



Game 11 — November 21, 1998
Furman Paladins (4-6; 2-5 SoCon) vs. Chattanooga Mocs (5-5; 4-3 SoCon)
Greenville, South Carolina, Paladin Stadium (16,000) — Natural Surface
1:30 P.M. Kickoff (EST)



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THE GAME

Saturday's Furman-Chattanooga game marks the 1998 season finale for the Paladins and Mocs. It also presents Furman the opportunity to snap a five-game Southern Conference losing streak, the program's longest since the 1972 season.

THE SERIES

In a series that got its start in 1928 with a 15-0 Chattanooga win in Greenville, Furman has captured three straight and eight of the last 10 meetings with Chattanooga to forge a 14-12 series advantage. Last year Furman used an overpowering pass rush and strong special teams play to down the Mocs 43-21 in Chattanooga. Two years ago in Greenville the Paladins bested Chattanooga 42-21. The Mocs' last win over Furman was a 34-20 decision in 1994. Furman and Chattanooga are knotted at 6-6 in Greenville. Furman, however, is 5-3 versus Chattanooga in Paladin Stadium. UTC was the first opponent to beat Furman in Paladin Stadium (31-28 in 1981).

1928	L	0-15	GREENVILLE
1929	L	7-20	Chattanooga
1957	L	0-34	GREENVILLE
1959	L	7-20	Chattanooga
1968	L	14-31	Chattanooga
1970	W	18-16	GREENVILLE
1977	W	17-7	Chattanooga
1979	L	14-45	GREENVILLE
1980	W	42-28	Chattanooga
1981	L	28-31	GREENVILLE
1982	L	13-16	Chattanooga
1983	W	28-14	GREENVILLE
1984	L	7-14	Chattanooga
1985	W	28-0	GREENVILLE
1986	W	21-10	Chattanooga
1987	L	14-16	GREENVILLE
1988	W	10-7	Chattanooga
1989	W	27-17	GREENVILLE
1990	W	38-21	Chattanooga
1991	W	24-21	GREENVILLE
1992	W	35-7	Chattanooga
1993	L	42-45	Chattanooga
1994	L	20-34	GREENVILLE
1995	W	23-21	Chattanooga
1996	W	42-21	GREENVILLE
1997	W	43-21	Chattanooga

In Greenville: Tied 6-6

In Chattanooga: Furman leads 8-6

THE COACHES

Furman: Bobby Johnson (Clemson '73)
 29-27-0 (.518), 5th Year at Furman
 29-27-0 (.518), 5th Year Overall
 Johnson vs. UTC (3-1)

UTC: Buddy Green (North Carolina State '76)
 22-32 (.407), 5th Year at UTC
 22-32 (.407), 5th Year Overall
 Green vs. Furman (1-3)

THE OFFENSES

Furman: Multiple I
 '98 Points/Game — 23.6
 '98 Yards/Game — 311.5
 185.5 Rushing
 126.0 Passing

UTC: Pro Set
 '98 Points/Game — 18.1
 '98 Yards/Game — 356.0
 174.0 Rushing
 182.0 Passing

THE DEFENSES

Furman: 43
 '98 Points/Game — 25.5
 '98 Yards/Game — 369.4
 211.7 Rushing
 157.7 Passing

UTC: Multiple 50
 '98 Points/Game — 18.8
 '98 Yards/Game — 325.2
 181.8 Rushing
 143.4 Passing

1998 RESULTS AND SCHEDULE

Furman (4-6, 2-5 Southern)
 Sept. 5 Clemson 33, Furman 0
 Sept. 12 Furman 27, South Carolina State 19
 Sept. 19 Furman 34, Samford 24
 Sept. 26 Furman 51, VMI 14
 Oct. 3 Furman 31, Western Carolina 7
 Oct. 10 Appalachian State 26, Furman 13
 Oct. 17 The Citadel 25, Furman 24
 Oct. 24 E. Tenn. St. 22, Furman 19 (2ot)
 Nov. 7 Ga. Southern 45, Furman 17
 Nov. 14 Wofford 40, Furman 20
 Nov. 21 CHATTANOOGA, 1:30

UTC (5-5, 4-3 Southern)
 Sept. 3 UTC 23, Samford 13
 Sept. 12 East Carolina 31, UTC 0
 Sept. 19 Troy State 23, UTC 6
 Sept. 26 Ga. Southern 42, UTC 25
 Oct. 3 UTC 31, Wofford 3
 Oct. 17 UTC 45, VMI 7
 Nov. 24 Western Carolina 24, UTC 21
 Nov. 31 Appalachian State 28, UTC 7
 Nov. 7 UTC 13, The Citadel 10
 Nov. 14 UTC 10, East Tennessee State 7
 Nov. 21 @ Furman, 1:30

1998 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Team	SoCon	Overall
Georgia Southern	11 0	8 0
Appalachian State	6 1	9 1
Western Carolina	4 3	5 5
Chattanooga	3 3	5 5
The Citadel	4 4	5 6
Wofford	3 5	4 6
East Tennessee State	3 5	4 6
FURMAN	2 5	4 6
VMI	0 8	1 10

November 14

Appalachian State 19, Eastern Kentucky 0
 The Citadel 36, VMI 10
 Chattanooga 10, East Tennessee State 7
 Wofford 40, Furman 20
 Georgia Southern 28, South Florida 23

November 21

Appalachian State at Western Carolina, Noon
 Wofford at Marshall, Noon
 Chattanooga at Furman, 1:30
 Charleston Southern at E. Tennessee St., 7:00

**1998 FURMAN PALADINS
 PRE-SEASON HONORS**

Coaches All-Southern Conference
 C Mark Foster (1st Team)
 OG Ben Hall (1st Team)
 PK Jason Wells (1st Team)
 LB Orlando Ruff (1st Team)
 SS John Keith (1st Team)
 FLK Desmond Kitchings (2nd Team)
 DT B.J. Pate (2nd Team)

Southern Conference Coaches
 Defensive Player-of-the-Year
 LB Orlando Ruff

Sports Network All-America
 C Mark Foster

Southern Conference Polls
 Southern Conference Head Coaches (4th)
 Southern Conference Media (4th)

**1998 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE
 REGULAR SEASON HONORS**

Players-of-the-Week
 FB Louis Ivory (Fr.) vs. S.C. State
 CB Daniel Roberson (Fr.) vs. Samford
 CB Richie Jackson (Def.) vs. W. Carolina
 LB Will Bouton (Fr.) vs. W. Carolina

FURMAN LAST WEEK

SPARTANBURG, S.C. -- Quarterback Travis Wilson threw for 138 yards and three touchdowns to pace the Wofford Terriers to a 40-20 win over the visiting Furman Paladins.

In hosting Furman for the first time since 1979, Wofford jumped out to a 12-0 first quarter lead on a pair of Wilson scoring strikes to Bryan Davis covering 59 and 36 yards.

The Terriers later extended their lead to 19-0 when Nathan Price scored on a 20-yard run at the 14:27 mark of the second quarter following a Furman fumble.

Furman got on the board just before the half when Derek Russell bulled over from two yards out, and the Paladins opened the second half by moving 51 yards in 11 plays to slice Wofford's lead to 19-14 following a 1-yard run by quarterback Justin Hill at the 9:15 juncture of the third period.

Wofford, however, answered and blew the game open with three straight scores on a pair of touchdown runs and Wilson's third scoring toss of the game, which came on a 19-yard pass to Jeff Scott.

The win was Wofford's first over Furman since 1979 and first in the last seven meetings between the two schools.

Furman's embarrassment was total, as the Paladin offense failed to generate its first first down until midway through the second period, and Furman was outgained 445-274 by the much hungrier Terriers.

UTC LAST WEEK

CHATTANOOGA, TENN. — Running back Tyrone Coleman ran for 142 yards and quarterback Hampton threw for 108 yards and a touchdown to lead Chattanooga to a 10-7 Southern Conference win over East Tennessee State.

Chattanooga opened the scoring when Matt Vick connected on a 38-yard field goal at the 13:32 mark of the first period, and the Mocs increased their lead to 10-0 when Jermaine Whipple hooked up with Hampton on a 47-yard touchdown pass with 0:42 left in the first half.

The Mocs' defense surrendered a 30-yard touchdown run by East Tennessee State's Brian Edwards with 3:04 left in the game to make it a 10-7 contest, but that was all the Buccaneers could muster against UTC, which surrendered only 255 total yards to ETSU.

LAST MEETING

CHATTANOOGA (Nov. 22, 1997) — All-America defensive end Bryan Dailer tallied a school and Southern Conference record seven quarterback sacks, and Furman's special teams came up big to lead the Paladins to a 43-21 season ending win over Chattanooga in front of 10,102 fans at Finley Stadium.

After opening the scoring with 36-yard Jason Wells first quarter field goal, the Paladins' Bernard Scott scooped up a blocked punt and returned it 25 yards for a touchdown to put the Paladins ahead 10-0 early in the second period.

Two more Jason Wells' field goals covering 38 and 43 yards gave Furman a 16-0 halftime lead, which the Paladins padded on a Desmond Kitchings' 90-yard kickoff return on the opening

play of the second half.

After Chattanooga's first score of the day, Furman took total control of the contest when Mark Moore took a screen pass from Justin Hill and raced 57 yards for a score to give the Paladins a 30-7 lead with 5:38 remaining in the third period.

Furman added two more scores, including a school record 99-yard interception return by strong safety John Keith that accounted for the Paladins' final points of the game.

Although outgained 473-272 by Chattanooga, Furman sacked UTC quarterbacks a school record 10 times.

FURMAN	3	13	14	13	—	43
CHATTANOOGA	0	0	13	8	—	21

- F — Jason Wells 36 FG 4:27-1Q
- F — Bernard Scott 25 blocked punt return (Jason Wells kick) 14:11-2Q
- F — Jason Wells 38 FG 8:30-2Q
- F — Jason Wells 43 FG 4:24-2Q
- F — Desmond Kitchings 90 kickoff return (Jason Wells kick) 14:42-3Q
- C — Carlos Locklyn 5 run (Matt Vick kick) 12:52-3Q
- F — Mark Moore 57 pass from Justin Hill (Jason Wells kick) 5:38-3Q
- C — Mark Hill 6 pass from Brian Hampton (pass failed) 3:04-3Q
- F — Derek Russell 4 run (Jason Wells kick) 11:46-4Q
- F — John Keith 99 interception return (Jason Wells kick) 3:51-4Q
- C — Adam Winegarden 1 run (Marco Sheppard pass) 1:59-4Q

Rushing: F — Russell 13-115, Crosby 11-25, Hill 12-23, Moore 5-21, Sanders 1-10, Kitchings 1-(-1), Rentz 2-(-1). C — Locklyn 13-39, Winegarden 6-21, Tinker 3-12, D'Anjou 2-5, White 1-5, Coleman 1-3, Hampton 13-(-33).

Passing: F — 5-9-0-76, Rickman 0-1-0-0. C — Hampton 21-41-0-281, Winegarden 3-10-2-81.

Receiving: F — Moore 2-51, Berrian 2-17, Kitchings 1-8. C — Locklyn 7-44, Hawkins 3-73, Sheppard 3-43, Griffin 2-33, Smith 2-20, White 2-17, Hill 2-17, Sealy 1-63, Whipple 1-43, Tinker 1-9.

Defense: F — Thier 15, Dailer 13, Ruff 12. C — Vincent 8, Lindsey 8.

	F	C
First Downs	11	20
Rushing	45-196	39-111
Passing	76	362
C/A/I	5-10-1	24-51-2
Total Offense	272	473
Fumbles-Lost	4-3	2-1
Penalties	3-45	6-46
Punts	2-27.5	4-17.8
Possession Time	28:08	31:52
Third Down Conversions	7-14	3-19
Sacks By	10	1

NOTING THE PALADINS

✓ **FIVE ON THE DOWNSIDE...** Furman's 40-20 loss to Wofford on Saturday extended the Paladins' losing streak to five games. Furman, whose last win (31-7) came on Oct. 3 against Western Carolina in Greenville, has now matched its worst

FURMAN RADIO

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Calling the play-by-play action will Chuck Hussion, now in his fifth year year as "Voice of the Paladins." Joining him in the booth for his fifth season of color commentary will be John Ingles. Gordon Higgins will again serve as Furman's sideline reporter, and Dave Cohen will host the pre-game show and again deliver halftime and post-game highlights.

FURMAN ON TEAMLINE

Furman football radio broadcasts will again be available to fans on the TEAMLINE telephone service. Fans can access Furman games by dialing 1-800-846-4700 and entering Furman's four-digit access code (1109).

FURMAN ON THE INTERNET

The Furman University sports information office maintains an athletics home page on the Internet. Furman's football web site includes program quick facts, coaches' biographies, season outlook, current roster and two-deep, schedule and game statistics, cumulative statistics, press releases, ticket information, as well as information on Furman's radio network and links to the Southern Conference and NCAA.

Furman's athletics home page address:

<http://www.furman.edu/athletics>.



losing skid since the Paladins lost five straight over the course of the 1994 and '95 seasons (last three games in '94 and first two games in '95). The five consecutive losses (all against SoCon foes) are the most by the Paladins in league play since the 1972 season, when Bob King's Furman squad lost six straight conference games en route to a 2-9 finish.

✓ **THIRD LOSING SEASON SINCE '78...** Furman's 40-20 loss to Wofford on Saturday left the Paladins with only their third losing season since 1978 (21 seasons).

✓ **FRESHMEN NUMBERS GROW...** Furman's starting defensive unit in Saturday's game against Wofford included 10 freshmen, including six on defense and four on offense. The six freshmen defensive starters included tackle Steve DeBeer (Atlanta, Ga.), nose guard Ryan Spencer (Clover, S.C.), linebackers Will Bouton (Greenville, S.C.) and John Thrift (Hartwell, Ga.), and cornerbacks Richie Jackson (Cincinnati, Ohio) and Daniel Roberson (Plantation, Fla.). Thrift made his first career start in place on the injured Orlando Ruff. DeBeer and Spencer also garnered their first career starts. On offense, the Paladins' four freshmen starters included center Chris Stewart (Palm Harbor, Fla.), guard Marty Priore (Cincinnati, Ohio), tackle Donnie Littlejohn (Gaffney, S.C.), and fullback Louis Ivory (Fort Valley, Ga.). Stewart's start was the first of his career and was the result of an injury to senior Mark Foster.

✓ **FIRST LOSS TO WOFFORD SINCE '79...** Furman's 40-20 loss to Wofford on Saturday marked the Paladins' first loss to the Terriers since 1979, which, ironically, was the last time Furman played Wofford in Spartanburg. Heading into the Wofford game, Furman had compiled a 5-0-2 record against the Terriers since 1980 and had won three straight, including a 28-7 verdict last year in Greenville.

✓ **KEITH, IVORY SIDELINED FOR SEASON FINALE...** Furman's troubles with injuries this year got even worse in Saturday's game against Wofford when junior strong safety John Keith (Newnan, Ga.) and freshman fullback Louis Ivory (Fort Valley, Ga.) exited the contest with injuries. Keith's injury is a deep foot sprain that has pretty much wrecked his entire 1998 season. After starting and playing exceptional football in Furman's first two games, he sprained his foot late in the Paladins' 34-24 win over Samford on Sept. 19. Then, after sitting out the VMI game, he attempted a comeback against Western Carolina. That lasted three plays, but he still managed an interception before re-injuring his foot early in the 31-7 win over the Catamounts. After sitting out the Paladins' next three games, Keith came back and started against Georgia Southern and Wofford before going down a third time. He will undergo surgery in the next two weeks. Louis Ivory, who rushed for 161 yards and two touchdowns in the Paladins' 27-19 win over South Carolina State on Sept. 12, sprained his ankle the next week against Samford and has been slimited for much of the season. He will also sit out the UTC game after spraining his other ankle against Wofford.

✓ **RUFF OUT...** Furman All-Southern Conference

senior linebacker Orlando Ruff (Winnsboro, S.C.) suffered a knee injury early in the first quarter of Furman's 45-17 loss to Georgia Southern on Nov. 7 and is through with his collegiate career. An MRI test last Monday revealed Ruff had suffered a strained medial collateral ligament in his left knee but that no surgery was necessary. Ruff, a two-time all-conference pick and pre-season Southern Conference Defensive Player-of-the-Year selection, was Furman's leading tackler at the time of his injury with 97 stops through nine games. One of the Paladins' most durable performers over the past four seasons, Ruff's career spanned 44 games and 42 starts. He stands as Furman's fourth all-time leading tackler with 485 stops.

✓ **INJURY SNAPSHOT...** The following is a brief summary of the major injuries the Paladins have been forced to deal with this year:

Starters
 OG Mark Batluck (torn kneel ligaments vs. Samford, out for season, missed eight games)
 OT Josh Moore (sprained ankle vs. Western Carolina, missed five games)
 FB Louis Ivory (sprained ankle vs. Samford, missed three games)
 QB Justin Hill (sprained ankle vs. Citadel, missed one game)
 DT Faamata Fonoimoana (neck condition, retired after three games)
 NG Luke Kosman (neck condition, retired after two games)
 LB Orlando Ruff (sprained knee ligament vs. Ga. Southern, out for season, missed two games)
 SS John Keith (sprained foot vs. Samford, missed six games)

Others
 CB Andre Stroman (hamstring strain in pre-season, 10 starts in '97, first action vs. Ga. Southern)
 CB Bryant Huguley (hamstring strain in pre-season, started vs. UTC in '97, first action vs. ETSU)

✓ **WELLS MAKING HIS MARK...** Junior placekicker Jason Wells (Lawton, Okla.) heads into the UTC game ranked fourth on Furman's all-time kick scoring chart with 180 points. A pre-season first team All-Southern Conference selection, Wells, who connected on a career high four field goal field goal attempts, including a career best 46-yarder in the 22-19 double overtime loss to East Tennessee State on Oct. 24, is Furman's leading scorer on the season with 56 points. Wells, who converted two PATs against Wofford on Saturday, has made 28-of-48 field goal attempts and 96-of-100 PATs in almost three seasons of action.

FURMAN CAREER KICK SCORING LEADERS

Rank	Player	Years	Points
1)	Mike Wood	1986-89	225
2)	Keven Esva	1982-85	214
	Jim Richter	1992-95	214
3)	Glen Connally	1988-90	188
4)	Jason Wells	1996-	178
5)	Tim Tanguay	1980-82	177
6)	Andy Goss	1974-76	125

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SOUTHERN CONFERENCE COACHES' TELECONFERENCE

The Southern Conference will conduct a weekly teleconference throughout the 1997 season featuring the league's nine football coaches. The weekly teleconference is open to members of the media each Tuesday (September 1 - November 17) from 10:00 a.m. — 11:03 a.m. EST. Each coach will have seven minutes to make an opening statement and answer questions. The number to call is (913) 981-5508.

1998 SoCon Teleconference Schedule

10:00 a.m. —	Jerry Moore, Appalachian State
10:07 a.m. —	Don Powers, The Citadel
10:15 a.m. —	Paul Hamilton, E. Tenn. St.
10:21 a.m. —	Bobby Johnson, Furman
10:28 a.m. —	Paul Johnson, Ga. Southern
10:35 a.m. —	Buddy Green, Chattanooga
10:42 a.m. —	Ted Cain, VMI
10:49 a.m. —	Bill Bleil, Western Carolina
10:56 a.m. —	Mike Ayers, Wofford

