

# 2015 @CANESFOOTBALL Post Game Quotes

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MIAMI (3-0) 36, NEBRASKA (1-2) 33 OT SUN LIFE STADIUM ● MIAMI GARDENS, FLA. ● SEPT. 19, 2015 ● ATTENDANCE: 53,580

### **Nebraska Player Postgame Quotes**

vs. Nebraska – September 19, 2015

#### **QB Tommy Armstrong**

On what he saw on his interception in overtime...

"I saw Taariq [Allen] running baseline, or a back line of the end zone. I didn't really see the corner. I underthrew him. That's on me. I had late throws in that game - some of them were great, some of them were bad. I just have to make sure I fix my mistakes, and that wouldn't have caused us the game."

On the rhythm of the fourth quarter for Nebraska's offense...

"I feel like we had all the momentum, we had to make sure we made plays. Throwing a pick on the first play is not the way to have it go. We'll learn from it. I'm going to learn from it myself as a leader, and make sure I try to fix it, and move on to next week."

On whether he felt his team's positive momentum cause in err in judgment...

"Not really. We had three guys in routes. I rolled to the right, and there was only one guy I could actually throw it to. He was open. I should have got the ball to him. I underthrew it, and it cost us the game. Now I have to get the ball up and get the ball out there. He's running free in the end zone, and I should have got the ball out for him."

#### On wild strange games...

"We still got a lot to learn - defensive-wise, offensive-wise. We still got young guys that have to realize we can't take things for granted. We have to prepare well, have to come out and have a purpose. That's the football team that I've seen in the spring and fall and the last 7 to 10 minutes of this game. We have to make sure we play all four quarters like that. Like I said, it's all about consistency when it comes to our football team. We saw games where we've been great two or three quarters and then sloppy one quarter, and it happens to lose this game. This time, we had maybe a quarter and a half where we were playing as great as we wanted to. But we have to make sure we fix that, myself as a leader, I have to make sure I have guys prepared and I have to make sure we have the right attitude going into each and every game."

## S Nate Gerry

On how tough it is emotionally to be on the losing end of tonight's game...

"It's tough. It's emotional. We kind of put it on ourselves. We made a lot of mistakes on our end that we could have eliminated early. They kind of got a quick jump on us, and it kind of bit us in the end."

On if he believes in moral victories, or if he counts the game as just another loss...

"A loss is a loss. But like I said, the ballgame could have been a whole lot different if we would have played our game. I don't think we prepared very well. I thought we had a pretty good week of practice, but I don't think we put it on tape today."

On the fight in the team to come back from being down 23 points...

"That's Nebraska tradition. That's just 'blackshirt' mentality. That's the team mentality ever sense I've been here. We've been down in the dumps for a couple of games, but ever since I've been here, we've always rallied back. That's the tradition of Nebraska."

On if there was a point in the game where he felt the team had a chance...

"Towards the second half. We came in the locker room at halftime and we knew we were beating ourselves. It was only a 17-point game, and if the offense would have put up a couple of points, it could have been a 10-point game at halftime, and we would have felt real good. Knowing we were down and coming out and they scored again, we could have just sat there and folded. But that's the mentality in this team, the character of this team, just to rally back and build off each other. In the end, we bit ourselves from the beginning."

On the play of Miami quarterback Brad Kaaya...

"He's a good quarterback. He's the best we have faced so far. He's just really poised in the pocket, and he knows where he wants to go with the ball. He makes his checks, where if he doesn't like what he sees the first time, he's going to check for the best of them. He threw the ball on the money all game. He's just really poised. I think he's going to be a really good quarterback in the next couple of years. "