



NO. 9 FLORIDA STATE 67, NO. 8 MARYLAND 65

Ninth-seeded Florida State improved to 19-12 on the season and earned a berth in Friday's quarterfinals against top-seeded Virginia, a game that will start at noon. The teams played twice during the regular season, with the Cavaliers gaining a sweep with a pair of 12-point wins, 62-50 in Tallahassee and 78-66 in Charlottesville.

It was the first win in five tries for Florida State over Maryland in the ACC Tournament. The Seminoles are 14-21 all-time in the tournament. They won the championship in 2012 in Atlanta.

The Seminoles' Boris Bojanovsky, who had missed two free throws moments earlier, hit a pair of go-ahead free throws for Florida State with 29.8 seconds remaining. Then, after the Terps tied the score at 65, Bojanovsky took a bounce pass from Okaro White and slammed the ball home for the winning points with 00.4 seconds left. Bojanovsky, a 7-foot-3 sophomore from the Slovak Republic, finished with 12 points and a game-high and career-high 12 rebounds.

Although he was named the ACC's Sixth Man of the Year in a vote by the league's head coaches, Florida State's Ian Miller has been in the starting lineup the last six games. The senior guard led the Seminoles with 17 points against Maryland.

Montay Brandon of the Seminoles scored seven points and grabbed four rebounds playing in his home town of Greensboro. Brandon, a 6-foot-7 sophomore, graduated from High Point Wesleyan Christian.

After being out-rebounded in four of their last five games, Florida State beat the Terps on the boards 39-26.

Florida State's Leonard Hamilton notched his 10th ACC Tournament coaching victory with the dramatic win over Maryland. That is the third-most ACC Tourney wins for any active coach, trailing only Duke's Mike Krzyzewski (53) and UNC's Roy Williams (15).

Florida State's Aaron Thomas scored 11 of his 14 points in the second half. In his last 10 games since becoming a full-time starter in February, Thomas has averaged a team-leading 17.5 points.

The No. 9 seed is now 10-22 all-time in ACC Tournament play. The eighth-seeded teams are 15-51.

Maryland, playing in its final ACC Tournament, finished with an all-time record of 47-57 in the event. The Terrapins posted a 26-23 record in 25 tournament appearances at the Greensboro Coliseum, including championships in 1984 and 2004.

Maryland had its greatest tournament success in Greensboro. The Terps were 21-34 outside Greensboro – 7-12 in Raleigh, 6-11 in Charlotte, 5-6 in Atlanta, 0-1 in Tampa and 3-4 in Landover/Washington.

The Terps made their sixth appearance in the tournament as a No. 8 seed. Thursday marked only the second time that Maryland had failed to win at least one game as the eighth-seeded team. The Terps slipped to 3-2 vs. the No. 9 seed in the ACC Tournament.

With 18 points, Maryland sophomore Seth Allen scored in double figures for the 12th time in the 19 games he has played this season. Allen, who missed the first 12 games of the season due to a fractured bone in his left foot, has averaged 17.6 points over his last five games and has scored at least 20 points in three of those contests.

Maryland junior Dez Wells matched Allen for game-high scoring honors with 18 points, scoring in double figures for the fifth straight game and the 28th time in 32 games this season.

With two 3-point baskets on Thursday, the Terps' Jake Layman pushed his team-leading total to 61. With 15 points, Layman scored in double figures for the 20th time this season.