



Missouri Valley Conference
Women's Basketball Tournament
The Family Arena – St. Charles, Mo.
Game 6 – Friday, March 15, 2013

No. 3 Illinois State 59, No. 6 Bradley 48

Illinois State Quotes

Head Coach Stephanie Glance

On why they won:

“I really felt like we won the game on defensive rebounding. You hear that over and over across the country that defensive rebounding wins championships. It certainly won a game tonight. We went 0-for-10 from the three-point line. We went through stretches of seven and nine minutes when we didn't score. We also had 20 turnovers. So, there's no way you could look at the stat sheet and figure out a reason we won other than defensive rebounding.”

On what she said to spark the run at the end of the first half:

“I really challenged them. I challenged the seniors that this is their last go around. It was a cross between a challenge and an encouragement, because they are a good team.”

On Creighton:

“Clearly we have to defend the three-point line. But the other thing Creighton does well is they can go for the bounce, and they cut and move. They are very active. We have to be at our best defensive game once again tomorrow. I'm glad we did that tonight, because that is certainly what we are going to need to put on the floor tomorrow.”

Jamie Russell

On how they played out of the hole:

“Defense is what won that game. We're going to get shots, if they don't fall, we still need to play defense and get some stops on the defensive end.”

On Bradley's run:

“We always know that they're not going to let down and we just need to keep our composure. Things got a little hectic but we made a run before half and continued through the game.”

Janae Smith

On being MVC Newcomer of the year:

“It makes me really happy. Jamie got it last year, and she really helped pave the way for me to get it this year.”

Bradley Quotes

Head Coach Michael Brooks

On the game:

“I loved our passion. I loved our poise. We showed perseverance. We missed open shots, we didn’t make layups... We’re missing a down low presence... You have to make shots to win.”

Shronda Butts

On dealing with a difficult night on offense:

“The encouragement from my teammates really helped me out. Whenever they are able to have my back and pick me up, it really helps my game. I was also able to contribute on the defensive end which kind of got me in a rhythm on offense.”

Katie Yohn

On her performance:

“I didn’t shoot very well but our defense was able to keep us in it. Our defense started fueling our offense late and I felt that is what was able to keep us in the game despite my performance.”