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Vols find defense still wins

In this era of glamour, glitz and glorified offenses, the old adage that defense wins championships has all but gone extinct.

Instead, college and even pro football teams often concentrate on elaborate offensive attacks in the hopes of outscoring opponents and keeping fans on their feet. Meanwhile, defenses — to borrow a Sports-Center phrase — can only hope to contain their explosive opposition.

But Monday night's inaugural Bowl Championship Series national title game at the Fiesta Bowl boiled down to a classic defensive battle between No. 1 Tennessee and No. 2 Florida State.

Ultimately, the difference in the Volunteers' (13-0) championship-clinching, 23-16 victory over the Seminoles was Tennessee's ability to shut down Florida State's prime offensive target, wide receiver Peter Warrick, while the Vols' leading man, wide receiver Peerless Price, was able to break two big plays.

Price caught four passes from quarterback Tee Martin for 199 yards, with the majority of that yardage compiled on a 76-yard bomb that led to Tennessee's first touchdown in the second quarter

and a 79-yard lightning bolt that pushed the Vols to a 20-9 lead in the fourth quarter and effectively burnt any Seminole championship hopes.

Besides those two big plays, the Florida State defense, ranked No. 1 nationally, matched Tennessee's defense punishing tackle for punishing tackle. But the Vol defense produced a touchdown of its own on a 54-yard interception return by Dwayne Goodrich in the second quarter and limited the electrifying Warrick to one reception for seven yards.

Tennessee was an underdog heading into the game, and I admit I was among those who did not believe the Volunteers could clinch their first national title since 1951. It seemed all season long — seeing the close calls against Syracuse, Florida and Arkansas — that Tennessee was merely delaying an inevitable loss with late-game heroics and/or luck.

Plus, it was inconceivable to me, and I assume countless others, that the Vols could win a national title a season after losing star quarterback Peyton Manning to the NFL draft, where he was selected No. 1 by Indianapolis.

But to Tennessee's credit, it successfully fought the doubts and odds throughout the season-long odyssey that was the BCS' first run and ended up on top of the college football landscape.

Even though game-breaking

tailback Jamal Lewis was lost to injury early in the season, Martin, Price, a steady running game and a dominating defense led by powerful linebacker Al Wilson vaulted the Southeastern Conference champion Vols all the way to the Fiesta Bowl's postgame winner's podium.

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countless offensive fireworks from Ricky Williams' Heisman run to the plethora of record-breaking quarterbacks.

In the last year of the century, a time of world-changing technology and sports-world altering offense, defense still reigned supreme in college football when all was done.

And Bob Barker is assuredly pleased, because the Price was indeed also right for the Vols on Monday night.

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