



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

SPORTS INFORMATION



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MARCH 14, 2001

TONY RICHIE'S SOLO HOMER GIVES FSU 1-0 WIN OVER LIBERTY

Matt Lynch struck out a career-high nine in rain-shortened shutout.

Tallahassee, Fla. – Sophomore left-hander Matt Lynch (2-1) led No. 18 Florida State (16-5) to a 1-0 victory over Liberty (8-7) with a rain-shortened, seven-inning complete game shutout at Dick Howser Stadium. Lynch allowed four hits, walked two and struck out a career-high nine batters. His previous career-high in strikeouts was eight and he came up one inning short of matching his career-long outing of eight innings.

Liberty right-hander Danny Valentin (3-1) also had an impressive start, giving up one run on three hits in 6.1 innings while striking out seven.

The game was called with one out in the bottom of the seventh due to rain and lightning.

FSU freshman catcher Tony Richie was responsible for the game-winner with his first career home run, a solo shot down the left field line in the bottom of the fifth inning. Richie, who had two of FSU's three hits, also threw out a base stealer at second and picked off a runner at first.

The Seminoles look to extend their 13-game winning streak this weekend at NC State. FSU leaves for Raleigh Thursday afternoon for a three-game series with the Wolfpack on Friday (7:00 p.m.), Saturday (1:00 p.m.) and Sunday (1:30 p.m.). Saturday's game will be televised live by Sunshine Network. FSU's next home game is Tuesday, March 20th against Akron at 6:00 p.m.

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The Automated ScoreBook
 Liberty at Florida State
 Mar 14, 2001 at Tallahassee, FL (Dick Howser)

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Florida State 1 (16-5)

Name (Pos)	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A
Joey Monahan ss.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Larry Wayne York 2b.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Keith Butler cf.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	2	0
Trey Miller lf.....	3	0	2	0	0	0	2	0
John Bona 3b.....	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
Steve Baker rf.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	0
Kelly Knouse 1b.....	2	0	0	0	0	2	5	1
Anthony Pennix dh.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Eric Cloninger c.....	1	0	0	0	1	1	7	0
Danny Valentin p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals.....	21	0	4	0	2	9	19	4

Name (Pos)	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A
Bryan Zech 2b.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	2
John-Ford Griffin lf.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Ryan Barthelemy 1b.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	7	1
Chris Cole dh.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Mike Futrell rf.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Karl Jernigan cf.....	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
Brett Groves ss.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	1
Scott Toole 3b.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Tony Richie c.....	2	1	2	1	0	0	9	2
Matt Lynch p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Totals.....	22	1	3	1	1	7	21	10

Score by innings: R H E

Liberty	000	000	0	-	0	4	1
Florida State	000	010	0	-	1	3	1

Note: 1 out, 0 runner(s) LOB when the game ended.

E - CLONINGER; Groves.
 DP - Seminoles 2. LOB - Flames 3; Seminoles 4.
 HR - Richie(1).
 CS - MILLER, T..
 SH - BAKER.

Liberty	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Danny Valentin.....	6.1	3	1	1	1	7	22	24

Florida State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Matt Lynch.....	7.0	4	0	0	2	9	21	24

Win - Lynch 2-1. Loss - VALENTIN 3-1. Save - None.
 CI - CLONINGER.
 Umpires - Home:Bruce Ravan 1st:Wayne Funderburke 3rd:Al Davis
 Start: 6:03 Time: 1:40 Attendance: 961

Game Notes:
 Game called with one out in the bottom of the seventh due to lightning
 and rain.