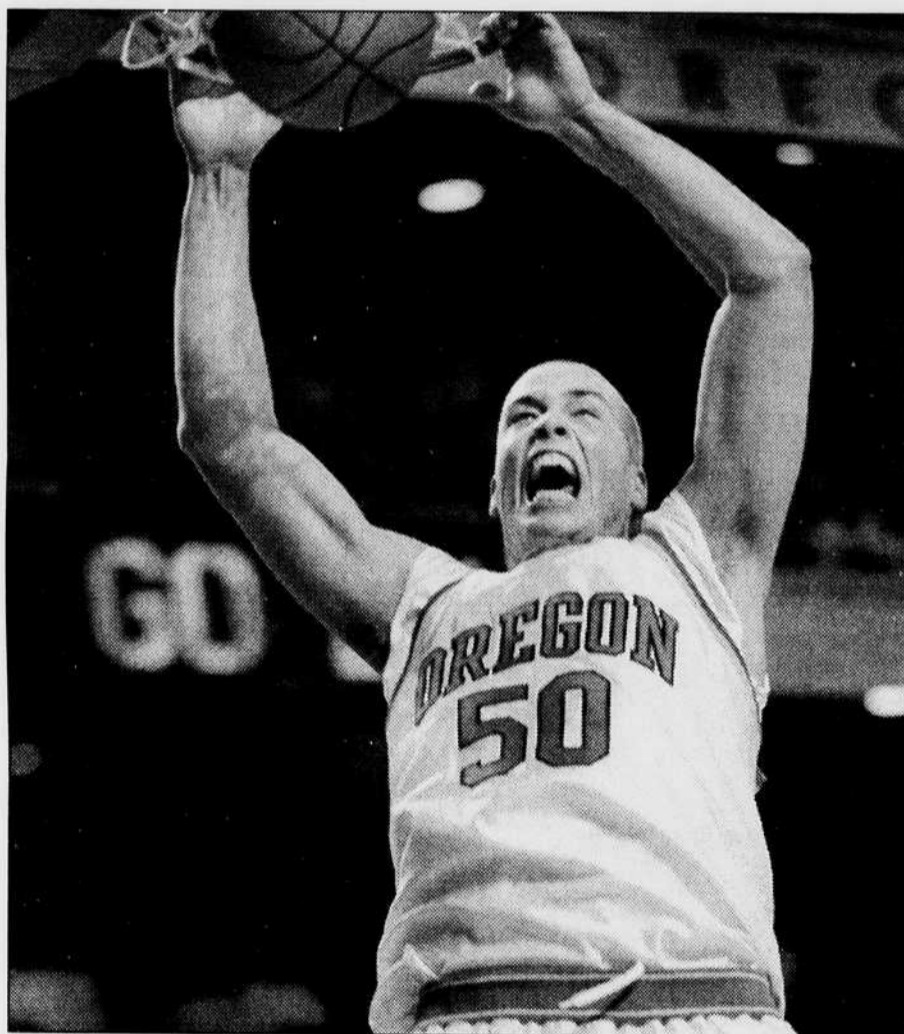


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Senior center Mike Carson ended his career with this emphatic slam dunk Saturday.

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threes.

"It definitely feels good going out of here with a win," Brown said. "People remember you for your last game, and we went out there and played hard."

Carson struggled from the field, making just one of his six attempts, but nevertheless contributed four points, six rebounds, three assists and one block.

Forward A.D. Smith produced the kind of efficient effort he has consistently displayed, scoring 18 points on seven-of-10 shooting and grabbing a team-high eight rebounds.

Point guard Darius Wright scored 10 points to go along with his five assists, and freshman Freddie Jones made his first five shots on the way to 12 points, six assists and four rebounds.

The Ducks took charge from the get-go, using an 8-0 run that featured two Brown threes to grab a 12-4 lead with 16 minutes, eight seconds to play in the first half. Oregon went on to claim its largest lead of the half at 26-11 on a Jones three with 9:26 left to play.

From that point, Cal methodically crept back into the game by making 17-of-25 free throws. After missing his first attempt, Thomas Kilgore, who scored 20 points on seven-of-17 shooting, made his second free throw to pull the Bears within 40-36 with 58 seconds remaining.

But Skouson Harker's tipin with 43 seconds left boosted the Ducks to a 42-37 halftime lead.

*"We are not in the NCAAs, but I think we'd be a good NCAA team. I feel that's our destiny down the road."*

**Ernie Kent**  
UO head coach

"I hope nobody will say we blew a lead in the first half because Cal really battled," Kent said.

In the second half, Oregon immediately snatched back both momentum and control. Scales' seven points and two more Brown threes highlighted a 19-5 Duck run that propelled Oregon to a 61-42 edge at 15:48.

"We finally settled back down, regained our focus and got the job done," Brown said.

This time, the Ducks protected their advantage by shooting 20 of 35 from the floor in the second half. The Bears never got closer than 11 points the rest of the way.

"We knew this was our opportunity to secure a spot in the [NCAA Tournament]," lamented Cal senior guard Geno Carlisle, who scored 18 points. "They played great. They always do."

"I think they're one of the top teams in the league."

Forward Sean Lampley paced the Bears with 21 points and 11 rebounds.

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