Earned playing time in two games on special teams...played in Florida State's victories against Louisville and NC State.

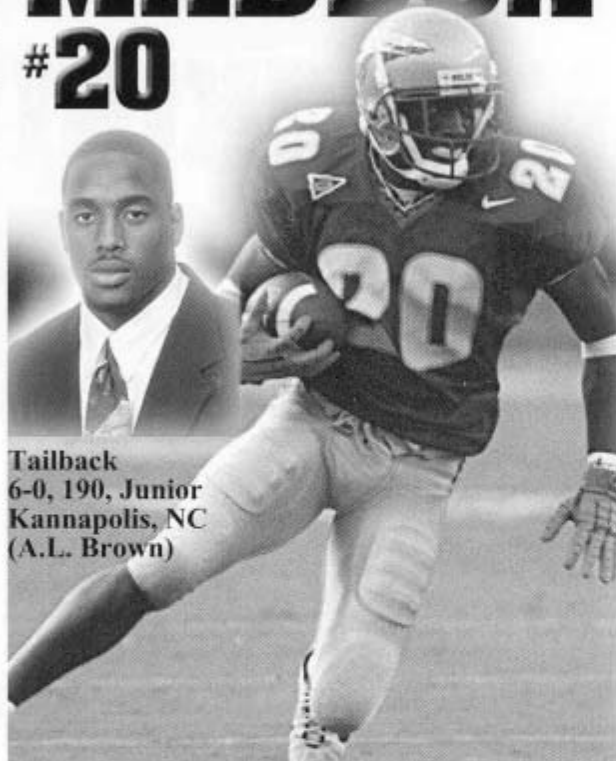
**1999:** Redshirted.

**High School:** Graduated from Niceville High School in 1999...all-county second-team selection as a senior quarterback...passed for 900 yards, nine touchdowns and zero interceptions while rushing for 440 yards and six touchdowns as a senior...Niceville went to four district championships and made four appearances in the state playoffs while he was on team...named the football team's top academic performer his junior and senior seasons...also a member of the basketball and baseball teams...earned second-team all-county honors in basketball during his senior season.

**Personal:** Born March 4, 1981...major is physics.

# Nick MADDOX

## #20



**Tailback**  
6-0, 190, Junior  
Kannapolis, NC  
(A.L. Brown)

**At Florida State:** Listed as the No. 1 tailback after a strong spring...spent the majority of the 2000 season at wide receiver, but saw time at running back following a rash of injuries at Wake Forest...led all rushers with 77 yards on seven carries in the Garnet & Gold Game this spring...responsible for the longest play from scrimmage in the spring game — a 59-yard rush...one of the nation's most sought after backs as a high school recruit...very elusive in the open field with great speed...an explosive athlete who is a big-play threat every time he touches the ball.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** Played in all 13 games as a receiver, tailback and kick returner...started the year at wide receiver, but returned to tailback when four Seminole running backs were injured in the Wake Forest game...worked at both positions during bowl practice...caught seven passes for 135 yards and one score...had two catches for 63 yards and a TD against UNC, including a career-long reception of 39 yards...rushed seven times for 70 yards...had a career-long run of 41 yards at Wake Forest...led the team with 18 punt returns.

**Freshman Year (1999):** Finished his first year third on the team with 111 yards on 29 rushing attempts...also caught five passes for 34 yards...returned two kickoffs for 43 yards...had 46 yards on seven carries in the season opening win over Louisiana Tech...rushed eight times for 39 yards at North Carolina...one of just three freshmen to play in 1999.

**High School:** One of the most sought after running backs in the country...totaled 2,536 yards and 33 touchdowns on 267 carries as a senior (9.5 yards per carry)...had 20 catches for 268 yards and eight scores...added four punt returns for touchdowns of 50 yards or more...finished his career with 6,624 rushing yards and 114 total touchdowns (state record)...a *Parade* All-American and first-team *USA Today* All-USA selection...the

*USA Today* Player of the Year for the state of North Carolina...Tom Lemming's No. 1 prospect in the Mid-Atlantic and No. 2 prospect nationally...*SuperPrep's* No. 4 running back (No. 14 player overall) nationally...No.1 running back in the country by *PrepStar* and offensive MVP of the ACC region...regarded as the No. 8 prospect in the country by *The Sporting News*...listed at No. 22 overall by the NRA...named the 1998 Gatorade Circle of Champions high school player of the year for the Southern region and state of North Carolina (athletic/academic achievement)...the No. 1 player in the state according to Bill Buchalter...also ran track and played basketball at Brown...led football team to 13-1 season as a senior...carried 10 times for 102 yards and two scores (12 and 60-yard runs) in the North Carolina/South Carolina Shrine Bowl...chose FSU over Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, Tennessee and Notre Dame.

**Personal:** Business administration major...born December 11, 1980.

### MADDOX'S CAREER STATS

#### RUSHING

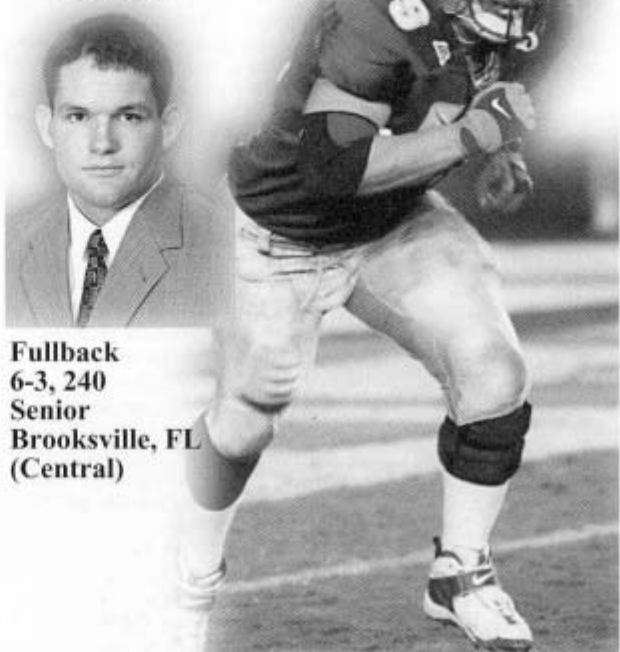
YEAR	CARRIES	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1999	29	111	3.8	0	9
2000	7	70	10.0	0	41
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>41</b>

#### RECEIVING

YEAR	REC	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1999	5	34	6.8	0	9
2000	7	135	19.3	1	39
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>39</b>

# Chad MAEDER

## #39



**Fullback**  
6-3, 240  
Senior  
Brooksville, FL  
(Central)



**At Florida State:** Former walk-on fullback who earned a scholarship in 1999...listed as co-second team at fullback (along with Randy Golightly) behind returning starter William McCray...made his first career start at fullback last season against Florida...a tough, physical player who is regarded as one of the top blockers in the FSU backfield...also sees action on special teams and in short yardage situations...should see even more action this year with FSU's commitment to the running game.

**Junior Year (2000):** Made his first career start in FSU's 30-7 win over Florida in Tallahassee...lone carry of the season was a two-yard gain at NC State...only catch of the year was a five-yard reception against the Gators...was slated to see more playing time in 2000 until a knee injury, which required surgery, sidelined him in the preseason.

**Sophomore Year (1999):** Became a very important player when starting fullback William McCray was lost for the year in the season opener...backed up Dan Kendra at fullback while also playing on special teams...carried just once for two yards and caught one pass for eight yards on the season...played much of the season with a broken bone in his hand.

**1998:** Redshirted after transferring from Millsaps College.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Played baseball and football at Millsaps College in Jackson, Mississippi.

**High School:** A three-year starter in baseball and a two-year starter in football at Central High School...the team captain of the football team as a senior and a first team Gulf Coast Athletic Conference selection...played both linebacker and tight end...caught 11 passes for 110 yards and two touchdowns as a senior...helped Central advance to the state playoffs during junior and senior seasons...a two-time GCAC 1st team honoree as a first baseman...the GCAC Player of the Year as a senior after hitting .491 with five home runs...set seven school single season batting records during senior year...named to the Hernando County All-Millennium Team for his baseball accomplishments.

**Personal:** A double major in business management and human resource management...will receive both degrees in December...hopes to pursue a graduate degree...born April 7, 1979.

### MAEDER'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	CARRIES	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1999	1	2	2.0	0	2
2000	1	2	2.0	0	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>

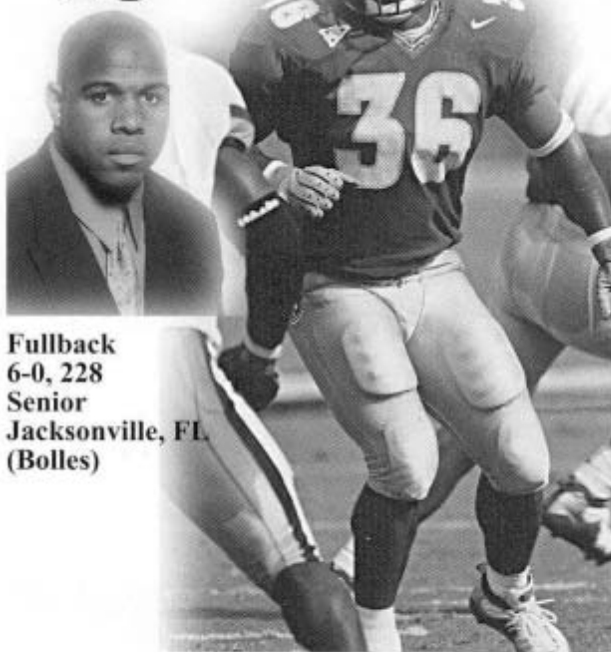
### HARD TO TOP '99...

The 1999 season would be hard for any coach to top. After all, Bobby Bowden celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary, coached his first perfect season, won a second national title, coached in the first-ever father vs. son Div. IA football game and won his 300th game against Tommy and his Clemson squad.



# William McCRAY

## #15



**Fullback**  
6-0, 228  
**Senior**  
Jacksonville, FL  
(Bolles)

**At Florida State:** Returns for his senior year as the starter at fullback...started the first nine games in 2000 before spraining an ankle prior to the Clemson game...led the team with eight rushing touchdowns in 2000...should contend for all-conference honors this season...making the jersey number switch to #15 for his senior campaign after wearing #36 throughout his career...an excellent athlete who has also lined up at tailback during his career at FSU...also a reliable receiver out of the backfield...slated to open the season as the starter at fullback in 1999, but took a medical redshirt after fracturing his right leg in the season opener.

**Junior Year (2000):** Started the first nine games of the season at fullback before spraining an ankle prior to the Clemson game...led the team with eight rushing touchdowns and ranked fifth on the squad with 131 yards on the ground...also caught four passes for 22 yards...scored two touchdowns against Maryland and Virginia...found the end zone in four other games (Georgia Tech, UNC, Duke and Florida)...ran for 25 yards on five carries against BYU...carried a career-high 10 times for 30 yards at Maryland.

**1999:** Forced to take a medical redshirt after winning starting fullback duties for the season opener...suffered a fracture in his right lower leg during the off week following the Louisiana Tech game...had successful surgery with a plate and five screws inserted to support the ankle...rushed three times for eight yards and a touchdown in the opener.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Played in 10 games after missing the Texas A&M and NC State games...suffered a sprained knee in preseason drills which kept him out of the first two games...recorded 10 carries for 22 yards and two touchdowns on the season...added two receptions for eight yards...scored his first touchdown of the year on a one-yard plunge against Duke and recorded a season-high five attempts for seven yards against the Blue Devils...added a TD run in the victory over Miami...rushed the ball four times for nine

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yards and a touchdown in the National Championship game vs. Tennessee...named to the Victor's Club after four games...also saw time on special teams.

**Freshman Year (1997):** One of 14 true freshmen to play...appeared in every game at fullback and on special teams...ran six times for 22 yards during the regular season but did not score on the ground...added eight catches for 77 yards and a TD out of the backfield...touchdown came on a nine-yard pass from Chris Weinke against Maryland...capped his rookie season with a pair of touchdowns in the Sugar Bowl win against Ohio State...TDs came on a pair of one-yard plunges.

**High School:** Rushed for over 3,000 yards during his final two seasons at the Bolles School...carried his team to the state title as a junior with a 274-yard, two-touchdown rushing performance...was a three-year starter...considered the state's top fullback prospect as a senior...combined for over 1,500 all-purpose yards, including 976 rushing, and scored 35 touchdowns as a senior...twice earned Class 4A first team all-state honors...rated as the No. 21 prospect in Florida and the country's No. 4 fullback by *SuperPrep*...was an honorable mention All-America selection by *USA Today*...earned *Florida Times Union* Player of the Year honors... chose the Seminoles over Alabama...prep teammate of former FSU All-ACC offensive tackle Char-ron Dorsey.

**Personal:** Born on January 31, 1979...majoring in criminology.

### MCCRAY'S CAREER STATS

Year	Carries	Yards	Avg	TD	Long
1997	6	22	3.7	0	10
1998	22	73	3.3	2	30
1999*	3	8	2.7	1	5
2000	45	131	2.9	8	11
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>30</b>

\*Medical Redshirt

# Bryant McFADDEN

## #8



**Cornerback**  
6-0, 176  
Freshman  
Hollywood, FL  
(McArthur)



**At Florida State:** Expected to earn extensive playing time at the left cornerback position and enters preseason practice listed second on the depth chart behind Malcolm Tatum...regarded by many as the top cornerback in the country as a high school senior in 1999...performed well in spring drills which helped him cement a spot on the depth chart and in the Seminoles' nickel packages...recorded three unassisted tackles in the annual Garnet and Gold game at the conclusion of spring practice.

**2000:** Sat out the season as a redshirt.

**High School:** Graduated from McArthur High School in 2000...regarded by most recruiting experts as the top prep cornerback in the nation...a *USA Today* All-USA first team selection as a senior...the No. 1 defensive back in the nation by and top overall prospect in the state of Florida by *SuperPrep*...a *Parade* All-America first-team selection...one of four current Florida State players (Yohance Buchanan, Travis Johnson and Eric Moore) who earned *Parade* All-America honors in 2000...selected to the *Atlanta Journal Constitution* SuperSouthern 100 team...an *Orlando Sentinel* All-South selection...the No. 1 prospect in the state of Florida according to the *St. Petersburg Times*...Rivals100.com's No. 1 cornerback in the nation...All-America first-team by *PrepStar* and *Football News*...the No. 3 prospect and No. 1 defensive back prospect in the Southeast by *PrepStar*...G&W All-American selection...totaled 150 tackles (75 in both seasons) during his junior and senior seasons...two interceptions and one for a touchdown as a senior and two interceptions as a junior...selected Florida State over Miami, Georgia, Tennessee and Michigan.

**Personal:** Born Nov. 21, 1981...will declare his major following sophomore season.

# Bobby MEEKS

## #73



**Offensive Guard**  
6-3, 285  
Freshman  
Aldine, TX  
(Nimitz)



**At Florida State:** Comes into the 2001 season listed third on the depth chart behind Montrae Holland and Otis Duhart at

tight guard...will have to compete for playing time with Holland and Duhart who combined to start all 13 games in 2000...redshirted his first year and used fall and spring practices to learn the FSU system...missed last half of spring practice with a knee injury, but should be ready in the fall.

**2000:** Redshirted as a true freshman.

**High School:** One of the top offensive line prospects in Texas...a three-year starter at Nimitz, a school that has sent 73 players to Division I or I-AA football programs over the past five years...reported to have benched 380-pounds, squat 550-pounds, and run a 4.9, 40-yard dash...earned All-District honors as a senior...selected to the 1999 Top 100 Dream Team by *PrepStar*...regarded as the No. 18 offensive lineman in the nation by *PrepStar*...ranked No. 17 on the Super 30 All-Midlands Region team by *PrepStar*...ranked No. 47 on the Austin American-Statesman's list of Texas' top 100 prospects...member of Texas' "Super Team" as one of the states' top five lineman according to according to Dave Campbell...No. 65 offensive lineman in the country according to Rivals100.com...chose FSU over Texas A&M, Texas Tech, and Oklahoma.

**Personal:** Will declare his major following sophomore year...born April 8, 1981.

# Antoine MIRAMBEAU

## #52



**Center**  
6-4, 280  
Senior  
Miami, FL  
(Miami Beach)



**At Florida State:** Enters the 2001 season as the projected starter at center...will be backed up by freshman David Castillo and senior Josh Baggs...played on the defensive line briefly early in his career...has the strength to be a dominating blocker...very talented player who has been picking up the system in practice over the last two years.

**Junior Year (2000):** Backed up starter Jarad Moon at center...has been getting repetitions at the center position since

the middle of the 1999 national championship season...graded out well throughout the season with his top performances of 88 percent coming against Maryland and Wake Forest.

**Sophomore Year (1999):** Outstanding athletic ability moved the coaches to try him along the defensive front during the first part of the season, but settled back at center over the second half of year...played behind Eric Thomas and Jarad Moon at center.

**Freshman Year (1998):** Was allowed to practice with the team, but was limited from playing by NCAA regulations.

**High School:** Widely regarded as one of the nation's top center prospects despite missing his senior season at Miami Beach High School...sat out his final prep campaign after reconstructive knee surgery to repair a torn anterior cruciate ligament...finished third in the state heavyweight wrestling championships as a senior...picked Florida State over Miami and West Virginia.

**Personal:** Born July 11, 1979...majoring in education.

# Robert MORGAN

## #87



**Split End**  
6-0, 187  
Senior  
Atlanta, GA  
(Tri-Cities)



**At Florida State:** An All-ACC candidate as one of the league's top returning receivers...has 41 career receptions for 696 yards (17.0 yards per reception) and three touchdowns ranks among the conference's returning leaders heading into the 2001 season...listed as the Seminoles' No. 1 split end on the depth chart at the beginning of preseason practice...has played in three national championship games...has five catches for 31 yards in three bowl game appearances...was limited in 2001 spring drills after having ligaments in his right thumb surgically repaired following the Orange Bowl...enrolled at Florida State in January of 1998 and participated in spring practice with the team.

**Junior Year (2000):** Had 19 catches for 366 yards and

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three touchdowns...statistics for receptions, yards, touchdowns and yards per catch (19.3) were all career-highs...played in 10 games including the national championship game against Oklahoma...had three catches for 21 yards in the national championship game...a career-high four receptions came in Florida State victories at Georgia Tech and Duke...four catches against Georgia Tech went for 71 yards and his first career touchdown...his 30-yard touchdown reception against the Yellow Jackets came with 12:58 remaining in the fourth quarter and put the Seminoles up 19-15...had four receptions for 98 yards and one touchdown vs. Duke...his career-long 71-yard reception for his third career touchdown came just 0:53 into the game and set the tone for the Seminoles' 63-14 victory over the Blue Devils...recorded a career-high 103 yards on three receptions against Maryland...had three catches for 47 yards against Miami as the Seminoles played for the first time during the 2000 season as the nation's top ranked team...recorded two catches for 19 yards against Louisville...missed the final three games of the regular season after breaking the big toe on his right foot.

**Sophomore Year (1999):** Played in all 12 games on the national championship squad...started against Louisiana Tech and Wake Forest...caught 16 passes for 245 yards on the season...average of 15.3 yards per catch was the best among receivers with at least 10 receptions...had his best game at Florida where he caught three passes for 48 yards...posted a season-long catch of 28 yards in that game...recorded three catches for 28 yards in the opener vs. Louisiana Tech...pulled down two passes for 54 yards against Wake Forest...also had two receptions at Clemson and at Virginia.

**Freshman Year (1998):** One of four true freshmen to letter in 1998 (Chris Hope, Patrick Hughes, and Jared Jones are the others)...had six catches for 85 yards on the year...best game was a three-catch, 46-yard effort in his home state at Georgia Tech...made his first career catch against Clemson and finished with two receptions for 28 yards...also had an 11-yard catch against North Carolina.

**High School:** Graduated from Tri-Cities High School in 1997...had 45 catches for 952 yards and seven touchdowns his senior season...emerged as one of the top receiving prospects in the South during his senior season...first team Class 4A All-Georgia selection his senior year...rated as the No. 5 wideout in the Southeast by *PrepStar*...an All-Southeast pick by the National Recruiting Advisor...chose Florida State over Florida, Tennessee and Georgia...high school coach was former Florida State All-American offensive lineman Michael Tanks.

**Personal:** Born Oct. 2, 1978...major is sports management.

### MORGAN'S CAREER STATS

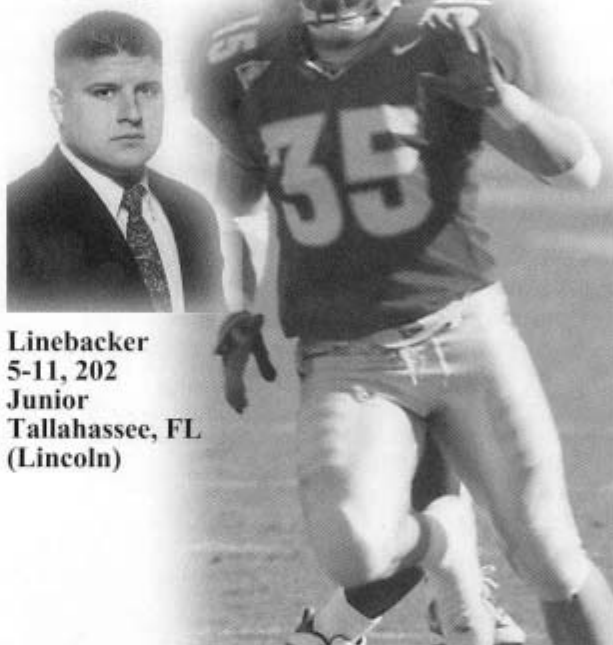
YEAR	REC	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1998	6	85	14.2	0	16
1999	16	245	15.3	0	38
2000	19	366	19.3	3	71
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>17.0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>71</b>

### AGAINST THE TOP 25...

The Seminoles have been tough on Associated Press Top 25 teams since joining the ACC in 1992. Over that span, FSU is 40-10-1 against ranked foes. Against ACC teams that are ranked, Florida State has posted a 22-1 mark with the only loss coming at No. 24 Virginia, 33-28, in 1995. The Seminoles have won 19 of their last 21 regular season games against ranked teams.

# Brandon MYERS

## #35



**Linebacker**  
**5-11, 202**  
**Junior**  
**Tallahassee, FL**  
**(Lincoln)**

**At Florida State:** Heads into the fall behind Kendyll Pope and Allen Augustin at weakside linebacker...recorded two unassisted tackles during the spring game...walk-on who has seen a lot of playing time on special teams over the last two years...made the move from strong safety to weakside linebacker during spring drills last season...gained 25 pounds during the off-season in order to play the new position...adds depth to the Seminole linebacking unit that lost seniors Tommy Polley, Brian Allen and Jean Jeune.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** A mainstay on FSU special teams who was slowed by injuries during his sophomore season...a walk-on who has seen a lot of playing time on special teams over the last two years...totaled four tackles on the season.

**Freshman Year (1999):** A reserve at strong safety who played in all 12 games, mainly on special teams...saw action on kickoff coverage, kickoff return and punt block teams...finished the season with two total tackles...played in the 1999 national championship win over Virginia Tech in the Sugar Bowl.

**High School:** Played for three years at Bishop Dwenger (Indiana) and one year at Lincoln in Tallahassee...member of Class 4A state champion runner-up team as a junior at Bishop Dwenger...an all-state selection as a junior and was named all-conference following sophomore and junior seasons...an honorable mention All-Big Bend performer as a senior on state playoff team at Lincoln...played strong safety throughout high school career.

**Personal:** A social science major...father, Bryan, was a strong safety/punter for five years in the NFL (Colts, Redskins, Rams) after playing collegiately at Ball State...born October 2, 1979.

### MYERS' CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT	FC	FR
2000	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0

# Patrick NEWTON

## #30



**Defensive Back**  
5-9, 180  
**Junior**  
St. Petersburg, FL  
(Shorecrest)



**At Florida State:** Will compete for playing time in the defensive backfield in his third year in the program...expected to play a backup role to Abdul Howard and Claudius Osei at the rover position as fall practice begins...a former walk-on who joined the team during the fall of 1998 and earned a scholarship ...played in all 13 games including the National Championship game against Oklahoma during the 2000 season...earned the Bob Crenshaw Award at the team banquet which is selected by the coaching staff and given to the player showing the most heart during the season.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** Played in all 13 games including the National Championship game against Oklahoma...saw all of his action on the Seminoles' special teams...credited with 20 tackles in 11 regular season games including 16 unassisted stops ...earned Victor's Club honors following 10 of Florida State's 12 regular season games...had a season-high tying five total tackles against Maryland...recorded three unassisted stops against the Terps...named the ACC Special Teams Performer of the Week for his five-tackle outing against Maryland...closed the season with a season-high five unassisted tackle assists in victory over Florida...had two tackles in his first career game against Brigham Young in Jacksonville's Alltel Stadium...also caused a fumble in the Seminoles' victory over BYU.

**Sophomore Year (1999):** Was a member of the team but did not see any action.

**1998:** Sat out the season as a redshirt.

**High School:** Graduated from Shorecrest High School in 1998...earned all-district, all-county and all-conference first team honors as a senior...named team Most Valuable Player as a senior...an all-conference first team selection as

a junior.

**Personal:** Born March 1, 1980...majoring in business administration.

## NEWTON'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT	FC	FR
2000	16	4	20	0	0	0	0	0	0

# Claudius OSEI

## #27



**Rover**  
6-0, 190  
**Freshman**  
Tallahassee, FL  
(North Florida  
Christian)



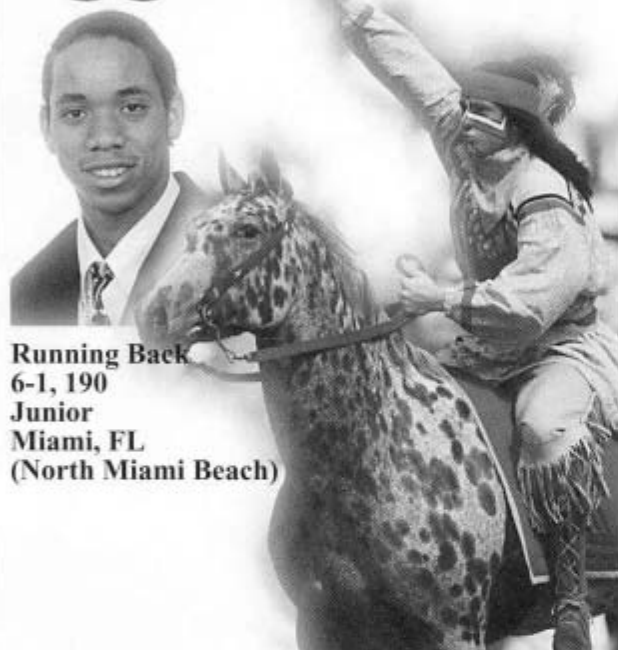
**At Florida State:** Will compete for playing time at the vacant rover position with Abdul Howard...impressed the coaching staff with his speed during his first full year as a member of the team...runs a 4.4 in the 40-yard dash...earned the defensive big hitter award along with fellow defensive back Yohance Buchanan at the conclusion of spring practice.

**2000:** Sat out the season as a redshirt.

**High School:** Graduated from North Florida Christian in 2000...a German exchange student who arrived in the United States in 1999...highly recruited as a defensive back and wide receiver...had 100 total tackles (77 unassisted), 22 tackles for minus yardage, four sacks, one interception (which he returned 21 yards for a touchdown) as a senior...three forced fumbles and one fumble recovery as a defensive back during his senior season...caught 10 passes for 267 yards and five touchdowns as a receiver during his senior season...helped lead his team to the Class 2A state title as a senior...selected Florida State over Georgia Tech and Tennessee.

**Personal:** Born June 20, 1980...majoring in education.

**Lemar  
Parrish  
#33**



**Running Back**  
6-1, 190  
Junior  
Miami, FL  
(North Miami Beach)

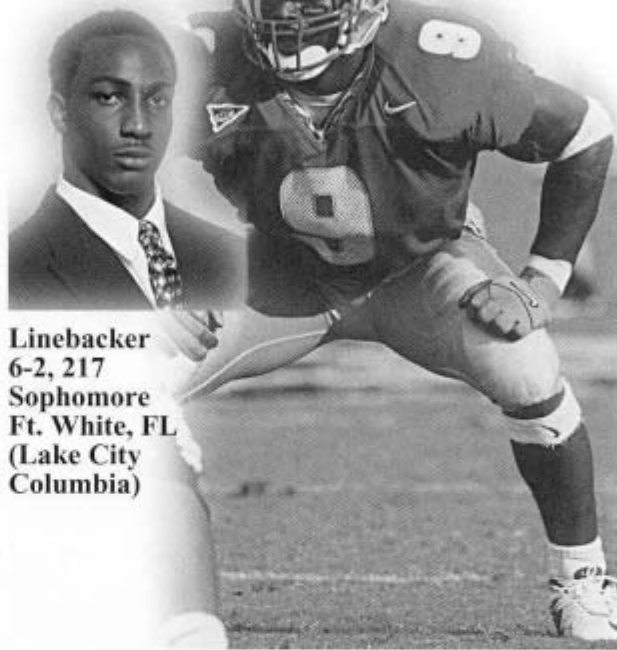
**At Florida State:** Originally came to Florida State as a walk-on but earned a scholarship prior to 1999 season...missed most of the last year with a knee injury suffered in the spring of 2000...missed spring drills with same injury...talented running back with speed to break away and size to get the tough yards in the middle.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** Missed the entire year with a persistent knee injury.

**High School:** Spent time at both receiver and running back his senior year...was a second-team all-state selection...Dade County Offensive Player of the Year as a senior and was second in the county in rushing...first player to rush for a career 1,000 yards in school history...broke the all-school rushing record his senior year with 1,326 yards, 200 carries and 24 touchdowns...those numbers also broke the season high record for North Miami Beach...also broke the game high record in rushing (340) and touchdowns (4)...participated in the Florida North vs. South game his senior year...his senior year, recorded the most rushing yards (165) and touchdowns (2) in a single game against rival Carol City in three years...played in various positions as a junior, including defensive end, receiver and running back...scored the lone defensive touchdown for North Miami Beach his junior year.

**Personal:** Born October 31, 1979...majoring in graphic arts.

**Kendyll  
POPE  
#9**



**Linebacker**  
6-2, 217  
Sophomore  
Ft. White, FL  
(Lake City  
Columbia)

**At Florida State:** Entered the spring as the starting linebacker on the weakside and solidified that role...enters the fall listed number one at weakside linebacker...appeared in every game last season...got better as the season progressed recording 33 of his 52 tackles in the last six games of the regular season...one of only two returning linebackers to record an interception last season.

**Freshman Year (2000):** Spent his true freshman season backing up Tommy Polley at weakside linebacker...proved a quick study as he picked up the FSU system and played a great deal in the regular rotation...also a standout on FSU special teams...the top non-starter in tackles with 52 on the season...had 20 unassisted and 32 assists on the year...had two tackles for loss and two passes broken up...also had an interception on the season...had eight tackles (four solo, four assists) against Virginia and four solo tackles and three assists against Clemson.

**High School:** Regarded by many as the best defensive player in the state of Florida and one of the top linebackers in the nation...a first-team *USA Today* All-American and *Parade* All-American...earned first-team Class 6A all-state honors... recognized as one of the top five players in Florida by Bill Buchalter...listed as the No. 14 prospect in Florida and No. 63 nationally by the *Tampa Tribune*...No. 32 prospect in the nation according to *The Sporting News*...the No. 5 linebacker in the country by *SuperPrep*...named to the Super 27 by the *Orlando Sentinel*...member of the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* Super Southern 100...ranked the No. 3 prospect in the state by the *Gainesville Sun*...rated as one of the Super 75 prospects in Florida by the *Florida Times-Union*...named to *PrepStar's* Dream Team and rated the No. 3 linebacker in the country...recorded 175 tackles, seven sacks and four caused fumbles as a senior...hails from the same high school as former Seminoles Brian Allen and All-

American Reinard Wilson...selected FSU over Florida, Alabama, Tennessee and Ohio State.

**Personal:** Will major in communications...born May 9, 1981.

**POPE'S CAREER STATS**

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT	FC	FR
2000	20	32	52	2	0	2	1	0	0

**Eric POWELL**

**#93**



**Defensive End**  
6-4, 270  
Senior  
Orlando, FL  
(SW Miss JC)



**At Florida State:** Moved from defensive tackle to defensive end this spring...will battle Kevin Emanuel for the starting position at left defensive end...enters the fall as second team right defensive end...had a standout performance in spring ball, collecting two unassisted tackles including two sacks for a loss of 13 yards in the spring game...ended spring practice by sharing the award of Most Improved Defensive Lineman with O.J. Jackson.

**Junior Year (2000):** Played in 11 games...recorded 21 total tackles and six unassisted tackles...individual game-high tackles against Georgia Tech (4)...registered a sack and three tackles in win over Duke...had four quarterback hurries on the season including two against Clemson.

**Junior College:** One of the most sought after junior college players in America...a strong interior defensive lineman...a first-team junior college All-American by Rivals100.com...a PrepStar Super Juco Top 75 selection...SuperPrep's No. 63 junior college prospect...rated as the No. 1 junior college defensive end by ESPN Magazine...ranked No. 4 on the Clarion Legend's list of the nation's Top 25 Juco players.

**High School:** Went to Orlando Jones High School with current Seminole Chris Woods...a two-year starter...earned Class 4A all-state and all-district honors following senior season...named the Orlando Sentinel Player of the Week six times...

recorded 115 tackles and 12 sacks in senior season...also played baseball for three years.

**Personal:** Social science major...born November 16, 1979.

**POWELL'S CAREER STATS**

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FR	INT
2000	6	15	21	1	1	0	0	0	0

**Chris RIX**

**#15**



**Quarterback**  
6-4, 205  
Freshman  
Santa Margarita, CA  
(Rancho)



**At Florida State:** Enters the fall of his redshirt freshman year as the man to beat at quarterback for the Seminoles...battled Anquan Boldin throughout the spring and emerged as the No. 1 quarterback on the depth chart, but will be pushed by Boldin again in the fall...either player will have the tough task of following Heisman Trophy winner Chris Weinke, who was the first three-year starter under Bobby Bowden at FSU...Rix or Boldin will be the most inexperienced starting quarterback that Bowden has had on opening day during his 25 years at Florida State...comes off an excellent spring where he made great progress...led Gold team to a 20-7 win in 2001 spring game...excellent arm strength and great speed make him a tough player to defend...adjusted quickly to new quarterback coach Daryl Dickey and his style...one of the top quarterback prospects in the country as a high school senior...recruited by over 50 Div. 1A schools...threw for over 4000 yards, 30 touchdowns and ran for over 1300 yards in high school...wore #16 in high school and will wear the number at FSU.

**As a Redshirt Freshman:** Redshirted along with most of his class, but impressed coaches with his dedication in the film room as a rookie...earned Scout Team Offensive MVP honors in spring...did not play baseball at FSU as freshman to concentrate on spring football.

**High School:** Extremely talented player who starred at

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quarterback and receiver at Rancho High...threw for nearly 1,000 yards and rushed for over 550 and six touchdowns in his senior season alone...played two games as a receiver due to a depleted receiving corps and his yards per catch average led Orange Country (28.8/ 10 catches for 288 yards)... was recognized as a second team All-Serra League at wide receiver...named to *PrepStar's* 1999 Top 100 (No. 7 quarterback) Dream Team and rated the No. 15 prospect in the Western Region by the same publication...earned honorable mention All-USA honors from *USA Today*...listed as the No. 5 quarterback prospect in the nation by *Rivals100.com*...Blue Chip ranking by Street & Smith, Tom Lemming, Gridiron Classic, Border Wars and CouchScout...named the MVP of the Nike Combine at USC in 1999...participated in the "Elite 11" QB clinic along with other national level QB prospects and was considered to have the strongest arm in the group...starting QB for in first-ever CaliFlorida Bowl, defeating Florida 21-11 in the Rose Bowl...threw a football over 70 yards at one of Florida State's summer camps...clocked in at 4.46 in the 40...one of three preseason All-Americans to ever come out of Rancho Santa Margarita (Carson Palmer, 1997, USC) and (Sean O'Brien, 1992, Arizona)...turned down Major League Baseball offers to sign before June 2000 in order to report to FSU in August.

**Personal:** Born May 1, 1981...will declare his major following sophomore season...completed first year Army ROTC as a freshman...football representative on FSU's student-athlete advisory council.

# Stanford SAMUELS

## #10



**Cornerback**  
5-10, 180  
Sophomore  
Miami, FL  
(Carol City)



**At Florida State:** Enters preseason practice as the starter at the right cornerback position...displayed his abilities to the coaching staff with a strong performance in the National Championship game against Oklahoma when he unexpectedly had to

play the final three quarters of the game after consensus All-American and four-year starter Tay Cody was injured late in the first quarter...played in 12 of the Seminoles' 13 games in 2000 after rebounding from a season-ending knee injury during preseason practice in 1999...earned the most improved defense back award this spring.

**Freshman Year (2000):** Gained valuable experience as the backup to consensus All-American Tay Cody at right cornerback and earned playing time on special teams...also played in Florida State's nickel package...played in 12 of the Seminoles' 13 games including the National Championship game against Oklahoma... missed only the season-opening victory over Brigham Young with a hamstring strain...totaled 23 tackles (19 unassisted and four assisted) and ranked sixth among defensive backs...had a career-high five tackles against Florida in the regular season finale...recorded three total tackles each in four consecutive games against North Carolina, Louisville, Maryland and Miami...among the team leaders in pass deflections with three...had one pass deflection each against Georgia Tech, Louisville and NC State...first career blocked kick came against NC State...blocked a punt attempt by the Wolfpacks' Austin Herbert...earned Victor's Club honors during three of the final four weeks of the season.

**1999:** Sat out the season as a redshirt.

**High School:** Graduated from Carol City High School in 1999...an all-state Class 6A first-team selection following his senior season...a three-year starter on one of Florida's top programs... recorded 31 tackles, five interceptions and blocked three punts despite missing six games of his senior season with a separated shoulder...led Carol City to its second consecutive 6A state championship and a 15-0 record as a senior...a member of the *PrepStar* Dream Team and rated by that publication as the No. 8 defensive back prospect in the nation...rated as the No. 2 defensive back in the Southeast by *PrepStar*...selected to the *Orlando Sentinel* Super Senior team...rated the No. 8 recruit in the state of Florida by the *St. Petersburg Times*...a member of the *Florida Times Union* Super 75...the *National Recruiting Advisor* rated him as the seventh best cornerback in the Southeast...participated in the Florida-Georgia All-Star game...selected Florida State over Georgia Tech, Miami and Northwestern.

**Personal:** Born July 27, 1980...major is business administration...graduated from the same high school as current Seminoles O.J. Jackson and Bradley Jennings.

### SAMUELS' CAREER STATS

YEAR	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FR	INT	BK
2000	19	4	23	0	0	3	0	0	0	1





# Brian SAWYER

## #89



**Deep Snapper**  
6-2, 245  
Sophomore  
Cordell, GA  
(Crisp Co.)



**At Florida State:** Comes off an excellent rookie season as the snapper for all FSU special teams and appears to have the position locked down for the fall...entered 2000 with a great deal of pressure as he was replacing a four-year starter (Clay Ingram) at the position...very strong delivery and very reliable...played in every game last season...good athlete who gets down the field and managed four tackles on the season including two unassisted.

**Freshman Year (2000):** Played in all 13 games...served as the snapper for all FSU special teams.

**1999:** Redshirted after walking on to the squad.

**High School:** Lettered four years at Crisp County...played tight end and defensive end...earned first team Class 3A all state honors as a senior after garnering second team honors as a junior...was a two-time all-Middle Georgia selection...named an all-region selection his final two seasons...also lettered four years in basketball, and one year in both baseball and golf...graduated in the Top 10 percent of his class with a 3.5 GPA.

**Personal:** Born May 7, 1981...is majoring in biological sciences.

# Leroy SMITH

## #32



**Cornerback**  
5-10, 175  
Freshman  
Quincy, FL  
(Shanks)



**At Florida State:** Will compete for playing time at left cornerback and on special teams when fall practice begins...enjoyed a fine spring as he gained a great deal of work at the left cornerback position behind Malcolm Tatum and Bryant McFadden... runs a 4.4 in the 40-yard dash.

**2000:** Sat out the season as a redshirt along with most of his recruiting class.

**High School:** Graduated from Shanks High School in nearby Quincy in 2000...an All-Big-Bend first-team selection in 1999...Shanks' career record-holder for interceptions with 16...had 71 tackles and five interceptions as a senior...a great open-field tackler who excels at bump-and-run coverage... also played wide receiver in high school and was a three-time state championship meet qualifier in the in the 400-meter run...played at the same high school as former Seminole and current Tampa Bay Buccaneer Dexter Jackson and current Seminole safety Abdul Howard...selected Florida State over Notre Dame, Georgia, NC State and Clemson.

**Personal:** Born Dec. 26, 1981...will declare a major following his sophomore year.

# Malcolm TATUM

## #3



**Cornerback**  
6-1, 170  
Junior  
Miami, FL  
(Killian)



**At Florida State:** Enters his junior season as the starter at left cornerback after a strong spring...earned extensive playing time in the Seminoles' National Championship game against Oklahoma...game action came in the final three quarters of the Orange Bowl as he rotated with Stanford Samuels in the Seminoles' nickel and dime packages...helped limit Oklahoma and Heisman Trophy runner-up Josh Heupel to 112 yards passing in the final three quarters of the game...recorded four total tackles in the Garnet and Gold game at the conclusion of spring practice...probably would have seen considerable playing time last year, but a stress fracture in his lower back cost him most of the year.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** Played in six games including the National Championship game against Oklahoma...saw action in the National Championship game when consensus All-America cornerback Tay Cody was taken to the hospital after the first quarter...recorded three tackles against the Sooners...saw action in the Seminoles' first two games against Brigham Young and Georgia Tech before a lower back injury kept him out of the North Carolina, Louisville, Maryland and Miami games...returned to play in Florida State's victory over Duke at home...also missed the Seminoles' games against Virginia, NC State and Clemson...credited with two tackles for the season...one of tackles in the season opener against BYU was a sack minus 10 yards...was his first career sack and first tackle for minus yardage...an exceptional special teams player...closed the regular season by earning playing time in the Wake Forest and Florida games.

**Freshman Year (1999):** A key performer on special teams...played in all 13 games as a backup at both cornerback positions...recorded two tackles on punt coverage during the

Seminoles' Sugar Bowl victory over Virginia Tech...blocked a punt in the 49-10 victory over Maryland...his blocked punt was one of four blocked punts for the special teams unit during the season...recorded seven tackles during the season including three stops against Maryland...also recorded two unassisted tackles in the season opener against Louisiana Tech...was the outside cover man in the punt coverage team, splitting time with Reggie Durden and Chris Hope.

**1998:** Reshirted along with most of his recruiting class.

**High School:** Graduated from Killian High School in 1998...burst onto the Florida high school recruiting scene late during his senior year...named the state's top cornerback prospect by the *Florida Times-Union*...also a great punt returner...an All-Dade first-team selection as a senior...an all-state Class 6A third-team selection following his senior season...the No. 27 rated player in Florida according to the *St. Petersburg Times*...an All-Southeast selection by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...played in the Florida-Georgia All-Star game...chose Florida State over Florida and Miami.

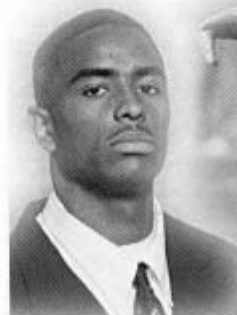
**Personal:** Born March 12, 1979...social science major...joins a long line of Dade County defensive backs to sign with the Seminoles (most recently James Colzie, Samari Rolle, Shevin Smith, Stanford Samuels)...prep teammate of former Seminole defensive back and first round NFL draft pick Derrick Gibson.

### TATUM'S CAREER STATS

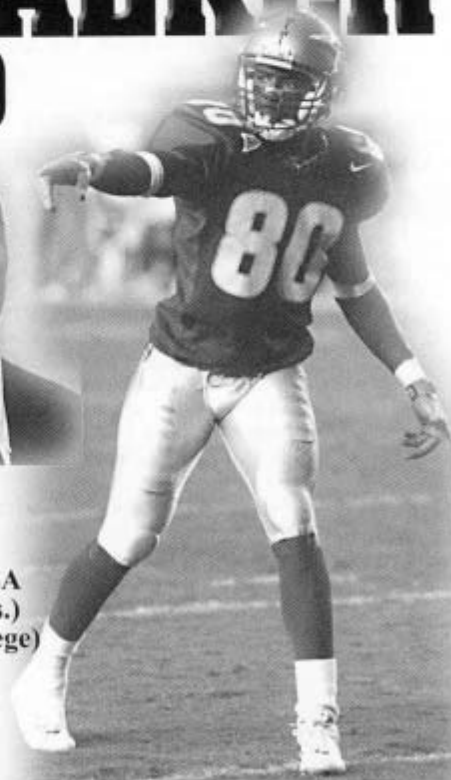
YEAR	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT	FC	FR
1999	7	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
2000	2	0	2	1	1	1	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

# Javon WALKER

## #80



**Split End**  
6-3, 190  
Senior  
Lafayette, LA  
(Jones (Miss.)  
Junior College)



**At Florida State:** Will see considerable playing time at several wide receiver positions...enters preseason practice listed behind All-ACC candidate Robert Morgan at the split end position...should also earn playing time at the flanker position in the Seminoles' two wide receiver sets...was slated for a lot of playing time last year, but an injured ankle suffered against Georgia Tech cost him four games in the middle of the season.

**Junior Year (2000):** Recorded 20 catches for 313 yards and three touchdowns...ranked fifth on the team with 20 catches and fourth with a 34.8 yards per game average...his three touchdown receptions tied for fourth and his 313 receiving yards were fifth among the Seminoles' wide receivers...played in 10 games including the national championship game against Oklahoma...had a career-high eight catches for 70 yards and one touchdown in his first career Division I game against Brigham Young in the Kickoff Classic...first career catch was a 19-yard touchdown reception from Heisman Trophy winner Chris Weinke in the first quarter against the Cougars...had a career-high 109 yards on six receptions in the victory over Clemson...his 109 receiving yards allowed the Seminoles to gain 521 passing yards against the Tigers, the second highest single-game total in school history...caught nine passes for 133 yards and one touchdown in the first two games of the season but suffered an ankle injury against Georgia Tech and was forced to miss the next three games...caught one pass for 63 yards and a touchdown against the Yellow Jackets...caught three passes for 55 yards in the Duke game...had one catch for 10 yards and a touchdown against NC State...six yards on one catch against Florida.

**Sophomore Year (1999):** Played at Jones (Miss.) Junior College...earned All-America honors...considered to be the top junior college receiver in the nation as a sophomore...had 61 receptions for 906 yards and seven touchdowns...led the team in receptions, yards and yards per reception with a 14.9 average...listed as the No. 5 junior college prospect by SuperPrep.

**Freshman Year (1998):** Played at Jones (Miss.) Junior College...led the Bobcats to a perfect 12-0 record and the junior college national championship...caught 37 passes for 735 yards and eight touchdowns...averaged 19.9 yards per reception...played in all 12 games during the teams' national championship run.

**1997 Baseball:** Drafted by the Florida Marlins in the eighth round of the Major League Baseball free agent draft...spent one full season and two summers in the organization...was elevated as high as AA with Portland (Maine) of the Eastern League.

**High School:** Graduated from St. Thomas More High School in 1997...a *USA Today* All-USA honorable mention selection as a running back during his senior season...an all-state first-team selection and Class 5A Player of the Year his senior season...rushed for 1,900 yards and 29 touchdowns...also recorded 300 receiving yards and caught four touchdown passes...ran back two kickoffs and one punt for touchdowns...an All-American performer in track...rated No. 2 in the nation and finished second at the state championship in the triple jump...also finished second in the state championships in the long jump...

**Personal:** Born Oct. 14, 1978...major is social science.

## FSU IN THE WEEKLY AP POLL...

The Seminoles have been ranked in every AP poll since the fifth week of the 1989 season — a span of 197 consecutive polls. Of the last 167 polls (11/12/90), the Seminoles have been out of the AP Top 10 just twice. Additionally, FSU has been at No. 1 for a total of 58 weeks.

# B.J. WARD

## #24



**Defensive Back**  
6-3, 205  
Freshman  
Dallas, TX  
(Kimball)



**At Florida State:** Begins fall practice behind preseason All-American Chris Hope on the depth chart at free safety...will earn the chance to compete for playing time at the free safety position...sustained a shoulder injury during fall practice in 2000 and missed the entire season...underwent shoulder surgery following the National Championship game and was limited during spring drills...had additional surgery on the shoulder following spring practice...enrolled at Florida State for the spring 2000 semester...has been at Florida State for two spring practices and one fall practice session.

**1999:** Redshirted along with most of his recruiting class.

**High School:** Graduated from Kimball High School in December of 2000...a hard-hitting safety who developed into one of the top prep players in the state of Texas...named to *PrepStar's* Big 12 region Super 30...the No. 3 rated defensive back prospect in the Big 12 region by *PrepStar*...named to Bill Buchalter's All-Southern team...recorded 72 tackles and three interceptions as a senior...returned all three interceptions for touchdowns...intercepted six passes as a junior...ran the 40-yard dash in 4.4 seconds...also earned varsity letters in basketball and track and field...is the brother of former Miami Hurricane defensive back, Nick Ward...was heavily recruited by nearly every school in the nation, and selected Florida State over Nebraska, Ohio State, Notre Dame and Michigan.

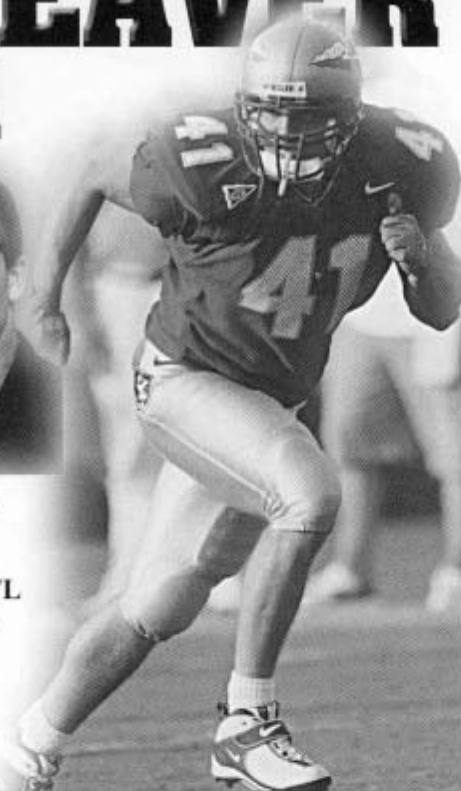
**Personal:** Born Nov. 4, 1981...major is criminology.

# Lee WEAVER

#41



**Linebacker**  
6-2, 216  
Junior  
Live Oak, FL  
(Suwannee)



**At Florida State:** Listed at third team strongside linebacker behind Michael Boulware and newcomer Ray Piquion...missed spring drills after a knee injury suffered late last season...coaches like his tenacity and toughness...should provide valuable depth at the position...has been a mainstay on special teams during his first two seasons at FSU...comes from an outstanding high school program.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** Saw the majority of his playing time on special teams and finished with three tackles...was one of the top performers on the kickoff team.

**Freshman Year (1999):** Appeared in seven games and finished the year with three tackles...majority of his playing time came on kickoff and punt coverage units...had two tackles in the season-opening win over Louisiana Tech and one at Virginia.

**Freshman Year (1998):** Sat out the season as a redshirt.

**High School:** Earned first team all-area honors from the Gainesville Sun after his senior season at Suwanee High School in Live Oak...made 113 tackles that year as he led his team to the state playoffs...played at the same high school program as former Florida State players Matt Frier, Eric Smith and Todd Frier.

**Personal:** A library and administration major...born April 11, 1980.

## WEAVER'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT	FC	FR
2000	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	0
1999	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

# Brett WILLIAMS

#72



**Offensive Tackle**  
6-6, 317  
Junior  
Kissimmee, FL  
(Osceola)



**At Florida State:** An All-America candidate at split tackle where he has started 15 games over his young career...took over the position after earning All-ACC and freshman All-American honors in his first two seasons...earned second team All-ACC honors last year although a preseason ankle injury hampered him throughout the early part of the season...proved to be among the Seminoles' steadiest players throughout the 2000 season...among the team leaders in pancake blocks...his brother Blake signed with Florida State in February and will be a freshman offensive lineman in 2001.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** A key member of the nation's leading offense in 2000 and a starter in his second straight National Championship game...earned second team All-ACC honors...began the season as the starter, but an ankle injury in preseason held him back over the first part of the season...started the final five games of the regular season...very physical player with exceptional technique...as good as any sophomore FSU has ever had on the offensive front...best outing came against NC State when he accumulated five intimidation blocks...had four intimidations against Clemson and three each against Brigham Young, Virginia and Clemson as a starter...graded out at a team best 92 percent against Maryland...had the highest vertical jump (34.0) among the linemen in spring testing.

**Freshman Year (1999):** Answered the bell when two-year starter Ross Brannon was lost for the year with a knee injury...started the last seven games of the season at split tackle and earned second team All-ACC honors...improved dramatically over the season and was credited with keeping Florida's highly touted defensive end Alex Brown out of the FSU backfield virtually all game...mature player who exceeded coaches expectations of a first year starter...benefited from pre-bowl practices

as his ascension to the starting position was during the middle of the season.

**1998:** Redshirted along with most of his class.

**High School:** One of the nation's top offensive line prospects after his senior campaign at Osceola High in Kissimmee...the No. 1 guard prospect in the country according to *SuperPrep*...named to the first-team *USA Today* All-USA squad...a *Parade* All-America selection...rated among the top two guards in the country by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...a *Prep Star* Dream Team preseason selection...regarded as the No. 3 offensive lineman nationally by Tom Lemming...a Forrest David All-South first teamer...an *Orlando Sentinel* All-Southern pick...the *Tampa Tribune's* No. 20-rated national recruit (No. 4-rated offensive lineman) and state's No. 3 prospect...also tabbed as the No. 3 overall state prospect by the *St. Pete Times*...named to the *Times-Union's* Super 75 team...a member of the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* Super Southern 100 team...graded out at 91 percent for the season as senior and totaled 51 pancakes...has great quickness and upper body strength (4.9 in the 40, 370-pound bench press)...won state titles in the discus as a sophomore and both the discus and shot put as a junior while also lettering in weightlifting...owns personal best of 177' in the discus and 60'4" in the shot...selected FSU over Florida and Alabama.

**Personal:** Born May 2, 1980...a sports management major...brother Blake will be a freshman offensive lineman on the team this year.

# Todd WILLIAMS

## #79



**Offensive Tackle**  
6-6, 315  
Junior  
Bradenton, FL  
(Southeast)

**At Florida State:** Starts his junior year listed as first string tight tackle...most dominant offensive player of the spring...coaches were extremely pleased with his performance in the spring and could be one of the real surprises on this year's

team...will still be pushed by freshman Ray Willis for playing time...was moved to split tackle from split guard in 2000 when injuries cut down the depth at the position...earned playing time in all 13 games last season.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** Began his sophomore campaign as backup to senior Justin Amman at split guard...moved into a backup spot to Brett Williams at the split tackle position following the injury to Tarlos Thomas...earned playing time in all 12 games during the regular season and saw action in the Orange Bowl...played well in the season opener against Brigham Young with three intimidation blocks...also earned three intimidation blocks against Duke, Virginia, NC State and Wake Forest.

**Freshman Year (1999):** Saw sporadic playing time at offensive tackle all season...coaches worked him in when they had a chance and he showed he had the strength to hold his own.

**1998:** Redshirted along with most of his class.

**High School:** One of the state's top offensive line prospects after his senior season at Southeast High in Bradenton...tabbed as the No. 5 offensive tackle in the state by the *Florida Times-Union*...rated as the No. 27 state prospect by the *Tampa Tribune*...named one of the top seven offensive tackles in the Southeast by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...and *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* Super Southern 100 pick...graded out at 85 percent with 24 pancakes during senior season...named to the Class 6A all-state second team...chose FSU over South Carolina, Southern Mississippi and Michigan State.

**Personal:** Majoring in social science...born September 4, 1978...attended the same high school as former Seminole All-American receiver Peter Warrick.

# Ray WILLIS

## #77



**Offensive Tackle**  
6-6, 288  
Freshman  
Angelton, TX  
(Angelton)

**At Florida State:** Begins the 2001 season second on the depth chart behind Todd Williams at tight tackle...redshirted in

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the fall, along with most of his signing class...used the fall and spring practices to learn the FSU system.

**2000:** Redshirted along with most of his class.

**High School:** Another highly-recruited offensive lineman out of the state of Texas...an intense player with quick feet for an offensive lineman...high school team ran a west coast style offense...an All-District selection as a senior...an honorable mention Class 5A all-state selection...*SuperPrep's* No. 28 offensive lineman and No. 36 prospect in Texas...listed as the No. 34 offensive lineman by *Rivals100.com*...a Midlands Region honorable mention selection by *PrepStar*...high school coaches clocked him at 4.95 in the 40 with a bench press of 350-pounds...has been compared in Texas to former NFL lineman Terry Tausch who played at UT...chose FSU over Texas A&M, Purdue, Tulane, Arkansas and Oklahoma.

**Personal:** Born August 13, 1982...plans to major in engineering.

# Jeff WOMBLE

## #91



**Noseguard**  
6-3, 280  
Sophomore  
Dunwoody, GA  
(Dunwoody)



**At Florida State:** Enters his sophomore season as one of two returning starters on the defensive line joining Darnell Dockett... earned a starting role in his freshman year and helped the 2000 defense to its standing as the second ranked rushing defense in the nation, as well as the top ranked defense in the ACC...has three career sacks at the noseguard position...tallied two unassisted tackles and one defensive stop for no gain in the 2001 spring game.

**Freshman Year (2000):** Started 11 straight games at noseguard for the Seminoles in his freshman year...earned Victor's Club honors against UNC, Louisville and Florida...was fourth on the team in tackles for loss with 10...tied for fifth in sacks (3), tied for third in forced fumbles (2) and ranked fourth in quarterback hurries (10)...totaled 49 tackles during the regu-

lar season including 23 unassisted tackles...had an individual best six tackles against Georgia Tech and Virginia...tallied sacks against Georgia Tech, North Carolina and Virginia.

**1999:** Redshirted along with most of his class.

**High School:** Came to Florida State as one of the top defensive tackle prospects in the nation...a second-team *USA Today* All-American...earned first-team Class 4A all-state honors as a senior ...the No. 4-ranked defensive lineman in the country and the No. 29 prospect overall by *SuperPrep*...rated the No. 44 prospect in the country by the *National Recruiting Advisor* and Tom Lemming ...listed at No. 29 in the country by the *Tampa Tribune*...recorded 69 tackles (40 solo), 15 tackles for loss, five caused fumbles and tallied 18 quarterback hurries this season...selected FSU over Tennessee, Georgia and Florida.

**Personal:** Majoring in biology...born February 13, 1981.

### WOMBLE'S CAREER STATS

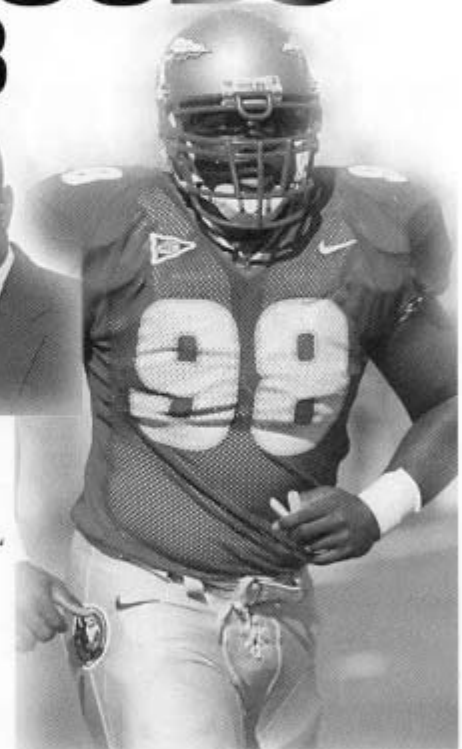
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2000	23	26	49	10	3	0	0	2	0

# Chris WOODS

## #98



**Noseguard**  
6-3, 278  
Junior  
Orlando, FL  
(Jones)



**At Florida State:** Will battle returning starter Jeff Womble and Tony Benford for time at the noseguard position...has one career start, which came in the Seminoles' opening game against BYU in 2000...had a successful performance coming off the bench in the Seminoles' back-to-back national championship games...earned Most Improved Defensive Lineman honors in 2000 spring ball.

**Sophomore Year (2000):** Slowed by an ankle injury throughout his sophomore year...started the season-opener against BYU in Jacksonville and appeared in a total of seven games all season...had his best game of the season against BYU...registered four tackles,

one tackle for loss and two quarterback hurries against the Cougars...totaled 10 tackles, five unassisted, for the season...the defense's King of the Boards winner during the spring.

**Freshman Year (1999):** Played in 11 games and recorded 27 tackles and one tackle for loss...his 27 tackles ranked fourth among returning down linemen...had his best game against Duke when he recorded four total tackles and one tackle for loss...also recorded four tackles against Georgia Tech, North Carolina and Florida...garnered three tackles vs. Maryland and Louisiana Tech...recorded a third-down stop in Virginia game...also saw time on special teams and had a block on return vs. North Carolina...was impressive coming off the bench against Virginia Tech in the Sugar Bowl.

**1998:** Redshirted along with most of his recruiting class.

**High School:** The Orange County Defensive Player of the Year after a dominating senior season at Jones High...recorded 128 tackles and six sacks during his final season...also forced six fumbles and recovered five despite nursing a fractured foot...broke his foot in the first game of the year but waited to have surgery until after the year...versatile performer in the prep ranks who played inside and outside linebacker, noseguard, tight end, fullback and deep snapper at Jones...led his team to the state playoffs all three of his years as a starter...All-Central Florida pick by the *Orlando Sentinel*...second team state Class 4A selection...finished as the state runner-up in the discus as a sophomore and junior...selected Florida State over Alabama, Tennessee, Florida and Georgia.

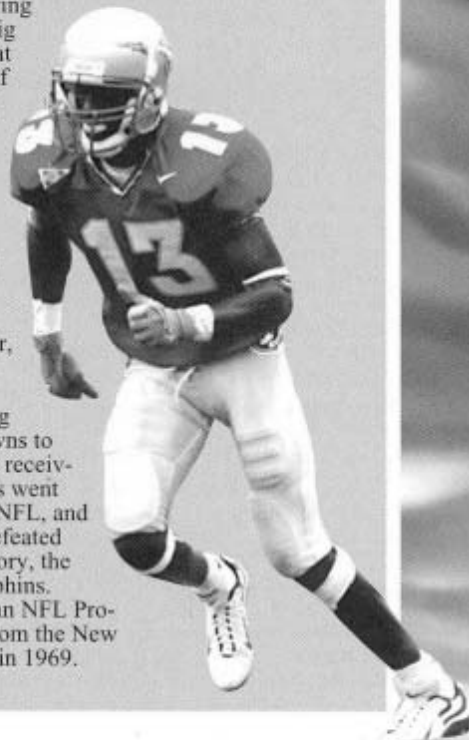
**Personal:** Born January 11, 1980...majoring in social science.

### WOODS' CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT
1999	8	19	27	1	1	0	0
2000	5	5	10	1	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## BIG SHOES TO FILL...

FSU's receiving corps will have big shoes to fill in that Kansas City Chief draft pick Snoop Minnis led the nation with 1,340 receiving yards last year. Before Minnis, the only other Seminole to lead the country was Ron Sellers in 1968. As a senior, Sellers had 86 receptions and 1,496 yards, along with 12 touchdowns to lead the nation in receiving yards. Sellers went on to play in the NFL, and play for the undefeated team in NFL history, the 1972 Miami Dolphins. Sellers was also an NFL Pro-Bowl selection from the New England Patriots in 1969.



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## XAVIER BEITIA

5-10, 180, PLACEKICKER  
TAMPA, FL (JESUIT)

One of the top kickers, if not the best, in the state of Florida...perfect on nine attempts inside of 50 yards and went 31 for 32 on extra point attempts as a senior at Tampa's Jesuit High...listed on Max Emfingers' Top 100 recruits...also listed on *Atlanta Journal Constitution's* Super Southern 100.

## ERIC BROE

6-6, 290, OFFENSIVE LINE  
NORCROSS, GA (WESLEYAN)

Named first-team Class A all-state as a senior at Wesleyan...played offensive tackle in high school...one of the biggest offensive linemen in Georgia...given a four-star rating and a No. 12 rank of all prep offensive linemen by rivals100.com...named to Max Emfingers' Nifty 150, a listing of the top 150 prospects in the country...selected to BorderWars.com list of Top 100 players...member of *Atlanta Constitution's* Super Southern 100...coach Will Jackson timed him at a 4.9, 40 yard dash...bench presses 300 pounds and squats 600 pounds...played offense and defense in high school...started at right tackle in the National All-Star game in Dallas, Texas.

## MILFORD BROWN

6-3, 315, OFFENSIVE LINE  
MONTGOMERY, AL (EAST MISSISSIPPI JC)

Regarded as one of the top junior college lineman in the nation...projected to play center or guard...enrolled at Florida State in the spring...chose FSU over Tennessee, Georgia, LSU, Auburn and Mississippi State.

## JAMES BUCHANAN

6-2, 235, RB  
SARASOTA, FL (CARDINAL MOONEY)

Florida's top pure fullback prospect and rated by some as the top prospect at the position in the nation...listed on Max Emfingers' Top 100 and on the *Florida Times Union* Super 75...ESPN's Tom Lemming listed him as nation's top fullback prospect...also ranked No. 1 fullback in the country by Rivals.com, Florida Prep, Schoolsports.com, Foxstudentsports.com and Lone Star recruiting.com...ranked among the 150 players in the country by Bill Hodges on Fansonly.com and listed among the top 100 by *Orlando Sentinel*...*St. Petersburg Times* listed him among Top 35 prospects in the state...*SuperPrep* ranked him fourth among fullbacks throughout the country...honorable mention all-state selection as a

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senior...selected to play in National All-Star game in Texas...carried the ball 115 times for 695 yards and six scores as a senior at Cardinal Mooney...also caught three passes for 45 yards and one TD...rushed for over 1,700 yards and 26 touchdowns over his career...chose FSU over Florida, Texas, Miami, North Carolina, NC State, Duke and Boston College.

### **DONNIE CARTER**

**6-4, 240, DEFENSIVE LINE  
WAYCROSS, GA (WARE CO.)**

Part of an impressive incoming class of defensive linemen...ranked 14th on Tom Lemming's Top-25 defensive linemen from *Prep Football Report*...totaled 79 tackles, 10 sacks, six knockdowns and 10 caused fumbles on his way to earning All-South Georgia honors in his senior year...standout athlete who is also a power forward in basketball...given a three-star rating in BorderWars.com's recruiting profiles...recorded 50 tackles and three sacks as a junior...decided on FSU after attending the Clemson-FSU game.

### **JEROME CARTER**

**6-0, 208, DEFENSIVE BACK  
LAKE CITY, FL (COLUMBIA)**

One of the top players in the nation and one of the top prospects in the state of Florida...a two-time first team all-state selection...recorded 77 tackles (50 solo) on defense as a senior...rushed for 811 yards on 83 carries (9.9 yards per carry) and scored 11 touchdowns...also caught 29 passes for 601 yards and seven touchdowns during senior year at Columbia...had 119 tackles while rushing for 777 yards and 12 touchdowns as a junior...tops the *Gainesville Sun's* list of the state's best players...named one of the 25 best players in the country by Max Emfinger who also included him on his national Nifty 150 list...BorderWars.com named him the third best safety prospect in the nation...named to *Florida Times Union Super 75* and *Atlanta Constitution Super Southern 100*...named one of Rivals.com Top 100...voted Class 5A District Player of the Year by the Florida Association of Coaches...bench presses over 300 pounds.

### **MARCELLO CHURCH**

**6-1, 190, LINEBACKER  
ST. PETERSBURG, FL (LAKEWOOD)**

Regarded as one of the top linebackers in the state...member of Max Emfinger's Top 100...had an impressive senior season at Lakewood High in St. Petersburg...also played running back and rushed for 1,089 yards as a senior.

### **CHAUNCEY DAVIS**

**6-1, 235, LINEBACKER  
AUBURNDALE, FL (AUBURNDALE)**

First team all-state Class 4A selection...listed among Max Emfinger's Top 100 players...first team All-American on Rivals.com team...listed among the top 20 national prospects by Rivals...member of *Florida Times Union Super 75* and *Atlanta Journal Constitution's Super Southern 100*...great athlete with a 41-inch vertical jump...played in national all-star game in Dallas...also played in this summer's CaliFlorida Bowl...rushed for nearly 1,000 yards as a senior.

### **B.J. DEAN**

**5-11, 235, LINEBACKER  
TUSCALOOSA, AL (CENTRAL)**

As a junior, made 76 solo tackles and 56 assisted tackles...made 200 tackles as a senior at Central High School...earned all-state accolades following his junior year...reported to have a 400-pound bench press...given a two-star rating by rivals100.com...chose FSU over LSU and Mississippi State.

### **KYLER HALL**

**6-1, 183, DEFENSIVE BACK  
LIVE OAK, FL (SUWANEE)**

Florida Class 3A Player of the Year...first team Class 3A all-state selection...named to *Florida Times Union Super 75*...completed 127 of 208 passes for 1,733 yards and 14 TDs as a quarterback...also rushed for 169 yards and four touchdowns...credited with 95 tackles (51 solo), four tackles for loss, four interceptions and two fumble recoveries at safety...also an honor student.

### **MATT HEINZ**

**6-5, 260, OFFENSIVE LINE  
TALLAHASSEE, FL (N. FLA. CHRISTIAN)**

First team Class A all-state selection...named to Max Emfinger's Top 100 prospects in the state of Florida...listed on *Florida Times Union's Super 75*...*Atlanta Journal and Constitution* ranked him on the Super Southern 100...graded out at 93 percent during senior season...can bench press 370 pounds and runs a 4.7...helped lead NFC to three consecutive state titles...chose FSU over Florida.

### **ANDREW HENRY-KENNON**

**6-4, 285, OFFENSIVE LINE  
TALLAHASSEE, FL (LINCOLN)**

Top offensive line prospect who graded out at 82 percent with 34 "roach blocks" and 32 "decleaters" as a senior at Lincoln...named one of the top 150 players in the nation on Max Emfinger's Nifty 150...listed on Emfinger's Top 100 for the state of Florida...also listed on BorderWars.com Top 100 rankings...member of *Florida Times Union Super 75* and the *Atlanta Journal and Constitution's* Southern Super 100...third team Class 6A all-state selection.

### **MATT HENSHAW**

**6-4, 208, QUARTERBACK  
BRENTWOOD, TN (BRENTWOOD)**

Completed 169 of 269 passes (57%) for 2,173 yards and 15 touchdowns in his senior season under head coach Jack Daniels...passed for over 2,300 yards and 19 touchdowns as a junior...named second-team Class 5A all-state...father (George Henshaw) was an FSU assistant coach from 1976-1982 and has coached with several NFL teams...currently a member of the Tennessee Titans coaching staff...timed at 4.65 in the 40-yard dash at three camps last summer (FSU, Alabama and Tennessee)...picked FSU over ACC rival Clemson.

### **PAUL IRONS**

**6-2, 240, RUNNINGBACK  
NEW ORLEANS, LA (ST. AUGUSTINE)**

Played guard in high school but recruited by Florida State as a fullback...runs a 4.8 40-yd dash and bench presses 300 pounds...tremendous potential as a pounding fullback...selected Florida State over Louisiana State, Mississippi and Tulane...comes from same high school as defensive end Roland Seymour, who graduated last year.

### **WILLIE JONES, JR.**

**6-1, 200, LINEBACKER  
MIAMI, FL (CAROL CITY)**

One of the top linebacker prospects in the country...set a state record with 32 quarterback sacks this season...credited with 168 tackles and eight fumble recoveries from his outside linebacker spot...already bench presses over 335 pounds...Max Emfinger lists him among this nifty 150 as one of the top players in the country...*SuperPrep* places him among the Top 15 overall prospects in the country...also made Emfinger's Top 25 pros-



pects list...made Rivals' list of Top 100 players...BorderWars.com also listed him among Top 100...*Florida Times Union* placed him on their Super 75...*Atlanta Constitution* listed him on Southern Super 100...Tom Lemming of *Prep Football Report* lists Jones as one of the top recruits to come to Florida State...is listed as No. 10 in the Top-25 linebackers list by Lemming...son of former FSU defensive end Willie Jones.

## **RON LUNFORD**

**6-5, 324, OFFENSIVE LINE**

**JACKSONVILLE, FL (WHITE)**

Ranked 13th on Tom Lemming's *espn.com* Top-25 offensive linemen...did not play as a junior, but came on strong in his senior season...ranked as the third-best prep offensive lineman in the country by BorderWars.com, given a five-star rating by the recruiting web site...first team All-American by Rivals and was ranked as the 18th best player nationally...named to Max Emfinger's Top 25 players nationally...listed on *Florida Times Union's* Super 75...also listed on *Atlanta Journal Constitution* Southern Super 100...earned all-city and all-state mention for his play at offensive tackle...power blocker with quick feet and great body control...bench-presses 405...nickname is "Lucky"...picked FSU over Auburn, Florida, Miami and Georgia.

## **JOE MAUER**

**6-4, 205, QUARTERBACK**

**ST. PAUL, MN (CRETIN-DERHAM)**

Gatorade National High School Player of the Year...*Parade* and *USA Today* Player of the Year...also a Reebok/ESPN All-American...member of Max Emfinger's Nifty 150...also made Rivals.com Top 100...as a senior, completed 178 of 288 passes (61.8 pct) for 3,022 yards and a state-record tying 41 TDs...led his high school team to two straight appearances in the Minnesota Class 5A championship game...projected to be a first-round draft pick in upcoming Major League Baseball draft...in the five games of the national team trials tournament, Mauer led all players in batting average, hits, runs scored, doubles, total bases and on-base percentage...Mauer finished the trials batting .550 (11-for-20) with nine runs scored and three RBI...of his 11 hits, four were doubles...averages almost 20 points per game for his high school basketball team...from same high school as FSU's Heisman Trophy winner Chris Weinke...the No. 1 overall pick in the 2001 Major League Baseball Draft...chose Florida State over Miami, Arizona and Minnesota.

## **MATT MEINROD**

**6-4, 275, OFFENSIVE LINE**

**TARPON SPRINGS, FL (EAST LAKE)**

A three-star offensive lineman, as rated by BorderWars.com collegiate recruiting site...one of the top offensive line prospects in the state of Florida...made both the Florida Top 100 and the national Nifty 150 lists by Max Emfinger...named to *Florida Times Union* Super 75...also a member of the *Atlanta Constitution's* Super Southern 100...could play either guard or center for the Seminoles...graded out at over 90 percent last season...runs a reported 4.8 40-yard dash and bench presses 405 pounds...has a 32" vertical leap...selected Florida State over Ohio State, Tennessee and Georgia...first-team all-state as a senior.

## **ADRIAN McPHERSON**

**6-3, 178, QUARTERBACK**

**BRADENTON, FL**

**(BRADENTON SOUTHEAST)**

Became the first player ever to be named Mr. Football and Mr. Basketball in the state of Florida...Gatorade Florida Player of the Year...first team Class 4A all-state...passed for 3,727 yards on 217 of 355 (61 pct) passing with 42 TDs and rushed for 765 yards and

eight rushing TD's as a senior...passed for 75 TDs and 6,161 yards over the past two seasons...selected to play in the CaliFlorida Bowl in Santa Barbara, CA...Max Emfinger named him one of their Super 25 and also to their Nifty 150 national list...BorderWars.com selected him to their Top 100 team...made *Florida Times Union* Super 75 and *Atlanta Constitution* Super Southern 100...selected to *Gainesville Star's* Top 10 list...averaged 35 points, 10 rebounds and nine assists a game—including games of 59, 56, 52, 49 and 46 points—in basketball during his junior year...broke his single-game scoring record in basketball with 59 points vs. East Bay...played outfield for his American Legion baseball team that won a state championship...hails from the same high school as former FSU star Peter Warrick and current Seminole Todd Williams...chose FSU over North Carolina.

## **ERIC MOORE**

**6-4, 225, LINEBACKER**

**PAHOKEE, FL (PAHOKEE)**

Considered by many to be one of the top linebackers in the nation and the best linebacker prospect in Florida this year...has the ability to play all three linebacking positions...one of four Seminole 2000 signings to be honored as a *Parade* All-American (Buchanan, Johnson and McFadden)...a *PrepStar* and *Football News* All-American...named to *PrepStar's* 1999 Top 100 (No. 2 linebacker) Dream Team...listed as the No. 6 prospect in the Southeast Region by *PrepStar*...a *USA Today* All-USA second-team selection...Jeff Whitaker's *Deep South Football Recruiting Guide* Florida Player of the Year...25th best player in the country according to *Orlando Sentinel*...*St. Pete Times* "Blue Chipper"...all-south selection by Fox Sports Net...*SuperPrep's* No. 7 linebacker...Rivals100.com's No. 4 linebacker...G&W's No. 3 linebacker...helped lead team to state finals as a junior with current Seminole Anquan Boldin...had 123 tackles and 10 sacks as a junior...reported time in the 40 was 4.7...also plays basketball in high school...chose Florida State over Tennessee, Miami, West Virginia and North Carolina.

## **RAY PIQUION**

**5-11, 209, LINEBACKER**

**MIAMI, FL (MIAMI LAKES)**

Graduated early from high school and enrolled at Florida State in January...participated in spring drills and recorded two unassisted tackles and three assists in Garnet & Gold game...begins the fall listed second on the depth chart at strongside linebacker behind Michael Boulware...named second-team all-state as a senior at Miami Lakes...Max Emfinger listed him on both his national Nifty 150 and state of Florida Top 100...selected by *Florida Times Union* to their Super 75 team...made 133 tackles as a junior...had a 35" vertical leap...was clocked at 4.47 in the 40...selected FSU over a number of other schools, including Miami, Nebraska and Penn State.

## **WILLIE REID**

**5-10, 175, RUNNING BACK**

**KATHLEEN, GA (WARNER ROBINS)**

Voted Georgia's Offensive Player of the Year...clocked at a 4.50 40-yard dash time...selected FSU over Georgia and Florida...ran for 5,346 yards and scored 65 touchdowns in his career at Warner Robins high school...named to *Orlando Sentinel* All-Southern team...BorderWars.com Top 100 selection...had 1,864 rushing yards in his senior year and rushed for over 2,000 yards and 20 touchdowns in his junior year...also a standout punt returner...bench presses 250 and has a 35" vertical leap.

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## DOMINIC ROBINSON

6-1, 192, DEFENSIVE BACK  
DIAMOND BAR, CA (DIAMOND BAR)

One of the best cover corner prospects in the nation...as a senior he picked off 10 passes, broke up 20 others and recorded 93 tackles...played both free safety and cornerback during the season...named MVP of national all-star game played in December in Dallas, TX...Rivals.com named him to its 11 member defensive All-America team...made Reebok/ESPN first team All-America...ranked as the nation's second best prospect by *SuperPrep*...listed eight nationally by Rivals 100...selected by Max Emfinger to the Nifty 150...picked off eight passes, returning one of them back for a touchdown as a junior...had three interceptions, including one for a touchdown, to help lead Diamond Bar to a California Interscholastic Federation Division II championship game victory as a sophomore...also caught 24 passes for 722 yards and nine touchdowns last season...chose Florida State over Tennessee and Washington.

## GERARD ROSS

6-2, 190, DEFENSIVE BACK  
JACKSONVILLE, FL (TRINITY CHRISTIAN)

One of Florida's premier athletes who played both ways...threw for 1,700 yards and 29 touchdowns as a junior...also gained 900 yards rushing and scored 11 rushing touchdowns...recorded eight interceptions, 71 stops, two sacks, three interceptions, six knockdowns and had 46 tackles from his safety spot...named to *Orlando Sentinel's* All-Southern team...named to Max Emfinger's Nifty 150 nationally...BorderWars.com selected him among their Top 100 prospects...also made Rivals.com's Top 100 list...member of *Florida Times Union's* Super 75...tabbed by *Atlanta Constitution* as a Super Southern selection...runs the 40-yard dash in the 4.4-second range and has a 37-inch vertical leap...selected the Seminoles over Georgia, Florida, Notre Dame, Auburn, Alabama and Miami.

## P.K. SAM

6-3, 185, WIDE RECEIVER  
BUFORD, GA (BUFORD)

Had 39 catches for 1,067 yards, averaging 27.4 yards per catch...added nine touchdowns (two rushing) and two return touchdowns, as well as 91 tackles and five interceptions at free safety during his senior year...named first team Class A all-state...named to *Orlando Sentinel's* All-Southern team...named to Max Emfinger's Nifty 150 nationally...also made Rivals.com's Top 100 list...member of *Florida Times Union's* Super 75...tabbed by *Atlanta Constitution* as a Super Southern selection...earned conference and county Player of the Year accolades...Coach Dexter Wood reports 40 speed at 4.42...won the state title in the 110m hurdles and the 300m hurdles in his senior track and field season...also played basketball in high school...led team to a 13-2 record and a state runner up finish as a junior...also saw time at punter and averaged 35.2 yards per punt.

## ERIC SHELTON

6-3, 230, RUNNING BACK  
LEXINGTON, KY (BRYAN STATION)

First team *USA Today* and *Parade* All-American...a *SuperPrep* Elite 50 member...selected All-America by Reebok/ESPN...BorderWars.com selected him among their Top 100 prospects...also made Rivals.com's Top 100 list...tabbed by *Atlanta Constitution* as a Super Southern selection...named to *Orlando Sentinel's* All-Southern team...scored 32 touchdowns and averaged over 10 yards per carry...rushed for 4,970 yards and 59 TD's over his career and was a two-time state class 4A Player of the Year...totaled 129 tackles, 41 tackles for losses and 11 QB sacks during his prep career at linebacker...also played defen-

sive end...has a 36-inch vertical leap and bench presses 350 pounds...an all-state track performer competing in the high hurdles, triple jump and 4x100 relay.

## CRAPHONSO THORPE

6-2, 185, WIDE RECEIVER  
TALLAHASSEE, FL (LINCOLN)

*USA Today* All-USA second team...first team Class 6A all-state...recorded 64 passes for 1,025 yards and 8 TDs...returned two kick-offs and two punts for touchdowns...recorded 24 tackles, three interceptions, 14 pass break-ups and two fumble recoveries at cornerback...caught five passes for 69 yards in national All-Star game...won state title with Lincoln in 1999...named to Max Emfinger's Nifty 150 nationally...also made Rivals.com's Top 100 list...member of *Florida Times Union's* Super 75...tabbed by *Atlanta Constitution* as a Super Southern selection named to *Orlando Sentinel's* All-Southern team...timed at 4.37 in the 40-yard dash...chose FSU over Florida, Tennessee, Miami, Georgia Tech and Alabama.

## JUSTIN TOMERLIN

6-5, 240, TIGHT END  
SAN CLEMENTE, CA (SAN CLEMENTE)

Is the only tight end among FSU's 2001 signing class...an explosive player who has recorded 40 sacks over the past two years to go with 52 tackles for losses as a high school defensive end...very agile, he has played fullback, offensive tackle and tight end on offense...bench presses 345 pounds...collected 59 tackles, four sacks, nine tackles for loss and eight hurries in his senior year...Coach Eric Patton reports 40-yard dash speed to be 4.75...played in both the National All-Star game as well as the CaliFlorida Bowl...also played blocking back and tight end on offense in high school.

## BLAKE WILLIAMS

6-4, 270, OFFENSIVE LINE  
KISSIMEE, FL (OSCEOLA)

Brother of FSU starting offensive tackle Brett Williams...will join one of the top offensive line classes in the country...selected FSU over Clemson, Florida and South Carolina...first-team Class A all-state offensive lineman as a senior...named to Max Emfinger's Top 100...timed at a 4.80 40-yard dash...missed much of his sophomore and junior seasons due to a knee injury and a ruptured appendix...will likely play offensive guard at FSU.



### Chopped down

#### Robinson, Jones lift FSU to No. 1 in recruiting race

Posted: Wednesday February 07, 2001 12:38 PM  
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ATLANTA (CNN) -- Reports circulating out of Miami's Pro Player Stadium last month regarding the demise of Florida State appear to have been premature.

Bobby Bowden may have lost the national championship, his Heisman-winning quarterback and his top offensive need, but he hasn't lost his recruiting touch. Grabbing four major commitments in the last two days, Bowden's Seminoles pulled away from LSU, Michigan, Texas, Washington and Oklahoma for the 2001 recruiting title.

FSU, which was recently left with only one scholarship quarterback following the dismissal of junior Jared Jones, filed its biggest need by landing two of the nation's top 10 QB prospects, Minnesota's Joe Mauer (*USA Today* offensive player of the year) and Adrian McPherson of Brentwood, TN.



Bobby Bowden is expected to land at least 15 high school All-Americans.  
Scott Waldman/Report