



GAME 10

Mississippi State vs Florida State

1990 NCAA South II
Regional Tournament

Mississippi State University
Dudy Noble Field
Starkville, MS
May 24 - 27



1990 NCAA SOUTH II REGIONAL
MAY 24-27, 1990
DUDY NOBLE FIELD - STARKVILLE, MISS.

STARTING LINEUPS FOR GAME 10:

FLORIDA STATE (56-14)

Advanced to championship game by defeating Lafayette (7-2) and Central Michigan (4-2); then advancing through the loser's bracket after an 11-8 loss to Mississippi State by defeating Illinois (6-4)

1	ALLEN BEVIS	2B
17	MARC RONAN	LF
24	EDDIE PEREZ	1B
7	JOHN MARC TAMAYO	DH
22	PETE GRIFOL	C
45	CHRIS BROCK	RF
6	ROB BARGAS	3B
13	CHRIS ROBERTS	CF
9	ROCKY RAU	SS
32	GAR FINNVOLD	RHP
	(14-3, 2.69 ERA)	

MISSISSIPPI STATE (48-18)

Advanced to championship game by defeating Brigham Young (16-5); Illinois (5-3) and Florida State (11-8)

42	DAVID MITCHELL	CF
23	BURKE MASTERS	3B
11	JOHN COHEN	LF
22	TOMMY RAFFO	1B
3	JON SHAVE	SS
21	TRACY ECHOLS	RF
15	JIM ROBINSON	C
27	REX BUCKNER	DH
2	SCOTT MITCHELL	2B
32	CHRIS GEORGE	LHP
	(9-5, 4.47 ERA)	

UMPIRES:

HP — Tio Salazar
1B — Bob Jones
2B — Bob Homolka
3B — Lee Hagler

OFFICIAL NCAA BOX SCORE 1990 NCAA SOUTH II REGIONAL - GAME 10
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2B- SHAVE ; GRIFOL ; BARGAS ; RONAN ; ECHOLS 3B- Ø

HR-ROBERTS 2 (5)

SB- BEV'S 2; TAMAYO

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SAVE—

WP- FINNVOLD 2; GEORGE;

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U—(HP) TIO SALOZAR (1B) BOB JONES (2B) BOB HOMOLKA (3B) LEE HAGLER—3:26

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PLAY-BY-PLAY

1990 NCAA SOUTH II REGIONAL BASEBALL TOURNAMENT
DUDY NOBLE FIELD — STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI
GAME TEN — MAY 27, 1990
#1 FLORIDA STATE (56-14) VS. #2 MISSISSIPPI STATE (48-18)

BATTERIES: FSU-GAR FINNVOLD (14-3) & Pete Grifol
MSU-CHRIS GEORGE (9-5) & Jim Robinson

UMPIRES: HP-Tio Salazar, 1B-Bob Jones, 2B-Bob Homolka, 3B-Lee Hagler

TOP OF THE FIRST (FSU): Bevis flies out to right (1 out). Ronan strikes out swinging (2 out). Perez flies out to right (3 out).
0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 left

BOTTOM OF THE FIRST (MSU): D. Mitchell singles to left. Masters singles to center; D. Mitchell to second. Cohen grounds into double play (4-6-3) (2 out). Raffo singles to left scoring D. Mitchell. Shave grounds out to second (3 out).
1 run, 3 hits, 0 errors, 1 left

TOP OF THE SECOND (FSU): Tamayo reaches on fielding error by S. Mitchell. Grifol grounds into double play (6-4-3) (2 out). Brock grounds out to third (3 out).
0 runs, 0 hits, 1 error, 0 left

BOTTOM OF THE SECOND (MSU): Echols singles to right. Robinson strikes out swinging (1 out). Buckner singles to right; Echols to second. S. Mitchell singles to left; Buckner to second; Echols scores on fielding error by Ronan. D. Mitchell grounds out to short (2 out); Buckner to third; S. Mitchell to second. Masters strikes out swinging (3 out).
1 run, 3 hits, 1 error, 2 left

TOP OF THE THIRD (FSU): Bargas singles to center. Roberts singles to left; Bargas to second. Rau reaches on bunt fielder's choice; Roberts to second; Bargas out at third (1-5 putout) (1 out). Bevis singles to center scoring Roberts; Rau to third. Ronan reaches on fielder's choice; Rau scores; Bevis out at second (1-6 putout) (2 out). Perez grounds out to third (3 out).
2 runs, 3 hits, 0 errors, 1 left

BOTTOM OF THE THIRD (MSU): Cohen reaches on fielding error by Bevis. Raffo singles to left; Cohen to second. Cohen to third and Raffo to second on wild pitch. Shave strikes out swinging (1 out). Echols intentionally walks to load the bases. Robinson singles to left scoring Cohen and Raffo; Echols to second. Buckner grounds into double play (6-4-3) (3 out).
2 runs, 2 hits, 1 error, 1 left

TOP OF THE FOURTH (FSU): Tamayo grounds out to pitcher (1 out). Grifol lines out to third (2 out). Brock singles to left. Bargas grounds into force (6-4 putout) (3 out).
0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 left

BOTTOM OF THE FOURTH (MSU): S. Mitchell strikes out swinging (1 out). D. Mitchell bloop singles to left. Masters flies out to right (2 out). Cohen flies out to left (3 out).
0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 left

TOP OF THE FIFTH (FSU): Roberts homers to center. FSU PINCH-HITTER: Brian Gilliland for Rocky Rau. Gilliland grounds out to third (1 out). Bevis singles to right. Bevis steals second; to third on throwing error by Robinson. Ronan grounds out to first (2 out); Bevis scores. Perez strikes out looking (3 out).
2 runs, 2 hits, 1 error, 0 left

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GAME TEN (FSU vs. MSU)

BOTTOM OF THE FIFTH (MSU): Raffo reaches on throwing error by Gilliland. Shave doubles down right field line; Raffo to third. Echols intentionally walks to load the bases. Robinson walks scoring Raffo. Buckner grounds into double play (4-6-3) (2 out); Shave scores; Echols to third. S. Mitchell flies out to right (3 out).
2 runs, 1 hit, 1 error, 1 left

TOP OF THE SIXTH (FSU): Tamayo pops up to second (1 out). Grifol doubles to left field. Grifol to third on wild pitch. Brock walks. Bargas doubles to right scoring Grifol; Brock to third. MSU PITCHING CHANGE: Tracy Jobes for Chris George. Roberts homers to left scoring three. Gilliland walks. Bevis bunts and reaches on fielder's choice; Gilliland out at second (3-6 putout) (2 out). Bevis steals second. Ronan doubles to right-center scoring Bevis. Perez grounds out to short (3 out).
5 runs, 4 hits, 0 errors, 1 left

BOTTOM OF THE SIXTH (MSU): D. Mitchell walks. Masters reaches on infield hit; D. Mitchell to second. Cohen flies out to center (1 out). Raffo strikes out swinging (2 out). Shave flies out to right (3 out).
0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 2 left

TOP OF THE SEVENTH (FSU): Tamayo singles to right. Tamayo steals second. Grifol reaches on fielding error by Shave. Brock grounds into double play (6-4-3) (2 out); Tamayo to third. Bargas strikes out swinging (3 out).
0 runs, 1 hit, 1 error, 1 left

BOTTOM OF THE SEVENTH (MSU): Echols doubles to right-center. Robinson reaches on infield hit; Echols to third. Buckner singles to center scoring Echols. S. Mitchell strikes out swinging (1 out). Robinson to third and Buckner to second on wild pitch. D. Mitchell strikes out swinging (2 out). Masters intentionally walks to load the bases. Cohen reaches on error by Gilliland; Robinson and Buckner score; Masters to second. Raffo flies out to center (3 out).
3 runs, 3 hits, 1 error, 2 left

TOP OF THE EIGHTH (FSU): MSU PITCHING CHANGE: Tim Henderson for Tracy Jobes. Roberts flies out to right (1 out). Gilliland walks. MSU PITCHING CHANGE: Jon Harden for Tim Henderson. Bevis walks. Ronan reaches on error by S. Mitchell to load the bases. Perez sac lines out to right (2 out); Gilliland scores; Bevis to third. Tamayo singles to right scoring Bevis; Ronan to second. Grifol grounds into force (6-4 putout) (3 out).
2 runs, 2 hits, 1 error, 2 left

BOTTOM OF THE EIGHTH (MSU): Shave grounds out to first (1 out). Echols singles to center. Robinson grounds into double play (6-4-3) (3 out).
0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 0 left

TOP OF THE NINTH (FSU): Brock grounds out (1-6-3 putout) (1 out). Bargas lines out to left (2 out). Roberts grounds out to third (3 out).
0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 left

BOTTOM OF THE NINTH (MSU): Buckner singles to center. S. Mitchell strikes out swinging (1 out). D. Mitchell reaches on fielder's choice; Buckner out at second (5-4 putout) (2 out). Masters grounds into force (6-4 putout) (3 out).
0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 left

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MISSISSIPPI STATE COACH RON POLK:

"You have to give Florida State credit, they put the ball in play very well tonight. They only left six guys on base, and did a good job of two-strike hitting.

"We got 16 hits ourselves and left 11 guys on base, I think. It was a lot of double-play ground balls, which meant we hit the ball hard."

"We still weren't able to generate the big inning, they got the five-spot in the middle of the ball game that really hurt. But the guys did a great job of battling back, it seemed the game was see-sawing back and fourth. We scored enough runs to win, it was just a matter that Florida State did a good job."

"Pitching-wise, nobody did a bad job at all, they were swinging the bat good. Chris George did what he had to do, get us to the middle of the ball game with a chance to win it. From that point in time we weren't able to get the key hits, the back-to-back hits to really generate the big inning."

"We'll wake up, the sun will be shining and we've got Bobby Reed throwing tomorrow. We feel very confident about that, at the same time it's not going to be an easy ball game."

On using George tonight instead of Reed—"The decision basically was we had great confidence in Chris, and we felt he would pitch a lot better than he did yesterday. At the same time we would like to give Bobby Reed another day's rest, he hasn't pitched a lot in this tournament. We just wanted to be sure. And two, Gar's a heck of a pitcher, I mean he's their ace. That's another great thing about our ball club tonight; we've got to be proud of them getting that many runs and that many hits off one of the best pitchers in the state of Florida. Joe (Hudak) and I talked about it, rather give Bobby another day of rest and maybe match him up with their number two or three."

CHRIS GEORGE—"Coming into the game I was ready to play, I was ready to pitch and I wanted to redeem myself for yesterday. I felt good, I had pretty good stuff working, the curveball was working for me. But in the third and sixth innings when they scored the runs I got behind a couple of guys and they can sit back and wait on a 2-0 fastball, whatever. I can't take anything away from them, they are a good hitting team and they put the ball in play about all the time."

FLORIDA STATE COACH MIKE MARTIN:

"Well, G-Man to me was the story. He overcame some of the mistakes we made, and did not become rattled. That's the key to beating a club like Mississippi State, he never lost his poise, he was in total control of the situation. He went out there and spotted the ball very well, and that's the story of the ball game."

"Offensively Chris Roberts obviously was the story. He really picked us up with the first home run and the second was the three-runner which was very big. Vargas did a good job getting the run in with the sacrifice fly."

"I'm the first to say that the G-Man is through for this tournament. But we feel very good, confident with Brad Gregory, he's a bulldog--no pun intended--he's a battler, he'll give us as many innings as he can. And we'll bring somebody else out there when and if the time comes."

"We made the Mississippi State athletic department and NCAA very happy. I would think their fans are excited; if not more, because they get to see another baseball game. If State had won today the season would have been over at this great place. And this is a great place, we are proud to be competing here, a great bunch of fans. This is what it's all about. And we've got the same thing at Tallahassee, we just don't have quite as many people. These fans are first-class."

"We had Gregory throwing, but not very much. When Gar got out of that inning, I really felt then he was like a horse that smelled the barn. Because he had just as much in the ninth as he had in the first inning."