



The Zeke Zone.....Knights' Football

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The Ezekiel Academy Knights traveled to Montevallo Thursday night to take on the Evangel Lightning in the conference championship game. The Knights came up short, falling to the Lightning by a final score of 64-20.

For much of the first quarter, the two teams traded blows. Evangel opened the scoring with a Micah Murphy touchdown run. The junior quarterback would go on to rush for four more on the night.

Ezekiel would quickly answer back as sophomore Matthew Harrison stripped the ball away from Murphy and returned it to the end zone to make the score 8-6 after a failed two-point conversion attempt. After another Murphy touchdown for the Lightning, the Knights put the ball in the hands of senior Matt Seay, who took it 59 yards to the Evangel six-yard line.



After a pair of handoffs to sophomore Griffin White to get the ball to the one-yard line, the Knights ran quarterback sneak plays on both third and fourth down with senior Ryan Munroe. Munroe appeared to get in on both occasions, but the ball was given back to Evangel on a pair of controversial calls by the officials.

Controversial calls seemed to litter the rest of the evening, as Evangel broke the game open after the turnover on downs.

Quarterback Ryan Munroe finished the game with 175 passing yards, throwing for a pair of touchdowns and an interception. Senior receiver Wheeler Sefton led the team in receiving with 65 yards, also posting seven tackles.

Running back Griffin White finished with 36 yards and scored one of the Knights' three touchdowns on a 64-yard catch-and-run off of a halfback screen.

Courtesy of his 59-yard run, receiver Matt Seay led the Knights in rushing and also caught four passes for a combined 46 yards.

Senior quarterback Ryan Munroe on the team's season: "It was a great season. We overcame a lot of injuries and had a lot of young guys play. I was really proud of our offensive line towards the end of the season. We had guys that have never played offensive line before. Our defense played outstanding the whole year and caused many three-and-outs. I am proud to have been a part of this team for my last year."

Head Coach Dale Munroe: "The team had a great season. I am very proud of this team and what they have done this year. I have truly enjoyed coaching them the last 3 years. I look forward to seeing how our excellent coaching staff takes these young men to the next level."

Thursday night concluded the 2015 Ezekiel Academy Knights football season. The Knights had a great season, one that saw many exciting moments. The Knights are the conference runner-ups, and finish with a record of 7-4.