

## **Late Run Helps Florida Defeat Albany**

### **Brewer scores 18 points in regional championship game**

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GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP) -- Corey Brewer scored seven of 18 points in a key 23-4 run that bridged the halves, and Florida beat Albany 83-64 Thursday in the championship game of the Gainesville regional in the 2K Sports College Hoops Classic.

Corey Brewer receives the Gainesville regional MVP following The Gator's victory.

The Gators (2-0) advanced to the semifinal round on Nov. 17 at Madison Square Garden, where they will play the winner of Friday night's game between Wake Forest and George Mason.

Florida trailed 38-36 late in the first half but closed with a 9-1 spurt that Brewer capped with an off-balance 3-pointer at the buzzer. He sprinted the length of the court to the locker room with one arm raised above his head, and Albany (1-1) never challenged again.

Brewer increased the lead to 50-40 early in the second half with a layup and extended the advantage to 52-40 on a dunk with 18:11 left. The Gators led by double figures the rest of the way and were up by as much as 83-61.

Florida shot 58.8 percent from the field, getting five 3s and 15 points from Lee Humphrey, 17 from Joakim Noah and 14 from Chris Richard.

Albany, the preseason favorite in the America East conference, hung tough in the first half despite giving up six 3s in the first 11 minutes. Jamar Wilson scored 19 of his 21 points before the break, hitting six of his seven shots.

The Great Danes went ahead for the first time, 33-32, on Wilson's 3-pointer with 5:37 left and 38-36 on Wilson's three-point play at the 3:58 mark, but that was their final lead. Florida clamped down on Wilson in the second half, limiting him to one shot and two points.

Brent Wilson had 15 points for Albany. Jon Iati added 10 in a reserve role.

Brewer, who scored 36 points in two games, was named Gainesville regional MVP.

