# Middle Tennessee
## 2002-03 Blue Raider Basketball

## Blue Raiders (4-7) vs. Murray State (6-3)

### SCHEDULE / SCORES

**OVERALL RECORD:** 4-7
**HOME:** 3-3 **NEUTRAL:** 1-0
**AWAY:** 0-4 **CONF:** 0-0

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **N5** | **Global Sports** | **L, 73-80** |
| **N14** | **VASDA Exhibition** | **W, 86-67** |
| **N22** | **East Carolina** | **L, 63-65** |
| N25 | at #4 Alabama | L, 65-80 |
| **N27** | **UT Martin** | **W, 88-77** |
| N30 | at UNC Greensboro | L, 58-70 |
| **D4** | **Tennessee Tech** | **L, 66-70** |
| D6 | at Purdue | L, 56-85 |
| D7 | IUPUI (@PU) | W, 64-60 |
| **D16** | **Murray State** | **L, 72-79** |
| **D18** | **Christian Brothers** | **W, 74-57** |
| D21 | at Austin Peay | L, 71-79 (OT) |
| **D27** | **Kennesaw State** | **W, 66-62** |
| J1 | at Murray State | 4 PM |
| **J4** | **Western Kentucky*** | **7 PM** |
| J9 | at Arkansas State* | 7 PM |
| J11 | at Arkansas-Little Rock* | 7 PM |
| **J16** | **South Alabama*** | **7 PM** |
| **J18** | **New Orleans*** | **7 PM** |
| J23 | at New Mexico State* | 8 PM |
| J25 | at Louisiana-Lafayette* | 7 PM |
| **J28** | **IP-Fort Wayne** | **7 PM** |
| **F1** | **Florida Int'l* (ESPN)** | **7 PM** |
| **F6** | **North Texas*** | **7 PM** |
| F8 | at Denver* | 8 PM |
| **F13** | **Arkansas State*** | **7 PM** |
| **F15** | **Arkansas-Little Rock*** | **7 PM** |
| F22 | at Florida International* | 6 PM |
| M1 | at Western Kentucky*(ESPN) | 7 PM |
| M7-11 | Sun Belt Tournament | TBA |

### Gameday Information

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|---|---|
| **When:** | Jan. 1, 2003 (4 PM) |
| **Site:** | Regional Special Events Center (8,600); Murray, KY |
| **TV:** | None |
| **Radio:** | WBOZ FM 104.9 & WMOT FM 89.5 (Dick Palmer & Jan Stauffer) |
| **Series:** | MSU leads 100-34 |
| **Last Meeting:** | MSU 79, MT 72 (12/16/02) |
| **Notes:** | The Blue Raiders fell to Murray State 79-72 on Dec. 16 ... Today's game marks the final non-conference tilt before the Sun Belt schedule gets underway on Saturday ... Tommy Gunn comes into today's game shooting 53.7% from behind the 3-point arc. |

### *MT vs. Murray State*

The Racers won their 100th game in the series after defeating the Blue Raiders **79-72** in Murfreesboro on Dec. 16. The series now stands at **100-34** overall. The Blue Raiders knocked off the Racers 81-79 the last time the teams met in Murray during the 1999-00 campaign. The Blue Raiders are now 2-3 against the Racers in the last five meetings.

### *Blue Raider Comeback*

The Blue Raiders had to battle for their lives against Kennesaw State on Friday night. MT was **down as many as 14** in the first half against the Owls and were down by as many as 10 in the second stanza. The Blue Raiders were sparked by **Tommy Gunn** in the final frame. Gunn netted **eight straight points** in the game's final 3:16 to put the Blue Raiders in the lead to stay. The Blue Raider defense also came up big in the contest, limiting the Owls to only one field goal in the final 7:51 of the contest. MT ended the game on a **21-6** run.

### *Pippen's Hot Streak Continues*

Senior **William Pippen** has been on quite a hot streak over the last five games. The Hamburg, AR, native is averaging **17.6** points and seven rebounds during this span. Pippen has become a model of efficiency during this stretch, connecting on **66.7** percent (40-of-60) of his field goal attempts. Pippen is now the Blue Raiders' second-leading scorer at 14.4 points per contest and is tops in rebounding at 5.5 per game.

### *Snowbound ... Again*

Junior **Tommy Gunn** is getting tired of having a white Christmas. Gunn found himself sitting in his hometown of Syracuse, NY, after 30 inches of snow was dumped on the area and shut down the airport, keeping Gunn out of Murfreesboro for the second straight year. Gunn finally made his way back on Dec. 26 and was kept out of the starting lineup because of his lack of practice. Gunn made a big impact on his team against KSU, though, netting **12 points**, including eight straight in the last three minutes of the game to secure a Blue Raider win.

### *Improving Their Aim*

The Blue Raiders have now shot **50 percent** or better in **four of their last five games**. The team has used the hot shooting to win three of those contests. The Blue Raiders are now **4-1** when connecting on more than half of their shots.

### Probable Starters

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| Middle Tennessee | | | Ht. | Wt. | Cl. | PPG | RPG | APG |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| F | 40 | Napoleon Rhodes | 6-9 | 240 | Jr. | 7.1 | 5.3 | 0.7 |
| F | 3 | William Pippen | 6-8 | 200 | Sr. | 14.4 | 5.3 | 1.5 |
| G | 12 | Marcus Robinson | 6-2 | 185 | Jr. | 5.6 | 2.8 | 1.3 |
| G | 11 | Eric Parham | 5-11 | 175 | Sr. | 4.5 | 1.5 | 2.7 |
| G | 32 | Tommy Gunn | 6-3 | 205 | Jr. | 14.9 | 3.9 | 1.8 |

| Murray State | | | Ht. | Wt. | Cl. | PPG | RPG | APG |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| F | 10 | Cuthbert Victor | 6-5 | 210 | Jr. | 11.0 | 6.2 | 1.9 |
| F | 34 | Antoine Whelchel | 6-5 | 241 | Sr. | 11.8 | 5.4 | 2.7 |
| C | 42 | James Singleton | 6-8 | 215 | Sr. | 12.0 | 10.8 | 2.7 |
| G | 1 | Kevin Paschel | 5-11 | 184 | Sr. | 5.4 | 1.3 | 2.1 |
| G | 32 | Chris Shumate | 6-6 | 209 | Jr. | 13.0 | 4.1 | 3.6 |

# Media Information

### Blue Raiders on Radio

✍ All Blue Raider basketball games can be heard on WBOZ FM 104.9 in Rutherford and Cannon counties and all across middle Tennessee on WMOT FM 89.5. WBOZ will be carrying Blue Raider basketball for the fourth straight season, while WMOT is back on board for the fourth straight year. Dick Palmer is in his 21st season as the Blue Raiders' play-by-play announcer, while Jan Stauffer is handling the color commentary for the 11th straight year. MT Marketing and Promotions director, Chip Walters, will be handling all postgame interviews.

### Davis Radio Show

✍ Coach Kermit Davis' weekly radio show airs each week from Toot's Restaurant in Murfreesboro. The show will be aired on WBOZ 104.9 FM. The show, which is slated to start in January, is hosted by Chip Walters.

### Davis Television Show

✍ Coach Kermit Davis' television show is aired each week on Comcast Sports Southeast. Davis and Chip Walters will review the previous week with commentary and highlights as well as preview the week ahead. The Davis show is also aired each week on MTTV Cable 10 Rutherford County.

### Interview Protocol

✍ After a 10-minute cooling off period, requested players and head coach Kermit Davis will be available for members of the media The Blue Raider locker room is **CLOSED** both at home and on the road. At home, the interview area is located just off the northwest corner of the playing floor. On the road, requested players and Coach Davis will be brought to an area designated by the home team, or just outside the Blue Raiders' locker room facility. Player requests should be directed to assistant media relations director Ryan Simmons.

### Gameday Media Services

✍ Pregame packets including notes, statistics, and programs will be available upon arrival. Statistics will be provided thoughout the game via courtside monitors. Final statistics, including a running play-by-play, postgame notes, and quotes will be made available immediately following the game. A phone line and fax machine is available in the media relations office for media use. Any other services required should be requested in advance.

### Nominations Accepted

The Middle Tennessee athletic department is currently accepting nominations for **fans' favorite Blue Raiders and Lady Raiders in Murphy Center history along with their favorite Murphy Center moments**. The nominations can be made via the **GoBlueRaiders.com** website by clicking on the 30 YEARS icon at the top of the home page. The nominations will be considered when the All-Time Murphy Center Teams and Top Murphy Center Moments are announced at the **Murphy Center 30 Year Anniversary Celebration on Jan. 4** when the Blue Raiders and Lady Raiders play Western Kentucky in a doubleheader beginning at 4:30 PM.

### Next Up for MT

The Blue Raiders are set to begin the Sun Belt portion of the schedule on Saturday night with a home contest against **Western Kentucky**. The evening, which tips off with the Lady Raiders game against the Lady Toppers at 4:30 PM, will also include the **30th Anniversary Celebration** for the Murphy Center. The celebration will include a commemorative poster that will be distributed to fans and a reunion of many former players and coaches throughout the history of the Murphy Athletic Center.

### Davis Reaches Milestone

Head Coach **Kermit Davis** picked up a milestone win in his career with the Blue Raiders comeback win over Kennesaw State. The victory is the **75th** for Davis as a Division I head coach. He now owns an overall record of **75-56 (.573)** as a DI bench boss. Davis' overall record is now 141-82, including his junior college coaching career.

### Briefly ...

Junior **Tommy Gunn** is now only **249** points shy of 1,000 ... **Gunn** is currently ahead of school record pace in 3-point percentage at **53.7** percent ... MT is **1-3** against the OVC this season ... The Blue Raiders have started **1-1** in conference play in each of the two seasons MT has been a Sun Belt member ... Tonight's game at Murray State comes exactly **1,068** days since the Blue Raiders last played at the Regional Special Events Center ... Today's game marks the **first time** the Blue Raiders have ever played on New Year's Day.

### COMPARING NUMBERS

| MT | Stat | MSU |
|---|---|---|
| 67.5 | Points | 74.2 |
| 35.8 | Rebounds | 37.2 |
| 12.0 | Offensive Rebounds | 12.7 |
| 11.7 | Assists | 17.3 |
| 5.1 | Steals | 8.8 |
| 1.5 | Blocks | 4.7 |
| 45.0 | Field Goal Percentage | 45.8 |
| 36.2 | 3-Point Percentage | 34.6 |
| 66.1 | Free Throw Percentage | 70.5 |
| 17.2 | Free Throw Attempts | 12.4 |
| 18.5 | Turnovers | 14.7 |
| 209 | Current Sagarin Ratings | 53 |

### Rivalries Continue

Of Middle Tennessee's 10 most extensive rivalries, the top four have found their way onto the Blue Raiders' schedule this season. The Blue Raiders came into the season having played **506** combined games against **Tennessee Tech, Murray State, Austin Peay, and Western Kentucky** through the years. The Golden Eagles hold the distinction of being the longest-standing of these series at 140 games. MT has played Murray State 133 times, Austin Peay 130 times, and Western Kentucky 103 times. These games make up **28.7** percent of the 1,762 games Middle Tennessee had played coming into this season.

### Anniversary Season

Middle Tennessee will celebrate **30 years** of games inside the **Murphy Center** this season. The building opened with a game against Vanderbilt on Dec. 11, 1972. Since the Murphy Center opened, the Blue Raiders have compiled an overall record of **316-107**, for a winning percentage of 74.7. The Blue Raiders have averaged 10.8 wins per season on the Monte

### 2003-04 Signees

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ben Britt | G | 6-4 | 185 | Chattanooga, TN (Red Bank HS) | #17 prospect in state* |
| Keith Christmas | F | 6-6 | 225 | Gary, IN (Westside HS) | Led HS team to state title |
| Montrelle Crittendon | G | 6-3 | 175 | Newbern, TN (Dyer County) | #2 Prospect in state* |
| Bryan Smithson | G | 5-11 | 160 | Kennesaw, GA (N. Cobb HS) | Avg. 21 ppg and 4 apg last yr. |
| Kenyona Swader | F | 6-8 | 175 | Smyrna, TN (Smyrna HS) | #3 prospect in state* |
| Alex Weekes | F | 6-8 | 200 | Lilburn, GA (Berkmar HS) | #54 prospect in the nation* |

* according to *HoopScoop Magazine*

## 2002-03 Blue Raider Roster

| No. | Name | Pos | Ht | Wt | Cl | Hometown/High School/Other |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Keith Connor | G | 6-0 | 180 | Jr. | Plfugerville, TX/Temple JC |
| 3 | William Pippen | F | 6-8 | 200 | Sr. | Hamburg, AR/Connors State JC |
| 4 | Steven Jackson | G/F | 6-6 | 215 | Jr. | Memphis, TN/Craigmont |
| 10 | Wes Durrant | G | 5-10 | 145 | Fr. | Bowling Green, KY/Warren Central HS |
| 11 | Eric Parham | G | 5-11 | 175 | Sr. | Nashville, TN/Aquinas JC |
| 12 | Marcus Robinson | G | 6-2 | 185 | Jr. | Newnan, GA/Grayson Co. JC |
| 23 | Derek Glasper | G | 6-3 | 205 | r-Jr. | New Britain, CT/Neosho JC |
| 32 | Tommy Gunn | G | 6-3 | 205 | Jr. | Syracuse, NY/Bridgton Academy |
| 34 | Bryant Mitchell | F | 6-7 | 215 | Sr. | Lawrenceburg, TN/NE Oklahoma A&M JC |
| 35 | John Humphrey | G | 6-2 | 210 | Jr. | Swansboro, NC/Louisburg JC |
| 40 | Napoleon Rhodes | F/C | 6-9 | 240 | Jr. | Ocala, FL/Central Florida JC |
| 44 | Kyle Young | F | 6-9 | 195 | Fr. | Lewisburg, TN/Marshall Co. HS |
| 50 | Demario Watson | F/C | 6-8 | 220 | r-Sr. | Memphis, TN/NE Mississippi JC |
| 54 | Adam Osborne | F/C | 6-8 | 225 | So. | Murfreesboro, TN/Riverdale HS |

Hale Arena playing floor. Middle Tennessee will hold its official celebration this year on Jan. 4 when Western Kentucky visits Murfreesboro.

### Notable

Purdue and Christian Brothers are on the MT schedule for the first time ever this season and San Diego, a possible opponent, would also be a first timer.

Of the 23 possible opponents on this year's schedule, 13 have played MT five times or less and four have played MT 100 times or more.

The Blue Raiders' appearance in the Boilermaker Invitational this season marks the first such appearance since playing in the San Juan Shootout in the 1998-99 season.

Former OVC foes Tennessee Tech, Murray State, and Austin Peay are on the Blue Raider schedule for the first time since 1999-00.

Seven players on MT's roster began the season with less than 30 games of playing experience.

**Kermit Davis** is one of only two new coaches in the Sun Belt this season. John Pelphrey at South Alabama is the other.

Middle Tennessee is **43-29** all-time in overtime games (2-1 in double OT). The Blue Raiders are 8-5 in its last 13 overtime games.

The Blue Raiders have hit at least one three-pointer in **198** straight games. The last time MT failed to hit a shot from behind the arc was Jan. 20, 1996 at Morehead State.

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### Gunn Takes SBC Honor

Junior guard **Tommy Gunn** was named Third Team All-Sun Belt in the league's preseason awards presentation during October. Gunn, who averaged 12.5 points per contest as a sophomore, was named Honorable Mention All-SBC at the conclusion of last season.

### Blue Raiders Picked Fourth

The Sun Belt Conference's coaches chose the Blue Raiders **fourth** in the East Division in the preseason coaches poll. The coaches predicted that Western Kentucky would win the division, followed by Arkansas-Little Rock and Florida International. Arkansas State rounded out the poll in fifth place in the East.

## SUN BELT

***EAST DIVISION***

| Team | SBC Record | Overall Record |
|---|---|---|
| Arkansas-Little Rock | 0-0 | 8-5 |
| Western Kentucky | 0-0 | 6-5 |
| Arkansas State | 0-0 | 6-6 |
| Florida International | 0-0 | 5-7 |
| **Middle Tennessee** | **0-0** | **4-7** |

***WEST DIVISION***

| Team | SBC Record | Overall Record |
|---|---|---|
| New Mexico State | 0-0 | 8-2 |
| New Orleans | 0-0 | 7-3 |
| Louisiana-Lafayette | 0-0 | 7-4 |
| South Alabama | 0-0 | 6-4 |
| Denver | 0-0 | 7-5 |
| North Texas | 0-0 | 5-5 |

Through Dec. 29

***COMPOSITE SCHEDULE***

**January 2**
Montana at Denver, 8 p.m.
Canisius at Florida International, 6 p.m.
*New Mexico State at UL-Lafayette, 8:05 p.m.

**January 4**
Denver at Nebraska, 3:05 p.m.
*Western Kentucky at Middle Tennessee, 7 p.m.
*South Alabama at New Orleans, 7:05 p.m.
Harding at Arkansas-Little Rock, 7:05 p.m.
Louisiana-Lafayette at Houston, TBA

**January 5**
*North Texas at Florida International, 1 p.m.

**January 9**
*Denver at Florida International, 6 p.m.
*Middle Tennessee at Arkansas State, 7:05 p.m.
*Western Kentucky at UALR 7:05 p.m.
*Louisiana-Lafayette at South Alabama, 7:05 p.m.
*New Mexico State at New Orleans, 7 p.m.

**January 11**
*Middle Tennessee at Arkansas-Little Rock, 7:05
*Western Kentucky at Arkansas State, 7:05 p.m.
*Louisiana-Lafayette at New Orleans, 7:05 p.m.
*New Mexico State at South Alabama, 7:05 p.m.
*Denver at North Texas, 7:05 p.m.

**January 14**
*New Mexico State at Florida International, 6 p.m.

**January 16**
*New Orleans at Western Kentucky, 7 p.m.
*South Alabama at Middle Tennessee, 7 p.m.
*Arkansas-Little Rock at North Texas, 7:05 p.m.
*Arkansas State at Denver, 8 p.m.

### *Sun Belt Conference Tournament*

The Sun Belt Conference Tournament is slated for March 7-11 at Diddle Arena in Bowling Green, KY. The event combines the men's and women's tournament at one site and all 11 teams from the league will participate. Ticket packages are available through the Western Kentucky ticket office by calling (270) 745-5222.

### *Blue Raider Ticket Information*

Single game tickets are available for purchase through the Middle Tennessee Ticket Office. Single game tickets are $8 and may be purchased by calling the ticket office at (615) 898-2103 or 1-888-YES-MTSU.

### *GoBlueRaiders.com*

Middle Tennessee basketball statistics and notes are available 24-hours a day, seven days a week on GoBlueRaiders.com. Media are invited to use the official web site for Middle Tennessee athletics for information regarding all Blue Raider athletic teams. Aside from basketball related materials, feature stories, game previews and wrap-ups, stats, and notes are available for every athletic team.

### *2002-03 Raider Ratings*

| | *Sagarin* | *RPI* |
|---|---|---|
| Final 01-02 | 199 | 206 |
| Nov. 18 | 226 | No Poll |
| Nov. 25 | 244 | No Poll |
| Dec. 2 | 242 | No Poll |
| Dec. 9 | 193 | No Poll |
| Dec. 16 | 193 | No Poll |

## *MT Under Davis*

| | Overall | 02-03 |
|---|---|---|
| Overall Record | 4-7 | 4-7 |
| Home | 3-3 | 3-3 |
| Away | 0-4 | 0-4 |
| Neutral | 1-0 | 1-0 |
| vs. Sun Belt | 0-0 | 0-0 |
| Home | 0-0 | 0-0 |
| Away | 0-0 | 0-0 |
| Tourney | 0-0 | 0-0 |
| Nonconference | 4-7 | 4-7 |
| Home | 3-3 | 3-3 |
| Away | 0-4 | 0-4 |
| Neutral | 1-0 | 1-0 |
| In Overtime | 0-1 | 0-1 |
| Leading at the Half | 3-2 | 3-2 |
| Leading with 5:00 Left | 2-2 | 2-2 |
| vs. Ranked Opponents | 0-1 | 0-1 |
| In Televised Games | 0-1 | 0-1 |
| MT Shoots >50% | 4-1 | 4-1 |
| MT Shoots <50% | 0-6 | 0-6 |
| Opponent Shoots >50% | 0-2 | 0-2 |
| Opponent Shoots <50% | 4-5 | 4-5 |
| MT Shoots Better than Opp. | 4-1 | 4-1 |
| MT Outrebounds Opp. | 4-4 | 4-4 |
| Opp. Outrebounds MT | 0-3 | 0-3 |
| MT Attempts More FTs | 2-2 | 2-2 |
| Opp. Attempts More FTs | 2-5 | 2-5 |
| In November | 1-3 | 1-3 |
| In December | 3-4 | 3-4 |
| In January | 0-0 | 0-0 |
| In February | 0-0 | 0-0 |
| In March | 0-0 | 0-0 |
| In April | 0-0 | 0-0 |
| Final Margin 10 or less pts. | 3-4 | 3-4 |
| Final Margin > 20 points | 0-1 | 0-1 |
| MT Scores < 60 points | 0-2 | 0-2 |
| MT Scores 60+ points | 2-3 | 2-3 |
| MT Scores 70+ points | 0-2 | 0-2 |
| MT Scores 80+ points | 1-0 | 1-0 |
| MT Scores 90+ points | 0-0 | 0-0 |
| MT Scores 100+ points | 0-0 | 0-0 |

## *TRACKING THE BLUE RAIDERS*

| Opponent | Largest Lead | Largest Deficit | Best Run | Opp. Run | Deflections | Record |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| East Carolina | 7 | 4 | 11-2 | 8-0 | 7 | 0-1 |
| at Alabama | 1 | 22 | 9-2 | 9-0 | 7 | 0-2 |
| UT Martin | 12 | 9 | 10-0 | 11-0 | 9 | 1-2 |
| at UNCG | 3 | 17 | 6-0 | 20-3 | 6 | 1-3 |
| Tenn. Tech | 13 | 4 | 14-3 | 11-0 | 9 | 1-4 |
| at Purdue | 4 | 33 | 5-0 | 15-0 | 9 | 1-5 |
| IUPUI | 15 | 4 | 13-0 | 12-0 | 9 | 2-5 |
| Murray State | 6 | 12 | 12-4 | 11-0 | 7 | 2-6 |
| Christian Bros. | 19 | 0 | 14-0 | 7-1 | 8 | 3-6 |
| at Austin Peay | 11 | 8 | 14-4 | 13-2 | 7 | 3-7 |
| Kennesaw State | 6 | 14 | 18-3 | 13-2 | 6 | 4-7 |
| at Murray State | | | | | | |
| Western Ky. | | | | | | |
| at Ark. State | | | | | | |
| at UALR | | | | | | |
| South Alabama | | | | | | |
| New Orleans | | | | | | |
| at NMSU | | | | | | |
| at UL-Lafayette | | | | | | |
| IPFW | | | | | | |
| FIU | | | | | | |
| North Texas | | | | | | |
| at Denver | | | | | | |
| Ark. State | | | | | | |
| UALR | | | | | | |
| at FIU | | | | | | |
| at Western Ky. | | | | | | |

# Kermit Davis

**Head Coach ✍Mississippi State, 1982 ✍First Season ✍4-7 (.364)**

The objective was clear when Middle Tennessee athletic director Boots Donnelly set out to hire the school's 19th men's basketball coach – find the person that could lead the program back to its past glory and once again contend for conference titles and NCAA appearances.

On April 12, 2002, Donnelly introduced Kermit Davis, Jr., as the man to do just that.

"I wanted to bring someone in here that wanted to be here, not just to be a head coach, but who wanted to take over our program," Donnelly stated. "I wanted a person that believed very, very strongly in discipline, because that's the process that gets it all started. I wanted a heck of a recruiter, and I also wanted a teacher. I think we fulfilled every one of those things with Kemit Davis, Jr."

Davis brings the credentials that Donnelly was seeking along with him to Middle Tennessee. He has shown throughout his career the ability to rebuild programs and put them on the national map in a hurry. He has displayed success at every stop along his career track and has done so with a hard-nosed style of defense, uptempo offensive play, and a work ethic that is second-to-none.

"One thing our team will do is play with a great deal of energy," Davis stated. "We would like to play a hard-nosed, aggressive style that our fans will enjoy watching night in and night out. We're going to share and value the basketball, rebound on both ends, and attempt to get a quality shot on each possession."

Davis' strategic knowledge isn't his only weapon in building a competitive program. The Blue Raider skipper has long been known as an outstanding recruiter that is willing to go after the nation's top talent. His recruits value character, have a high level of toughness, and have a desire to obtain a college degree. He is committed to landing the state's top prospects as well as reaching out to the best players in the region and in the country.

"Our state has produced some outstanding players over the years, and we are going to be very aggressive in our approach to keeping those players at home," said Davis. "The quality of high school and junior college coaching in our state is excellent and we would like to be an extension of the parents and the coach when those student-athletes come to our campus."

Davis comes to Middle Tennessee after spending the past five seasons as the associate head coach at Louisiana State University under head coach John Brady. Prior to Davis' arrival with Brady at LSU, the Tigers had been languishing near the bottom of the Southeastern Conference.

It didn't take long for the team's fortunes to change. After two seasons of putting the pieces together, the Tigers captured the SEC title in 2000 and went on to an appearance in the NCAA Tournament's Sweet 16. The Tigers returned to the post season in 2002 with a trip to the National Invitational Tournament. In the three years immediately preceeding Davis' arrival in Murfreesboro, LSU averaged 20-plus wins per season.

Davis said of his time with the Tigers, "I enjoyed five years at LSU working with a close friend and one of the outstanding coaches in college basketball in John Brady."

Prior to coming to LSU, Davis spent one season as the head coach at the University of Idaho. However, his stint with the Vandals was his second tour of duty in Moscow. He also served as the school's head coach from 1988-1990. During his three years as the head coach at Idaho, he compiled a record of 63-29, the best three-year total in the program's history. Davis posted two of the best single season tallies in school history during his first two seasons at Idaho as well, turning in 25-6 marks in both of those seasons.

His Idaho squad won the Big Sky championship in 1989 and went on to capture the league's tournament crown and a berth into the NCAA Tournament as well. For his efforts Davis was named the Big Sky Coach of the Year at the conclusion of the season.

History repeated itself in 1990 when Davis once again led the Vandals to the Big Sky title in both the regular season and tournament, garnering another NCAA berth.

In fact, Davis himself made history when he became the Vandals' head coach in 1988. Upon his hiring, Davis became the youngest Division I head coach in the nation at age 28.

However, it was not the first time that Davis had been the youngest coach in the country. When Davis took the head coaching position at Southwest Mississippi Junior College in 1984, he became the youngest junior college coach in the nation at age 24. His youth served him well at Southwest Mississippi, putting together a 39-20 record in two seasons. His 1986 squad won 22 games, posting the school's first 20-win season in 17 years.

His success at the junior college level landed him a spot on Tim Floyd's staff at Idaho, where he served as an assistant for two years prior to taking the reigns of the Vandal program.

After spending the 1988-89 and 1989-90 seasons at Idaho, Davis went on to become the head coach at Texas A&M for the 1990-91 campaign.

From Texas A&M, Davis moved to serve as the associate head coach at Chipola Junior College for two seasons before ascending to the top spot for the 1993-94 campaign.

During his season as the team's head coach, Chipola finished the season ranked #4 in the national polls and posted a 27-5 record, giving the team the second-most wins in school history.

Davis headed to Utah State as the team's associate head coach from 1994-96. At Utah State, Davis coached under current Iowa State head coach Larry Eustachy and the pair combined to win the Big West Championship in 1995.

His Utah State tenure ended with his return to Idaho as the Vandals' head coach and the rest is history.

Davis' rapid ascent up the coaching ladder is no coincidence. Davis has been around the game for his entire life as he grew up watching one of the preeminent coaches in the country operate on a daily basis.

Kermit Davis, Sr., Davis' father, was one of the most respected college coaches in the nation and the younger Davis spent many hours around his dad in the gym and even on the bench during games.

Upon the completion of his playing career, Davis began his coaching career at his alma mater. He served as a graduate assistant on Bob Boyd's staff at Mississippi State from 1982-84.

Davis earned his bachelor's degree from Mississippi State in 1982 and went on to receive his master's degree from Mississippi State in 1984.

Davis, a native of Leakesville, Miss., and his wife Betty have two daughters, Ally (14) and Claire (10).

## Noting Davis

**Overall DI record:** 75-56

First win at MT came at home against UT Martin 87-77 on Nov. 27, 2002.

Was the youngest JC head coach in the country when he took over at Southwest (MS) JC at age 24.

Was the youngest Div. I head coach in the nation when he took over at Idaho at age 28.

Has an overall record af **141-82** as a head coach including his junior college record.

Has worked for Tim Floyd (former Chicago Bulls coach), Larry Eustachy (Iowa State), and John Brady (LSU) during his career.

# NOTING THE BLUE RAIDERS

## 1 Keith Connor 6-0 190 Jr.

Scored 13 points in VASDA exhibition on 4-of-6 3-point shooting
Dished out six assists with only one turnover in exhibitions
Scored 10 points against East Carolina
DIshed out four assists with no assists against Kennesaw State
**Career Double Figure Scoring Games:** 1
**Career Double Figure Rebounding Games:** 0
**Games Led MT in Scoring:** 0
**Games Led MT in Rebounding:** 0
**Games with 20+ points:** 0
**Double-Doubles:** 0

## 3 William Pippen 6-8 215 Sr.

Led team with 20 points in Global Sports exhibition
Averaged 13.5 points per game in exhibitions
Posted six rebounds against East Carolina
Paced team with eight rebounds against #4 Alabama
Scored 15 points with seven rebounds a a team-high three assists against UT Martin
Tallied 13 points against UNC-Greensboro
Led MT with 15 points off the bench against Tennessee Tech
Was the Blue Raiders' leading scorer with 10 points vs. Purdue
Posted first career double-double with 18 points and 10 rebounds against IUPUI
Named to the Boilermaker invitational All-Tournament Team
Led the Blue Raiders with six rebounds against Murray State
Ripped Christian Brothers with a career-best 32 points and also led the squad in rebounding with seven
Bucketed 14 points and a team-high five rebounds against Austin Peay
Led team with 15 points and seven rebounds in comeback win over Kennesaw State
**Career Double Figure Scoring Games:** 19
**Career Double Figure Rebounding Games:** 1
**Games Led MT in Scoring:** 9
**Games Led MT in Rebounding:** 9
**Games with 20+ points:** 4
**Double-Doubles:** 1

## 4 Steven Jackson 6-6 215 Jr.

Averaged 7.5 boards in exhibition games
Scored 14 points in 27 minutes against VASDA
Played career high 25 minutes against ECU
Turned in career high 15 points and five rebounds against #4 Alabama
Tallied a career high six rebounds to lead the Blue Raiders on the boards against Purdue
Made first start of the season against Christian Brothers.
**Career Double Figure Scoring Games:** 2
**Career Double Figure Rebounding Games:** 0
**Games Led MT in Scoring:** 0
**Games Led MT in Rebounding:** 1
**Games with 20+ points:** 0
**Double-Doubles:** 0

## 11 Eric Parham 5-11 175 Sr.

Started exhibition against Global Sports
Dished out a team-high four assists against Tennessee Tech
Equaled his career best with six rebounds to pace the Blue Raiders against Purdue.
Scored 14 points in his first start of the season against Murray State
Netted 11 points and a team-high six assists against Austin Peay
**Career Double Figure Scoring Games:** 8
**Career Double Figure Rebounding Games:** 0
**Games Led MT in Scoring:** 1
**Games Led MT in Rebounding:** 0
**Games with 20+ points:** 2
**Double-Doubles:** 0

## 12 Marcus Robinson 6-3 185 Jr.

Scored 10 points in VASDA exhibition
Played point guard for first time in career against #4 Alabama
Tallied first career double-figure scoring game with 10 points against UT Martin
Set new career high with 11 points against Murray State
Made second start of the season against Christian Brothers, turning in a career-high four assists
**Career Double Figure Scoring Games:** 2
**Career Double Figure Rebounding Games:** 0
**Games Led MT in Scoring:** 0
**Games Led MT in Rebounding:** 0
**Games with 20+ points:** 0
**Double-Doubles:** 0

## 23 Derek Glasper 6-3 205 r-Jr.

Returning after missing most of last season with a knee injury
Averaged 6.5 points in exhbition games
Missed season opener with ECU due to sprained ankle
Scored five points in 14 minutes in season debut vs. Purdue
**Career Double Figure Scoring Games:** 0
**Career Double Figure Rebounding Games:** 0
**Games Led MT in Scoring:** 0
**Games Led MT in Rebounding:** 0
**Games with 20+ points:** 0
**Double-Doubles:** 0

# NOTING THE BLUE RAIDERS

## 32 Tommy Gunn 6-3 ✍ 205 ✍ Jr.

Led team with a 14.0 average in exhbition games
Preseason Third Team All-Sun Belt
Scored 14 points against East Carolina
Netted 14 points and team high eight boards against #4 Alabama
Turned in career highs in points (29), field goals (10), and 3-pointers (5) against UT Martin
Posted 12 points and grabbed six rebounds against UNCG
Tallied 14 points in win over IUPUI
Paced the team with 19 points against Murray State
Scored 16 points on 5-of-6 shooting against Christian Brothers
Turned in his second 20-point game of the season with 21 against Austin Peay; also led team with five boards
Came off the bench to score 12 points against Kennesaw State

**Career Double Figure Scoring Games:** 41
**Career Double Figure Rebounding Games:** 0
**Games Led MT in Scoring:** 15
**Games Led MT in Rebounding:** 8
**Games with 20+ points:** 6
**Double-Doubles:** 0

## 34 Bryant Mitchell 6-7 ✍ 215 ✍ Sr.

Saw limited action in exhbitions with recurring knee problem
Scored 11 points and grabbed six boards in first start of the season against Tennessee Tech
Paced the Blue Raiders with seven rebounds against Christian Brothers

**Career Double Figure Scoring Games:** 12
**Career Double Figure Rebounding Games:** 2
**Games Led MT in Scoring:** 2
**Games Led MT in Rebounding:** 15
**Games with 20+ points:** 0
**Double-Doubles:** 1

## 35 John Humphrey 6-2 ✍ 210 ✍ Sr.

Averaged 11 points and 6 boards in exhibition games
Paced the Blue Raiders with 16 points and seven rebounds off the bench against East Carolina.
Posted career high eight boards and scored 10 points against UTM
Turned in first career double-double with 14 points and 12 rebounds against Tennessee Tech
Scored 12 points on 4-of-5 shooting from behind the arc vs. IUPUI

**Career Double Figure Scoring Games:** 14
**Career Double Figure Rebounding Games:** 1
**Games Led MT in Scoring:** 4
**Games Led MT in Rebounding:** 3
**Games with 20+ points:** 1
**Double-Doubles:** 1

## 40 Napoleon Rhodes 6-8 ✍ 240 ✍ Jr.

Turned in a double-double with 10 points and 13 boards in VASDA exhibition in first extended action of the year
Made first career start against East Carolina
Grabbed six boards against UT Martin
Became first player since 1993 to grab 20 rebounds against UNCG; also scored a season-high 16 points.
Tallied second straight double figure scoring game with 12 points against Tennessee Tech
Netted 12 points against Kennesaw State

**Career Double Figure Scoring Games:** 3
**Career Double Figure Rebounding Games:** 1
**Games Led MT in Scoring:** 1
**Games Led MT in Rebounding:** 1
**Games with 20+ points:** 0
**Double-Doubles:** 1

## 44 Kyle Young 6-9 ✍ 195 ✍ Fr.

Will miss first six weeks of season with stress fracture in foot

**Career Double Figure Scoring Games:** 0
**Career Double Figure Rebounding Games:** 0
**Games Led MT in Scoring:** 0
**Games Led MT in Rebounding:** 0
**Games with 20+ points:** 0
**Double-Doubles:** 0

## 50 Demario Watson 6-8 ✍ 225 ✍ r-Sr.

Returning after a redshirt season
Returned to the lineup against Murray State after missing the first seven games of the season due to a knee injury
Earned first career start against Austin Peay

**Career Double Figure Scoring Games:** 2
**Career Double Figure Rebounding Games:** 0
**Games Led MT in Scoring:** 1
**Games Led MT in Rebounding:** 0
**Games with 20+ points:** 0
**Double-Doubles:** 0

# INDIVIDUAL CAREER HIGHS

| Player | Points | Rebounds | Field Goals | FG Attempts | 3-pt. FG | 3-pt. FG Att. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Connor | 10, vs. ECU (11/22/02) | 6, vs. UT Martin (11/27/02) | 3, vs. ECU (11/22/02) | 8, vs. Purdue (12/6/02) | 2, twice | 5, twice |
| Glasper | 5, twice | 3, vs. ECU (12/20/01) | 2, vs. Purdue (12/6/02) | 6, vs. Purdue (12/6/02) | 1, twice | 3, vs. Purdue (12/6/02) |
| Gunn | 29, vs. UT Martin (11/27/02) | 8, four times | 10, vs. UT Martin (11/27/02) | 18, vs. NMSU (1/10/02) | 5, vs. UT Martin (11/27/02) | 8, vs. Belmont (11/26/01) |
| Humphrey | 26, vs. Western KY (2/23/02) | 12, vs. Tenn. Tech (12/4/02) | 9, vs. Western KY (2/23/02) | 16, vs. Western KY (2/23/02) | 8, vs. Western KY (2/23/02) | 12, vs. Western KY (2/23/02) |
| Jackson | 15, vs. Alabama (11/25/02) | 6, vs. Purdue (12/6/02) | 7, vs. Alabama (11/25/02) | 9, vs. Alabama (11/25/02) | 3, vs. FIU (2/2/02) | 4, three times |
| Mitchell | 17, vs. North Texas (1/6/01) | 11, twice | 7, twice | 13, vs. North Texas (1/6/01) | 1, three times | 3, vs. Ark. State (1/4/01) |
| Parham | 20, twice | 6, three times | 8, vs. North Texas (1/19/02) | 12, vs. NMSU (1/10/02) | 3, vs. Tenn. State (12/8/01) | 6, twice |
| Pippen | 32, vs. Christian Bros. (12/18/02) | 10, vs. IUPUI (12/7/02) | 14, vs. Christian Bros. (12/18/02) | 17, twice | 4, vs. Tenn. State (12/8/01) | 10, vs. Tenn. State (12/8/01) |
| Rhodes | 16, vs UNCG (11/30/02) | 20, vs UNCG (11/30/02) | 6, vs UNCG (11/30/02) | 8, vs UNCG (11/30/02) | 0 | 0 |
| Robinson | 11, vs. Murray St. (12/16/02) | 5, vs. Alabama (11/25/02) | 4, vs. Murray St. (12/16/02) | 6, Twice | 2, twice | 3, four times |
| Watson | 14, vs. Tennessee (12/25/00) | 6, vs. Tennessee (12/25/00) | 6, twice | 8, vs. Tennessee (12/25/00) | 0 | 0 |
| Young | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| Player | Free Throws | FT Attempts | Assists | Steals | Blocks | Minutes Played |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Connor | 2, Twice | 2, Four times | 4, twice | 2, twice | 0 | 33, vs. ECU (11/22/02) |
| Glasper | 2, vs. UTPA (12/15/01) | 4, vs. UTPA (12/15/01) | 1, vs. UTPA (12/15/01) | 0 | 0 | 14, vs. Purdue (12/6/02) |
| Gunn | 9, vs. NMSU 1/10/02 | 10, vs. NMSU 1/10/02 | 5, four times | 5, vs. Bryan (11/17/01) | 2, vs. Western KY (1/16/02) | 48, vs. NMSU 1/10/02 |
| Humphrey | 6, vs. UALR (1/26/02) | 6, twice | 2, Four times | 4, vs. UT Martin (11/27/02) | 3, vs. IUPUI (11/21/01) | 31, vs. WKU (2/23/02) |
| Jackson | 4, vs. Purdue (12/6/02) | 7, vs. Purdue (12/6/02) | 2, six times | 1, four times | 1, twice | 23, vs. ECU (11/22/02) |
| Mitchell | 4, vs. Kansas (11/27/02) | 7, vs. Ark. State (2/10/01) | 3, twice | 3, twice | 3, vs. NMSU (2/22/01) | 31, twice |
| Parham | 4, vs. IPFW (1/31/02) | 5, vs. APSU (12/21/02) | 11, twice | 4, twice | 1, twice | 38, vs. APSU (12/21/01) |
| Pippen | 4, vs. Radford (12/1/01) | 5, vs. IUPUI (11/21/01) | 6, vs. Bryan (11/17/01) | 6, vs. Rice (12/4/01) | 2, vs. Radford (12/1/01) | 40, vs. NMSU (1/10/02) |
| Rhodes | 8, vs. Tenn. Tech (12/4/02) | 10, twice | 4, vs. Christian Bros. (12/18/02) | 1, twice | 0 | 34, vs UNCG (11/30/02) |
| Robinson | 5, vs. UT Martin (11/27/02) | 6, twice | 2, Three times | 0 | 0 | 29, vs UNCG (11/30/02) |
| Watson | 3, vs. Ark. State (1/4/01) | 4, vs. Ark. State (1/4/01) | 1, four times | 1, vs. UALR (1/29/01) | 2, vs. St. Francis (11/17/00) | 20, vs. UALR (1/29/01) |
| Young | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

# INDIVIDUAL SUPERLATIVES

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **POINTS** | 32 | Pippen, William vs. Christian Brothers (12/18/02) |
| **FIELD GOALS MADE** | 14 | Pippen, William vs. Christian Brothers (12/18/02) |
| **FIELD GOAL ATT** | 16 | Twice |
| **FG PCT (min 5 made)** | .875 (14-16) | Pippen, William vs. Christian Brothers (12/18/02) |
| **3 PT FG MADE** | 5 | Gunn, Tommy vs UT Martin (11/27/02) |
| **3 PT FG ATTEMPTS** | 7 | Gunn, Tommy at University Of Alabama (11/25/02) |
| **3-PT FG PCT (min 2 made)** | 1.000 (3-3) | Gunn, Tommy vs. Christian Brothers (12/18/02) |
| **FREE THROWS MADE** | 5 | Robinson, Marcus vs UT Martin (11/27/02) |
| **FREE THROW ATT** | 6 | Robinson, Marcus vs UT Martin (11/27/02) |
| **REBOUNDS** | 20 | Rhodes, Napoleon vs UNC-Greensboro (11/30/02) |
| **ASSISTS** | 6 | Parham, Eric vs. Austin Peay (12/21/02) |
| **STEALS** | 4 | Humphrey, John vs UT Martin (11/27/02) |
| **BLOCKED SHOTS** | 2 | Humphrey, John vs UT Martin (11/27/02) |
| **TURNOVERS** | 9 | Eric Parham vs. Purdue (12/6/02) |

# GAME-BY-GAME LEADERS

| *Opponent* | *Result* | *Points* | *Rebounds* | *Assists* | *Steals* | *Blocks* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| East Carolina | L, 63-65 | Humphrey (16) | Humphrey (7) | Jackson, Robinson (2) | Connor, Gunn (2) | Gunn (1) |
| Alabama | L, 65-80 | Jackson (15) | Pippen, Gunn (8) | Pippen, Connor (3) | Connor, Gunn (2) | Pippen, Gunn (1) |
| UT Martin | W, 87-77 | Gunn (29) | Humphrey (8) | Gunn (3) | Humphrey (4) | Humphrey (2) |
| UNC Greensboro | L, 58-70 | Rhodes (16) | Rhodes (20) | Gunn, Pippen (2) | Three with (1) | Humphrey (1) |
| Tennessee Tech | L, 66-70 | Pippen (15) | Humphrey (12) | Parham (4) | Six with (1) | Gunn, Pippen (1) |
| at Purdue | L, 56-85 | Pippen (10) | Jackson, Parham (6) | Connor (4) | Gunn, Pippen (2) | Gunn, Humphrey (1) |
| IUPUI | W, 64-60 | Pippen (18) | Pippen (10) | Connor (5) | Three with (1) | Pippen, Mitchell (1) |
| Murray State | L, 72-79 | Gunn (19) | Pippen (6) | Parham (4) | Humphrey (2) | Gunn (1) |
| Christian Bros. | W, 74-57 | Pippen (32) | Pippen, Mitchell (7) | Robinson (4) | Pippen (2) | Pippen, Mitchell (1) |
| Austin Peay | L, 71-79 (OT) | Gunn (21) | Pippen, Gunn (5) | Parham (6) | Pippen, Gunn (2) | None (0) |
| Kennesaw State | W, 66-62 | Pippen (15) | Pippen (7) | Connor (4) | Humphrey (2) | Pippen (1) |
| Murray State | | | | | | |
| Western Kentucky | | | | | | |
| Arkansas State | | | | | | |
| UALR | | | | | | |
| South Alabama | | | | | | |
| New Orleans | | | | | | |
| New Mexico St. | | | | | | |
| UL-Lafayette | | | | | | |
| IPFW | | | | | | |
| Florida International | | | | | | |
| North Texas | | | | | | |
| Denver | | | | | | |
| Arkansas State | | | | | | |
| UALR | | | | | | |
| Florida International | | | | | | |
| Western Kentucky | | | | | | |

# TEAM HIGHS AND LOWS

## MIDDLE TENNESSEE HIGHS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **POINTS** | 87 | vs UT Martin (11/27/02) |
| **FG MADE** | 30 | Twice |
| **FG ATTEMPTS** | 66 | at Alabama(11/25/02) |
| **FG PCT.** | .556 (30-54) | vs Christian Bros. (12/18/02) |
| **3FG MADE** | 10 | vs. Austin Peay (12/21/02) |
| **3FG ATT.** | 23 | at Alabama(11/25/02) |
| **3FG PCT.** | .455 (10-22) | vs. Austin Peay (12/21/02) |
| **FT MADE** | 19 | vs UT Martin (11/27/02) |
| **FT ATT.** | 28 | at UNCG (11/30/02) |
| **FT PCT.** | .846 (11-13) | vs. Murray State (12/16/02) |
| **REBOUNDS** | 43 | vs UT Martin (11/27/02) |
| **ASSISTS** | 15 | vs UT Martin (11/27/02) |
| **STEALS** | 8 | vs. Austin Peay (12/21/02) |
| **BLOCKS** | 2 | Five times |
| **TURNOVERS** | 24 | vs. Tenn. Tech (12/4/02) |
| **FOULS** | 29 | at Purdue (12/6/02) |

## OPPONENT HIGHS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **POINTS** | 85 | at Purdue (12/6/02) |
| **FG MADE** | 31 | vs. Murray State (12/16/02) |
| **FG ATT.** | 71 | vs UT Martin (11/27/02) |
| **FG PCT.** | .565 (27-48) | vs. Austin Peay (12/21/02) |
| **3FG MADE** | 12 | vs UT Martin (11/27/02) |
| **3FG ATT.** | 36 | vs UT Martin (11/27/02) |
| **3FG PCT.** | .444 (8-18) | vs. Austin Peay (12/21/02) |
| **FT MADE** | 25 | Twice |
| **FT ATT.** | 34 | at Purdue (12/6/02) |
| **FT PCT.** | .789 (15-19) | at UNCG (11/30/02) |
| **REBOUNDS** | 41 | vs. Tenn. Tech (12/4/02) |
| **ASSISTS** | 18 | vs. Austin Peay (12/21/02) |
| **STEALS** | 15 | vs. Kennesaw St. (12/27/02) |
| **BLOCKS** | 7 | Twice |
| **TURNOVERS** | 22 | Twice |
| **FOULS** | 25 | vs. Tenn. Tech (12/4/02) |

## MIDDLE TENNESSEE LOWS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **POINTS** | 56 | at Purdue (12/6/02) |
| **FG MADE** | 20 | Twice |
| **FG ATT.** | 43 | vs. Kennesaw St. (12/27/02) |
| **FG PCT.** | .364 (20-55) | at UNCG (11/30/02) |
| **3FG MADE** | 4 | at UNCG (11/30/02) |
| **3FG ATT.** | 17 | at Purdue (12/6/02) |
| **3FG PCT.** | .190 (4-21) | at UNCG (11/30/02) |
| **FT MADE** | 7 | vs. Austin Peay (12/21/02) |
| **FT ATT.** | 10 | at Alabama (11/25/02) |
| **FT PCT.** | .500 (14-28) | at UNCG (11/30/02) |
| **REBOUNDS** | 28 | vs. Murray State (12/16/02) |
| **ASSISTS** | 6 | vs ECU (11/22/02) |
| **STEALS** | 3 | at UNCG (11/30/02) |
| **BLOCKS** | 0 | vs. Austin Peay (12/21/02) |
| **TURNOVERS** | 14 | vs. IUPUI (12/7/02) |
| **FOULS** | 15 | vs. Murray State (12/16/02) |

## OPPONENT LOWS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **POINTS** | 57 | vs Christian Bros. (12/18/02) |
| **FG MADE** | 20 | Twice |
| **FG ATT.** | 48 | Twice |
| **FG PCT.** | .400 (24-60) | at UNCG (11/30/02) |
| **3FG MADE** | 4 | Twice |
| **3FG ATT.** | 12 | vs Christian Bros. (12/18/02) |
| **3FG PCT.** | .231(6-26) | vs. Kennesaw St. (12/27/02) |
| **FT MADE** | 7 | Twice |
| **FT ATTEMPTS** | 12 | Three times |
| **FT PCT.** | .538 (7-13) | vs UT Martin (11/27/02) |
| **REBOUNDS** | 20 | vs Christian Bros. (12/18/02) |
| **ASSISTS** | 5 | vs Christian Bros. (12/18/02) |
| **STEALS** | 3 | Twice |
| **BLOCKS** | 0 | vs Christian Bros. (12/18/02) |
| **TURNOVERS** | 11 | Twice |
| **FOULS** | 13 | at Alabama (11/25/02) |

## The Last Time a Blue Raider ...

**Scored 30+ Points**
William Pippen vs Christian Brothers (32) 12/18/02
**Scored 40+ Points**
Milton Dean (41) vs. Southeast Missouri 1/14/94
**Grabbed 15+ Rebounds**
Lee Nosse vs. New Mexico State (15) 1/10/02
**Grabbed 20+ Rebounds**
Napoleon Rhodes vs. UNCG (20) 11/30/02
**Made 5+ Three-pointers**
Tommy Gunn vs. UT Martin (5) 11/27/02
**Tallied 10+ Assists**
Eric Parham vs. Florida International (11) 2/2/02
**Had a Double-Double**
William Pippen vs. IUPUI (18 points, 10 rebounds) 12/6/02

## The Last Time the Blue Raiders ...

**Scored 100+ Points**
vs. Bryan College (115-59) 11/17/01
**Allowed 100+ Points**
vs. Tennessee Tech (108-104) 2/12/00
**Scored 50 or Less Points**
vs. New Mexico State (45) 1/'10/02
**Held a Team Under 50 Points**
vs. South Alabama (47) 3/1/02
**Shot Better Than 55%**
vs. Christian Brothers (55.6%) 12/18/02
**Held Opponent Under 40%**
vs. Tennessee Tech (37.0%)
**Beat an Opponent by 20+ Points**
vs. Bryan College (+56) 11/17/02
**Had 45+ Rebounds**
vs. New Mexico State (48) 1/10/02
**Had 20+ Assists**
vs. Bryan College (29) 11/17/02

# MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS

***Starting Lineups (Record)***
1. Connor, Humphrey, Gunn, Pippen, Rhodes (2-1)
2. Connor, Robinson, Gunn, Pippen, Rhodes (0-2)
3. Connor, Humphrey, Gunn, Mitchell, Rhodes (0-2)
4. Parham, Gunn, Humphrey, Pippen, Rhodes (0-1)
5. Parham, Gunn, Robinson, Jackson, Mitchell (1-0)
6. Parham, Gunn, Robinson, Pippen, Watson (0-1)
7. Parham, Robinson, Humphrey, Pippen, Rhodes (1-0)

***Games Led MT in Scoring****

| | |
|---|---|
| Pippen | 5 |
| Gunn | 3 |
| Humphrey | 1 |
| Jackson | 1 |
| Rhodes | 1 |

***Games Led MT in Rebounding****

| | |
|---|---|
| Pippen | 6 |
| Humphrey | 3 |
| Gunn | 2 |
| Mitchell | 1 |
| Rhodes | 1 |
| Jackson | 1 |
| Parham | 1 |

***Games Led MT in Assists****

| | |
|---|---|
| Parham | 3 |
| Connor | 3 |
| Jackson | 2 |
| Pippen | 2 |
| Gunn | 2 |
| Robinson | 2 |

*(includes games when 2 or more tied for team lead)*

***Double Figure Scoring Games***

| | |
|---|---|
| Pippen | 9 |
| Gunn | 9 |
| Humphrey | 4 |
| Rhodes | 3 |
| Robinson | 2 |
| Parham | 2 |
| Connor | 1 |
| Jackson | 1 |
| Mitchell | 1 |

***20-Point Games***

| | |
|---|---|
| Gunn | 2 |

**30-Point Games**

| | |
|---|---|
| Pippen | 1 |

***Double Figure Rebound Games***

| | |
|---|---|
| Rhodes | 1 |
| Humphrey | 1 |
| Pippen | 1 |

***Double-Doubles***

| | |
|---|---|
| Rhodes | 1 |
| Humphrey | 1 |
| Pippen | 1 |

***Charges Drawn***

| | |
|---|---|
| Humphrey | 4 |
| Pippen | 4 |
| Parham | 3 |
| Parham | 2 |
| **Total** | **13** |

***Floor Burns***

| | |
|---|---|
| Connor | 5 |
| Pippen | 5 |
| Gunn | 5 |
| Rhodes | 4 |
| Jackson | 4 |
| Parham | 2 |
| Humphrey | 2 |
| Robinson | 1 |
| **Total** | **28** |

***Dunks***

| | |
|---|---|
| Humphrey | 9 |
| Gunn | 8 |
| Pippen | 3 |
| **Total** | **20** |

***Bench Scoring***

| | |
|---|---|
| Opponents | 202 |
| MT | 237 |

***Technical Fouls***

| | |
|---|---|
| Opponents | 1 |
| MT | 2 |

***Technical Foul Free Throws***

| | |
|---|---|
| Opponents | 1-4 |
| MT | 2-2 |

***Jump Balls Controlled***

| | |
|---|---|
| Opponents | 9 |
| MT | 3 |

***Lane Violations***

| | |
|---|---|
| Opponents | 1 |
| MT | 0 |

***Shot Clock Violations***

| | |
|---|---|
| Opponents | 0 |
| MT | 8 |

***10-Second Violations***

| | |
|---|---|
| Opponents | 1 |
| MT | 1 |

***Middle Tennessee's First Sub***

| | |
|---|---|
| Jackson | 3 |
| Robinson | 2 |
| Mitchell | 2 |
| Pippen | 2 |
| Rhodes | 1 |
| Glasper | 1 |

***Scored MT's First Points***

| | |
|---|---|
| Rhodes | 3 |
| Gunn | 2 |
| Mitchell | 2 |
| Robinson | 2 |
| Pippen | 1 |
| Parham | 1 |

## *This 'N' That*

| | |
|---|---|
| Middle Tennessee's All-Time Record | 904-868 (.510) |
| Middle Tennessee's All-Time NCAA Record | 2-6 (6 appearances) |
| Consecutive Games with a 3PT Field Goal | 198 |
| Consecutive Games Holding Opponent Under 100 Pts | 69 |
| 100-Point Games in MTSU History | 63 |
| 100-Point Games Under Davis | 0 |
| MT's Record vs Top 25 Teams under Davis | 0-1 |
| MT's Record from 1913-30 | 73-37 (.664) |
| MT's Record from 1931-40 | 49-80 (.380) |
| MT's Record from 1941-50 | 69-68 (.504) |
| MT's Record from 1951-60 | 103-145 (.415) |
| MT's Record from 1961-70 | 101-133 (.432) |
| MT's Record from 1971-80 | 162-105 (.607) |
| MT's Record from 1981-90 | 178-120 (.597) |
| MT's Record from 1991-00 | 146-135 (.520) |
| MT's Record from 2001-Present | 23-43 (.348) |

## *Middle Tennessee Record When*

| | |
|---|---|
| Controlling the Tip | 2-1 |
| Scoring First | 4-4 |
| Leading at Half | 3-2 |
| Trailing at Half | 1-5 |
| Tied at Half | 0-0 |
| Leading with 5:00 Left | 2-3 |
| Trailing with 5:00 Left | 2-4 |
| Tied with 5:00 Left | 0-0 |
| In Overtime | 0-1 |
| When MT Outrebounds Opponent | 4-4 |
| When MT is Outrebounded | 0-3 |
| When Rebounds are Even | 0-0 |
| When MT Commits More Turnovers | 4-5 |
| When Opponent Commits More Turnovers | 0-1 |
| When Turnovers are the Same | 0-1 |
| When MT Has More Free Throw Attempts | 2-2 |
| When Opponent Has More Free Throw Attempts | 2-5 |
| When Free Throw Attempts are the Same | 0-0 |
| When MT Shoots 50 Percent or Better | 4-1 |
| When MT Shoots Less Than 50 Percent | 0-6 |
| When Opponent Shoots 50 Percent or Better | 0-2 |
| When Opponent Shoots Less Than 50 Percent | 4-5 |
| When MT Shoots Better Than Opponent | 4-1 |
| When MT Bench Outscores Opponent | 3-4 |
| When Opponent Bench Outscores MT | 1-3 |
| When Bench Points are Even | 0-0 |
| When MT Scores Less Than 70 | 2-5 |
| When MT Scores Between 70-79 | 1-2 |
| When MT Scores Between 80-89 | 1-0 |
| When MT Scores Between 90-99 | 0-0 |
| When MT Scores 100 or more | 0-0 |
| When Opponent Scores Less Than 70 | 3-1 |
| When Opponent Scores Between 70-79 | 1-4 |
| When Opponent Scores Between 80-89 | 0-2 |
| When Opponent Scores Between 90-99 | 0-0 |
| When Opponent Scores 100 or more | 0-0 |

***How MT Scored 1st Points***

| | |
|---|---|
| Lay-up | 6 |
| Three-Point Goal | 3 |
| Free Throw | 1 |
| Short Jumper | 1 |
| Long Jumper | 0 |
| Short Hook | 0 |
| Dunk | 0 |

***Free Throws Last 4 Minutes***

| | |
|---|---|
| Gunn | 8-9 |
| Jackson | 4-4 |
| Pippen | 7-8 |
| Humphrey | 6-7 |
| Parham | 5-9 |
| Connor | 3-6 |
| Mitchell | 2-4 |
| Robinson | 1-2 |
| Rhodes | 2-6 |
| Glasper | 0-2 |
| **Total** | **39-58 (.672)** |

***Old Fashioned 3-PT Play***

| | |
|---|---|
| Humphrey | 2-2 |
| Parham | 2-2 |
| Rhodes | 2-2 |
| Mitchell | 1-1 |
| Jackson | 2-4 |
| Gunn | 1-4 |

(Conversions-Attempts)

***4-PT Play***
None
(Conversions-Attempts)

**Games Missed Due to Injury**

| | |
|---|---|
| Young | 11 |
| Watson | 7 |
| Glasper | 4 |
| **Total** | **22** |

# GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

| Team | Score | 1st-2nd | FG-FGA | Pct. | 3PT-A | Pct. | FT-A | Pct. | O | D | Tot. | Pf-Dq | A | TO | BL | ST | Backcourt | Frontcourt | Bench |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| MT | 63 | 34-29 | 21-55 | 38.2 | 7-22 | 31.8 | 14-19 | 73.7 | 10 | 24 | 34 | 19-0 | 6 | 15 | 1 | 6 | 15 | 25 | 23 |
| East Carolina | 65 | 32-33 | 22-49 | 44.9 | 4-13 | 30.8 | 17-25 | 68.0 | 9 | 27 | 36 | 20-0 | 13 | 16 | 4 | 5 | 23 | 30 | 12 |
| MT | 65 | 25-40 | 25-66 | 37.9 | 7-23 | 30.4 | 8-10 | 80.0 | 17 | 25 | 42 | 20-0 | 11 | 21 | 2 | 6 | 20 | 23 | 22 |
| Alabama | 80 | 42-38 | 27-59 | 45.8 | 8-24 | 33.3 | 18-23 | 78.3 | 10 | 24 | 34 | 13-0 | 16 | 13 | 6 | 10 | 22 | 31 | 27 |
| MT | 87 | 45-42 | 30-56 | 53.6 | 8-18 | 44.4 | 19-26 | 73.1 | 10 | 33 | 43 | 16-1 | 15 | 15 | 2 | 7 | 35 | 37 | 15 |
| UT Martin | 77 | 42-35 | 29-71 | 40.8 | 12-36 | 33.3 | 7-13 | 53.8 | 15 | 19 | 34 | 18-0 | 16 | 14 | 4 | 7 | 39 | 25 | 13 |
| MT | 58 | 24-34 | 20-55 | 36.4 | 4-21 | 19.0 | 14-28 | 50.0 | 19 | 22 | 41 | 17-0 | 9 | 15 | 1 | 3 | 18 | 33 | 7 |
| UNCG | 70 | 36-34 | 24-60 | 40.0 | 7-20 | 35.0 | 15-19 | 78.9 | 17 | 22 | 38 | 20-0 | 14 | 12 | 7 | 3 | 21 | 23 | 26 |
| MT | 66 | 29-37 | 20-53 | 37.7 | 6-19 | 31.6 | 25-20 | 80.0 | 13 | 21 | 34 | 28-1 | 8 | 24 | 2 | 6 | 7 | 37 | 22 |
| Tenn. Tech | 70 | 18-52 | 20-54 | 37.0 | 5-15 | 33.3 | 25-33 | 75.8 | 17 | 24 | 41 | 25-0 | 8 | 22 | 7 | 12 | 24 | 29 | 7 |
| MT | 56 | 29-27 | 21-57 | 36.8 | 7-17 | 41.2 | 7-16 | 43.8 | 12 | 26 | 38 | 29-1 | 13 | 21 | 2 | 4 | 13 | 10 | 33 |
| Purdue | 85 | 40-45 | 27-57 | 47.4 | 6-14 | 42.9 | 25-34 | 73.5 | 10 | 25 | 35 | 21-0 | 11 | 11 | 3 | 9 | 31 | 22 | 32 |
| MT | 64 | 32-32 | 26-49 | 53.1 | 8-19 | 42.1 | 4-10 | 40.0 | 4 | 27 | 31 | 21-1 | 14 | 14 | 2 | 3 | 17 | 35 | 12 |
| IUPUI | 60 | 30-30 | 20-48 | 41.7 | 7-16 | 43.8 | 13-24 | 54.2 | 8 | 21 | 29 | 14-0 | 14 | 11 | 2 | 3 | 25 | 21 | 14 |
| MT | 72 | 35-37 | 26-51 | 51.0 | 9-21 | 42.9 | 11-13 | 84.6 | 8 | 20 | 28 | 15-0 | 12 | 16 | 1 | 4 | 33 | 20 | 19 |
| Murray State | 79 | 36-43 | 31-58 | 53.4 | 8-21 | 38.1 | 9-12 | 75.0 | 10 | 19 | 29 | 15-0 | 15 | 12 | 5 | 11 | 5 | 50 | 24 |
| MT | 74 | 39-35 | 30-54 | 55.6 | 7-17 | 41.2 | 7-11 | 63.6 | 13 | 24 | 37 | 13-0 | 13 | 17 | 2 | 4 | 20 | 8 | 46 |
| Christian Bros. | 54 | 31-26 | 23-52 | 44.2 | 4-12 | 33.3 | 7-12 | 58.3 | 8 | 12 | 20 | 14-0 | 5 | 13 | 0 | 12 | 33 | 14 | 10 |
| MT | 71 | 30-35-6 | 27-59 | 45.8 | 10-22 | 45.5 | 7-13 | 53.8 | 14 | 17 | 31 | 21-1 | 13 | 22 | 0 | 8 | 32 | 20 | 19 |
| Austin Peay | 79 | 34-31-14 | 27-48 | 56.3 | 8-18 | 44.4 | 17-25 | 68.0 | 8 | 21 | 29 | 18-0 | 18 | 22 | 6 | 8 | 16 | 45 | 18 |
| MT | 66 | 25-41 | 23-43 | 53.5 | 6-19 | 31.6 | 14-18 | 77.8 | 12 | 23 | 35 | 14-0 | 15 | 23 | 1 | 5 | 20 | 27 | 19 |
| Kennesaw St. | 62 | 35-27 | 24-57 | 42.1 | 6-26 | 23.1 | 8-12 | 66.7 | 13 | 11 | 24 | 20-0 | 8 | 13 | 3 | 15 | 21 | 23 | 18 |

## Game 1 — Murphy Center ( 2,714 )

# EAST CAROLINA 65
# MIDDLE TENNESSEE 63

### Nov. 22, 2002/Murfreesboro, TN

| ECU (65) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rivers* | 2-9 | 2-6 | 6-6 | 4 | 4 | 12 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 35 |
| Wiley* | 4-11 | 0-1 | 3-4 | 5 | 4 | 11 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 36 |
| Bing* | 1-2 | 0-0 | 2-6 | 8 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| Holcomb-Faye* | 4-8 | 0-2 | 3-5 | 5 | 2 | 11 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 36 |
| Mikulas* | 7-13 | 1-3 | 0-0 | 6 | 2 | 15 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 33 |
| MacKay | 1-1 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| Rouse | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Badiane | 3-5 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 4 | 3 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 24 |
| TEAM | | | | 3 | | | | | | | |
| **Totals** | **22-49** | **4-13** | **17-25** | **36** | **20** | **65** | **13** | **16** | **4** | **5** | **200** |

FG% ( 44.9%) 3FG% (30.8%) FT % (68.0%)

| MT (63) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Connor* | 3-7 | 2-5 | 2-2 | 3 | 1 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 33 |
| Pippen,* | 3-7 | 0-3 | 1-2 | 6 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 31 |
| Robinson* | 1-4 | 1-3 | 2-2 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 21 |
| Gunn* | 5-10 | 2-4 | 2-2 | 5 | 4 | 14 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 25 |
| Rhodes* | 1-5 | 0-0 | 2-5 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 23 |
| Jackson | 2-7 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 25 |
| Parham | 1-5 | 0-1 | 1-2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 17 |
| Mitchell | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Humphrey | 5-10 | 2-4 | 4-4 | 7 | 4 | 16 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| TEAM | | | | 2 | | | | 1 | | | |
| **Totals** | **21-55** | **7-22** | **14-19** | **34** | **19** | **63** | **6** | **15** | **1** | **6** | **200** |

FG% ( 38.2%) 3FG% (31.8%) FT % (73.7%)

**Officials:** Sam Croft, Gene Menees, James Breeding
**Technical fouls:** ECU-None. MT-None.

| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| East Carolina | 32 | 33 | 65 |
| Middle Tennessee | 34 | 29 | 63 |

## Game 2 — Coleman Coliseum ( 8,097 )

# MIDDLE TENNESSEE 65
# ALABAMA 80

### Nov. 25, 2002/Tuscaloosa, AL

| MT (65) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pippen* | 5-9 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 8 | 3 | 10 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 34 |
| Rhodes* | 3-7 | 0-0 | 2-4 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
| Connor* | 2-9 | 2-5 | 0-0 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 27 |
| Gunn* | 5-16 | 4-7 | 0-0 | 8 | 1 | 14 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 35 |
| Humphrey* | 1-9 | 1-5 | 2-2 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 32 |
| Parham | 2-4 | 0-1 | 1-1 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| Robinson | 0-3 | 0-3 | 2-2 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
| Jackson | 7-9 | 0-0 | 1-1 | 5 | 4 | 15 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 20 |
| Mitchell | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| TEAM | | | | 7 | | | | | | | |
| **Totals** | **25-66** | **7-23** | **8-10** | **42** | **20** | **65** | **11** | **21** | **2** | **6** | **200** |

FG% ( 37.9%) 3FG% (30.4%) FT % (80.0%)

| UA (80) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dudley* | 6-11 | 0-0 | 5-6 | 10 | 2 | 17 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 34 |
| Walker* | 4-6 | 0-0 | 6-7 | 6 | 4 | 14 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 27 |
| Shelton* | 1-8 | 1-7 | 2-4 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 24 |
| Meade* | 1-4 | 0-2 | 1-2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 20 |
| Williams* | 5-13 | 2-8 | 2-2 | 2 | 1 | 14 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 31 |
| Davis | 2-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Thomas | 4-7 | 4-6 | 0-0 | 3 | 2 | 12 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 23 |
| Rambo | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Brock | 2-4 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 15 |
| Smith | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Pettway | 2-3 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 19 |
| TEAM | | | | 3 | | | | | | | |
| **Totals** | **27-59** | **8-24** | **18-23** | **34** | **13** | **80** | **16** | **13** | **6** | **10** | **200** |

FG% (45.8%) 3FG% (33.3%) FT % (78.3%)

**Officials:** Mike Kitts, John Hampton, Kyle Chambers
**Technical fouls:** MT.-None. UA-None.

| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Middle Tennessee | 25 | 40 | 65 |
| Alabama | 42 | 38 | 80 |

## Game 3 — Murphy Center ( 1,789 )

# UT MARTIN 77
# MIDDLE TENNESSEE 87

### Nov. 27, 2002/Murfreesboro, TN

| UTM (77) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Egbe* | 4-10 | 2-6 | 3-4 | 5 | 1 | 13 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 24 |
| Bullock* | 9-23 | 8-19 | 0-0 | 4 | 4 | 26 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 38 |
| Kelly* | 2-5 | 0-1 | 0-1 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 34 |
| Howe* | 3-10 | 1-5 | 1-1 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 33 |
| Walker* | 5-13 | 0-1 | 3-7 | 8 | 3 | 13 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 33 |
| Asceric | 4-8 | 0-3 | 0-0 | 3 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 18 |
| Ferrell | 1-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0+ |
| Roos | 1-1 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 20 |
| TEAM | | | | 3 | | | | | | | |
| **Totals** | **29-71** | **12-36** | **7-13** | **34** | **18** | **77** | **16** | **14** | **4** | **7** | **200** |

FG% ( 40.8%) 3FG% (33.3%) FT % (53.8%)

| MT (87) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Connor* | 2-5 | 1-3 | 1-2 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 30 |
| Pippen* | 6-13 | 0-1 | 3-4 | 7 | 3 | 15 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 29 |
| Gunn* | 10-13 | 5-6 | 4-4 | 3 | 1 | 29 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 35 |
| Humphrey* | 4-7 | 1-3 | 4-6 | 8 | 3 | 13 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 29 |
| Rhodes* | 4-7 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 6 | 2 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| Jackson | 1-3 | 0-2 | 1-2 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 |
| Parham | 1-2 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Robinson | 2-6 | 1-2 | 5-6 | 3 | 1 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 25 |
| Mitchell | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| TEAM | | | | 5 | | | | 2 | | | |
| **Totals** | **30-56** | **8-18** | **19-26** | **43** | **16** | **87** | **15** | **15** | **2** | **7** | **200** |

**Officials:** Tom Eades, John Hampton, Bert Smith
**Technical fouls:** UTM-None. MT-None.

| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| UT Martin | 42 | 35 | 77 |
| Middle Tennessee | 45 | 42 | 87 |

## Game 4 — Fleming Gym ( 657 )

# MIDDLE TENNESSEE 58
# UNC-GREENSBORO 70

### Nov. 30, 2002/Greensboro, NC

| MT (58) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pippen* | 5-12 | 1-4 | 2-4 | 1 | 4 | 13 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 27 |
| Rhodes* | 6-8 | 0-0 | 4-10 | 20 | 2 | 16 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 34 |
| Connor* | 2-5 | 2-4 | 0-0 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 21 |
| Gunn* | 4-13 | 1-6 | 3-3 | 6 | 0 | 12 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 33 |
| Humphrey* | 1-6 | 0-3 | 2-4 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 25 |
| Jackson | 1-2 | 0-0 | 1-1 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| Parham | 1-3 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 16 |
| Robinson | 0-4 | 0-3 | 2-6 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 29 |
| Mitchell | 0-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| TEAM | | | | 4 | | | | | | | |
| **Totals** | **20-55** | **4-21** | **14-28** | **41** | **17** | **58** | **9** | **15** | **1** | **3** | **200** |

FG% (36.4%) 3FG% (19.0%) FT % (50.0%)

| UNCG (70) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Burrell* | 2-5 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 12 | 4 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 30 |
| Maye* | 6-12 | 3-6 | 1-1 | 5 | 2 | 16 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 33 |
| Boythe* | 0-3 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 13 |
| Taylor* | 3-10 | 1-5 | 5-6 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 31 |
| Joseph* | 4-13 | 1-5 | 0-2 | 6 | 3 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 31 |
| Bristow | 3-7 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 18 |
| Johnson | 2-5 | 0-0 | 6-6 | 9 | 0 | 10 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 25 |
| Gross | 2-3 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| McCarthy | 2-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 12 |
| TEAM | | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| **Totals** | **24-60** | **7-20** | **15-19** | **39** | **20** | **70** | **14** | **12** | **7** | **3** | **200** |

FG% (40.0%) 3FG% (35.0%) FT % (78.9%)

**Officials:** John Corio, Mark Schnur, Jeb Hartness
**Technical fouls:** MT-None. UNCG-None.

| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Middle Tennessee | 24 | 34 | 5 |
| UNCG | 36 | 34 | 70 |

## Game 5 — Murphy Center ( 2,832 )

# TENNESSEE TECH 70
# MIDDLE TENNESSEE 66

### Dec. 4, 2002/Murfreesboro, TN

| TTU (70) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Morgan* | 2-4 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 10 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 23 |
| Perkins* | 0-5 | 0-1 | 0-2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 13 |
| Jolly* | 3-5 | 3-4 | 7-9 | 2 | 3 | 16 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 39 |
| Crisp* | 5-12 | 2-6 | 6-6 | 5 | 3 | 18 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 34 |
| Kinloch* | 7-14 | 0-0 | 10-10 | 9 | 4 | 24 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 37 |
| Richardson | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Strange | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Clark | 0-6 | 0-1 | 0-2 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 25 |
| Boyd | 2-5 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 12 |
| Moore | 0-1 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Jones | 1-2 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| TEAM | | | | 3 | | | | | | | |
| **Totals** | **20-54** | **5-15** | **25-33** | **41** | **25** | **70** | **8** | **22** | **7** | **12** | **200** |

FG% ( 37.0%) 3FG% (33.3%) FT % (75.8%)

| MT (66) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Connor* | 0-4 | 0-4 | 2-2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 25 |
| Gunn* | 2-7 | 1-5 | 0-1 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 32 |
| Mitchell* | 4-6 | 0-0 | 3-3 | 6 | 4 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 |
| Humphrey* | 5-10 | 2-5 | 2-2 | 12 | 5 | 14 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 29 |
| Rhodes* | 2-7 | 0-0 | 8-10 | 6 | 3 | 12 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 25 |
| Pippen | 5-12 | 3-5 | 2-2 | 2 | 2 | 15 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 31 |
| Parham | 0-1 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 22 |
| Robinson | 1-4 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 12 |
| Jackson | 1-2 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| TEAM | | | | 4 | | | | 1 | | | |
| **Totals** | **20-53** | **6-19** | **20-25** | **34** | **28** | **66** | **8** | **24** | **2** | **6** | **200** |

FG% ( 37.7%) 3FG% (31.6%) FT % (80.0%)

**Officials:** Kevin Mathis, Jeb Hartness, James Breeding
**Technical fouls:** TTU-None. MT-None.

| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Tennessee Tech | 18 | 52 | 70 |
| Middle Tennessee | 29 | 37 | 66 |

## Game 6 — Mackey Arena ( 10,085 )

# MIDDLE TENNESSEE 56
# PURDUE 85

### Dec. 6, 2002/W. Lafayette, IN

| MT (56) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mitchell* | 2-4 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 13 |
| Humphrey* | 0-3 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 15 |
| Rhodes* | 2-3 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 28 |
| Connor* | 2-8 | 1-4 | 0-0 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 26 |
| Gunn* | 3-8 | 1-3 | 1-2 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 23 |
| Pippen | 4-10 | 2-3 | 0-0 | 1 | 4 | 10 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 22 |
| Jackson | 2-4 | 0-0 | 4-7 | 6 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 17 |
| Parham | 2-5 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 22 |
| Robinson | 2-6 | 2-3 | 0-1 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 20 |
| Glasper | 2-6 | 1-3 | 0-2 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 14 |
| TEAM | | | | 3 | | | | | | | |
| **Totals** | **21-57** | **7-17** | **7-16** | **38** | **29** | **56** | **13** | **21** | **2** | **4** | **200** |

FG% (36.8%) 3FG% (41.2%) FT % (43.8%)

| PU (70) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Buscher* | 2-7 | 0-0 | 3-4 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 25 |
| Kilgore* | 3-7 | 2-3 | 2-4 | 3 | 1 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 21 |
| Booker* | 1-3 | 0-0 | 3-3 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 15 |
| Deane* | 6-10 | 0-2 | 3-4 | 3 | 2 | 15 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 28 |
| Lowe* | 5-7 | 1-2 | 5-6 | 4 | 4 | 16 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 22 |
| Teague | 2-9 | 2-4 | 3-4 | 3 | 2 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 22 |
| Ford | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Parkinson | 1-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 18 |
| Buckley | 3-6 | 1-3 | 2-2 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 23 |
| Garrity | 2-2 | 0-0 | 0-2 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Kiefer | 2-3 | 0-0 | 4-5 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 20 |
| TEAM | | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| **Totals** | **27-57** | **6-14** | **25-34** | **35** | **21** | **85** | **11** | **11** | **3** | **9** | **200** |

FG% (47.4%) 3FG% (42.9%) FT % (73.5%)

**Officials:** Donnee Gray, Gene Monje, Sam Lickliter
**Technical fouls:** MT-Gunn, Tommy. PU-None.

| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Middle Tennessee | 29 | 27 | 56 |
| Purdue | 40 | 45 | 85 |

## Game 7 — Mackey Arena ( NA )

# IUPUI 60
# MIDDLE TENNESSEE 64

### Dec. 7, 2002/W. Lafayette, IN

| IUPUI (60) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bradley* | 5-14 | 0-3 | 3-4 | 5 | 3 | 13 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 36 |
| Lewis* | 3-10 | 0-0 | 2-4 | 4 | 1 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 31 |
| Marcus* | 0-2 | 0-0 | 2-4 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 27 |
| Crenshaw* | 1-2 | 0-0 | 3-4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 31 |
| Mullins* | 6-8 | 4-6 | 2-3 | 8 | 3 | 18 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 37 |
| Cole | 5-11 | 3-7 | 0-0 | 2 | 1 | 13 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 29 |
| Long | 0-1 | 0-0 | 1-5 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 |
| TEAM | | | | 2 | | | | 1 | | | |
| **Totals** | **20-48** | **7-16** | **13-24** | **29** | **14** | **60** | **14** | **11** | **2** | **3** | **200** |
| FG% ( 41.7%) | | 3FG% (43.8%) | | | FT % (54.2%) | | | | | | |

| MT (64) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pippen* | 9-15 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 10 | 5 | 18 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 32 |
| Humphrey* | 4-5 | 4-5 | 0-0 | 4 | 4 | 12 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
| Rhodes* | 2-5 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| Connor* | 1-5 | 1-5 | 0-0 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 28 |
| Gunn* | 6-9 | 2-4 | 0-0 | 4 | 0 | 14 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 37 |
| Jackson | 0-2 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Parham | 1-1 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
| Robinson | 2-4 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 17 |
| Glasper | 0-1 | 0-1 | 0-2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| Mitchell | 1-2 | 0-0 | 2-4 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 19 |
| TEAM | | | | 4 | | | | 1 | | | |
| **Totals** | **26-49** | **8-19** | **4-10** | **31** | **21** | **64** | **14** | **14** | **2** | **3** | **200** |
| FG% ( 53.1%) | | 3FG% (42.1%) | | | FT % (40.0%) | | | | | | |

**Officials:** Lenny Memminger, Brad Pressentin, David Gentile
**Technical fouls:** IUPUI-None. MT-None.

| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| IUPUI | 30 | 30 | 60 |
| Middle Tennessee | 32 | 32 | 64 |

## Game 8 — Murphy Center ( 1,316 )

# MURRAY STATE 79
# MIDDLE TENNESSEE 72

### Dec. 16, 2002/Murfreesboro, TN

| MSU (79) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Paschel* | 1-5 | 0-2 | 1-1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 32 |
| Victor* | 8-12 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 6 | 2 | 17 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 29 |
| Shumate* | 1-7 | 0-4 | 0-0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 24 |
| Whelchel* | 4-7 | 3-5 | 1-2 | 3 | 4 | 12 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 30 |
| Singleton* | 8-11 | 1-1 | 4-4 | 11 | 3 | 21 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 40 |
| Borders | 2-5 | 1-3 | 0-1 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| Henderson | 0-1 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Hornig | 2-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| Jones | 5-8 | 3-5 | 2-2 | 1 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 17 |
| Bedeau | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| TEAM | | | | 2 | | | | | | | |
| **Totals** | **31-58** | **8-21** | **9-12** | **29** | **15** | **79** | **15** | **12** | **5** | **11** | **200** |
| FG% (53.4%) | | 3FG% (38.1%) | | | FT % (75.0%) | | | | | | |

| MT (72) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pippen* | 4-6 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 6 | 2 | 9 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 32 |
| Parham* | 5-11 | 2-5 | 2-2 | 2 | 1 | 14 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 29 |
| Gunn* | 7-12 | 3-6 | 2-3 | 3 | 3 | 19 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 35 |
| Humphrey* | 3-6 | 2-4 | 1-2 | 3 | 4 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 16 |
| Rhodes* | 1-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 22 |
| Connor | 1-2 | 0-1 | 2-2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 17 |
| Jackson | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| Robinson | 4-6 | 1-2 | 2-2 | 3 | 0 | 11 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 |
| Glasper | 0-1 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Mitchell | 0-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 13 |
| Watson | 1-2 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| TEAM | | | | 2 | | | | 1 | | | |
| **Totals** | **26-51** | **9-21** | **11-13** | **28** | **15** | **72** | **12** | **16** | **1** | **4** | **200** |
| FG% (51.0%) | | 3FG% (42.9%) | | | FT % (84.6%) | | | | | | |

**Officials:** Tom Eades, John Hampton, James Breeding
**Technical fouls:** MSU-None. MT-None.

| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Murray State | 36 | 43 | 79 |
| Middle Tennessee | 35 | 37 | 72 |

## Game 9 — Murphy Center ( 1,118 )

# CHRISTIAN BROTHERS 57
# MIDDLE TENNESSEE 74

### Dec. 18, 2002/Murfreesboro, TN

| CBU (57) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bazeley* | 5-7 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 30 |
| Dowdle* | 6-12 | 1-5 | 1-2 | 1 | 0 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 36 |
| Heitzman* | 1-7 | 1-3 | 2-2 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 36 |
| Jeffries* | 4-11 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 5 | 2 | 9 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 33 |
| Moody* | 4-7 | 1-1 | 0-2 | 3 | 4 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 28 |
| Hoover | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| Francis | 0-2 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| Moses | 3-6 | 1-1 | 3-4 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 17 |
| Popov | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| TEAM | | | | 2 | | | | | | | |
| ***Totals*** | ***23-52*** | ***4-12*** | ***7-12*** | ***20*** | ***14*** | ***57*** | ***5*** | ***13*** | ***0*** | ***12*** | ***200*** |
| FG% ( 44.2%) | | 3FG% (33.3%) | | | FT % (58.3%) | | | | | | |

| MT (74) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jackson* | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| Parham* | 0-3 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 23 |
| Robinson* | 2-8 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 27 |
| Gunn* | 5-6 | 3-3 | 3-4 | 1 | 1 | 16 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 29 |
| Mitchell* | 4-6 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 7 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 21 |
| Connor | 2-5 | 2-5 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 21 |
| Pippen | 14-16 | 2-2 | 2-2 | 7 | 1 | 32 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 31 |
| Glasper | 0-1 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Humphrey | 2-6 | 0-2 | 1-1 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 |
| Rhodes | 1-3 | 0-0 | 0-2 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 14 |
| Watson | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| T-EAM | | | | 4 | | | | 1 | | | |
| Totals | 30-54 | 7-17 | 7-11 | 37 | 13 | 74 | 13 | 17 | 2 | 4 | 200 |
| FG% (55.6%) | | 3FG% (41.2%) | | | FT % (63.6%) | | | | | | |

**Officials:** Larry Ware, Kevin Mathis, Bret Smith
**Technical fouls:** CBU-None. MT-None.

| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Christian Brothers | 31 | 26 | 57 |
| Middle Tennessee | 39 | 35 | 74 |

## Game 10 — Dunn Center ( 2,260 )

# MIDDLE TENNESSEE 71
# AUSTIN PEAY 79

### Dec. 21, 2002/Clarksville, TN

| MT (71) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pippen* | 6-13 | 0-3 | 2-2 | 5 | 4 | 14 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 38 |
| Robinson* | 2-4 | 2-3 | 0-0 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 17 |
| Watson* | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 9 |
| Parham* | 3-8 | 2-3 | 3-5 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 38 |
| Gunn* | 8-12 | 4-5 | 1-3 | 5 | 2 | 21 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 41 |
| Connor | 3-7 | 2-5 | 0-2 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 20 |
| Mitchell | 4-8 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 4 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 25 |
| Humphrey | 0-5 | 0-3 | 0-0 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 24 |
| Rhodes | 1-2 | 0-0 | 1-1 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 13 |
| TEAM | | | | 4 | | | | 1 | | | |
| ***Totals*** | ***27-59*** | ***10-22*** | ***7-13*** | ***31*** | ***21*** | ***71*** | ***13*** | ***22*** | ***0*** | ***8*** | ***225*** |
| FG% (45.8%) | | 3FG% (45.5%) | | | FT % (53.8%) | | | | | | |

| APSU (79) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Henning* | 7-11 | 0-2 | 8-9 | 9 | 1 | 22 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 45 |
| Wierzba* | 5-10 | 3-7 | 4-7 | 2 | 3 | 17 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 32 |
| Lewis* | 2-4 | 0-0 | 2-4 | 6 | 4 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 20 |
| Gipson* | 0-1 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 28 |
| Davis* | 7-13 | 2-4 | 0-2 | 1 | 1 | 16 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 39 |
| Carmichael | 3-4 | 3-3 | 1-1 | 0 | 2 | 10 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| Hampton | 2-4 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| Graham | 1-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 16 |
| Macura | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Hill | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| TEAM | | | | 4 | | | | 1 | | | |
| ***Totals*** | ***27-48*** | ***8-18*** | ***17-25*** | ***29*** | ***18*** | ***79*** | ***18*** | ***22*** | ***6*** | ***8*** | ***225*** |
| FG% ( 56.3%) | | 3FG% (44.4%) | | | FT % (68.0%) | | | | | | |

**Officials:** Bruce Benedict, Terry Miller, Travis Correll
**Technical fouls:** MT-TEAM, APSU-HENNING, Adrian.

| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | OT | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Middle Tennessee | 30 | 35 | 6 | 71 |
| Austin Peay | 34 | 31 | 14 | 79 |

## Game 11 — Murphy Center ( 1,027 )

# KENNESAW STATE 62
# MIDDLE TENNESSEE 66

### Dec. 27, 2002/Murfreesboro, TN

| KSU (62) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Thompson* | 5-13 | 2-9 | 3-3 | 4 | 2 | 15 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 40 |
| Brown* | 6-12 | 0-2 | 2-4 | 3 | 3 | 14 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 36 |
| McCoy* | 4-5 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 8 | 4 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 24 |
| Hill* | 2-12 | 0-3 | 2-3 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 40 |
| Joseph* | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 27 |
| Blake | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Moore | 7-15 | 4-12 | 0-0 | 2 | 4 | 18 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 31 |
| Davis | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0+ |
| TEAM | | | | 2 | | | | | | | |
| ***Totals*** | ***24-57*** | ***6-26*** | ***8-12*** | ***24*** | ***20*** | ***62*** | ***8*** | ***13*** | ***3*** | ***15*** | ***200*** |
| FG% ( 42.1%) | | 3FG% (23.1%) | | | FT % (66.7%) | | | | | | |

| MT (66) | FG | 3FG | FT | R | F | TP | A | T | B | S | MIN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pippen* | 7-10 | 1-4 | 0-0 | 7 | 2 | 15 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 34 |
| Parham* | 1-1 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 20 |
| Robinson* | 3-4 | 1-2 | 0-1 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 17 |
| Humphrey* | 2-7 | 1-5 | 4-4 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 34 |
| Rhodes* | 3-5 | 0-0 | 6-7 | 3 | 4 | 12 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 21 |
| Connor | 0-5 | 0-3 | 1-2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 27 |
| Jackson | 1-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Glasper | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Gunn | 4-6 | 3-5 | 1-2 | 2 | 1 | 12 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
| Mitchell | 2-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 16 |
| Watson | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| TEAM | | | | 7 | | | | | | | |
| ***Totals*** | ***23-43*** | ***6-19*** | ***14-18*** | ***35*** | ***14*** | ***66*** | ***15*** | ***23*** | ***1*** | ***5*** | ***200*** |
| FG% ( 53.5%) | | 3FG% (31.6%) | | | FT % (77.8%) | | | | | | |

**Officials:** Harrell Allen, Steven Pyatt, Tom Eades
**Technical fouls:** KSUNone. MT-None.

| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Kennesaw State | 35 | 27 | 62 |
| Middle Tennessee | 25 | 41 | 66 |

# Middle Tennessee Combined Team Statistics (as of Dec 31, 2002)
## All games

| RECORD: | OVERALL | HOME | AWAY | NEUTRAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| ALL GAMES..... | (4-7) | (3-3) | (0-4) | (1-0) |
| CONFERENCE..... | (0-0) | (0-0) | (0-0) | (0-0) |
| NON-CONFERENCE..... | (4-7) | (3-3) | (0-4) | (1-0) |

| | | | |---TOTAL---| | |---3-PTS---| | | | |----REBOUNDS----| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ## Player | GP-GS | Min--Avg | FG-FGA | Pct | 3FG-FGA | Pct | FT-FTA | Pct | Off | Def | Tot | Avg | PF | FO | A | TO | Blk | Stl | Pts | Avg |
| 32 Gunn, Tommy..... | 11-10 | 344 31.3 | 59-112 | .527 | 29-54 | .537 | 17-24 | .708 | 12 | 31 | 43 | 3.9 | 22 | 1 | 20 | 32 | 5 | 15 | 164 | 14.9 |
| 03 Pippen, William.... | 11-8 | 341 31.0 | 68-123 | .553 | 10-31 | .323 | 12-16 | .750 | 12 | 48 | 60 | 5.5 | 33 | 1 | 17 | 30 | 5 | 10 | 158 | 14.4 |
| 35 Humphrey, John..... | 11-8 | 265 24.1 | 27-74 | .365 | 13-40 | .325 | 20-25 | .800 | 24 | 30 | 54 | 4.9 | 36 | 1 | 10 | 16 | 4 | 11 | 87 | 7.9 |
| 40 Rhodes, Napoleon... | 11-9 | 247 22.5 | 26-55 | .473 | 0-0 | .000 | 26-45 | .578 | 23 | 35 | 58 | 5.3 | 33 | 1 | 8 | 28 | 0 | 4 | 78 | 7.1 |
| 12 Robinson, Marcus... | 11-4 | 224 20.4 | 19-53 | .358 | 9-24 | .375 | 15-22 | .682 | 6 | 25 | 31 | 2.8 | 18 | 0 | 14 | 16 | 0 | 2 | 62 | 5.6 |
| 01 Connor, Keith..... | 11-7 | 275 25.0 | 18-62 | .290 | 13-44 | .295 | 8-12 | .667 | 4 | 17 | 21 | 1.9 | 14 | 0 | 25 | 16 | 0 | 8 | 57 | 5.2 |
| 11 Parham, Eric..... | 11-4 | 216 19.6 | 17-44 | .386 | 4-14 | .286 | 11-16 | .688 | 1 | 15 | 16 | 1.5 | 14 | 0 | 29 | 31 | 0 | 4 | 49 | 4.5 |
| 04 Jackson, Steven.... | 10-1 | 124 12.4 | 15-30 | .500 | 0-5 | .000 | 7-12 | .583 | 7 | 17 | 24 | 2.4 | 20 | 1 | 4 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 37 | 3.7 |
| 34 Mitchell, Bryant... | 11-3 | 135 12.3 | 17-33 | .515 | 0-0 | .000 | 6-9 | .667 | 14 | 22 | 36 | 3.3 | 20 | 0 | 2 | 13 | 2 | 2 | 40 | 3.6 |
| 50 Watson, Demario.... | 4-1 | 26 6.5 | 1-3 | .333 | 0-0 | .000 | 3-4 | .750 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1.0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 1.3 |
| 23 Glasper, Derek..... | 5-0 | 28 5.6 | 2-9 | .222 | 1-6 | .167 | 0-4 | .000 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0.2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 1.0 |
| TEAM..... | | | | | | | | | 27 | 19 | 46 | 4.2 | 0 | | | 8 | | | | |
| Total..... | 11 | 2225 | 269-598 | .450 | 79-218 | .362 | 125-189 | .661 | 132 | 262 | 394 | 35.8 | 213 | 5 | 129 | 203 | 16 | 56 | 742 | 67.5 |
| Opponents..... | 11 | 2225 | 274-613 | .447 | 75-215 | .349 | 161-232 | .694 | 125 | 225 | 350 | 31.8 | 198 | - | 138 | 159 | 47 | 95 | 784 | 71.3 |

| TEAM STATISTICS | MT | OPP |
|---|---|---|
| SCORING..... | 742 | 784 |
| Points per game..... | 67.5 | 71.3 |
| Scoring margin..... | -3.8 | - |
| FIELD GOALS-ATT..... | 269-598 | 274-613 |
| Field goal pct..... | .450 | .447 |
| 3 POINT FG-ATT..... | 79-218 | 75-215 |
| 3-point FG pct..... | .362 | .349 |
| 3-pt FG made per game.. | 7.2 | 6.8 |
| FREE THROWS-ATT..... | 125-189 | 161-232 |
| Free throw pct..... | .661 | .694 |
| REBOUNDS..... | 394 | 350 |
| Rebounds per game..... | 35.8 | 31.8 |
| Rebounding margin..... | +4.0 | - |
| ASSISTS..... | 129 | 138 |
| Assists per game..... | 11.7 | 12.5 |
| TURNOVERS..... | 203 | 159 |
| Turnovers per game..... | 18.5 | 14.5 |
| Turnover margin..... | -4.0 | - |
| Assist/turnover ratio.. | 0.6 | 0.9 |
| STEALS..... | 56 | 95 |
| Steals per game..... | 5.1 | 8.6 |
| BLOCKS..... | 16 | 47 |
| Blocks per game..... | 1.5 | 4.3 |
| WINNING STREAK..... | 1 | - |
| Home win streak..... | 2 | - |
| ATTENDANCE..... | 10796 | 21099 |
| Home games-Avg/Game.... | 6-1799 | 4-5275 |
| Neutral site-Avg/Game.. | - | 1-0 |

| SCORE BY PERIODS: | 1st | 2nd | OT | | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Middle Tennessee..... | 347 | 389 | 6 | - | 742 |
| Opponents..... | 376 | 394 | 14 | - | 784 |

| DATE | OPPONENT | W/L | SCORE | ATTEND |
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| 11/22/02 | EAST CAROLINA | L | 63-65 | 2714 |
| 11/25/02 | at University Of Alabama | L | 65-80 | 8097 |
| 11/27/02 | UT MARTIN | W | 87-77 | 1789 |
| 11/30/02 | at UNCG | L | 58-70 | 657 |
| 12/4/02 | TENNESSEE TECH | L | 66-70 | 2832 |
| 12/6/02 | at Purdue Boilermakers | L | 56-85 | 10085 |
| 12/7/02 | vs IUPUI | W | 64-60 | - |
| 12/16/02 | MURRAY STATE | L | 72-79 | 1316 |
| 12/18/02 | CHRISTIAN BROTHERS | W | 74-57 | 1118 |
| 12/21/02 | at Austin Peay | LOT | 71-79 | 2260 |
| 12/27/02 | KENNESAW STATE | W | 66-62 | 1027 |