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Gonzaga defeats depleted UM

By Jim Cour

SEATTLE - The Gonzaga Bulldogs figured Minnesota had something to prove and they were right.

'If they had only five guys, we knew they were going to come out and play," Gonzaga's Matt Santangelo said after the Bulldogs held on in the second half to beat the depleted Gophers 75-63 in a firstround game in the NCAA West Regional Thursday.

'I think this game shows you the character and class of the people at the University of Minnesota," Gophers coach Clem Haskins said. "We were shorthanded, but we're not making any excuses.'

Richie Frahm scored 26 points, including five 3-pointers, and the Bulldogs (26-6) needed almost all of them for the school's first NCAA tournament victory.

The Gophers (17-11) were missing four players who were ruled ineligible because of allegations of academic fraud. And two of the remaining eight players - Joel Przybilla and Kevin Nathiel - fouled

In addition, Kyle Sanden of the Gophers could not play because of a sprained ankle he suffered in practice Wednesday.

Less than five hours after find-

ing out they couldn't play, Gophers Kevin Clark, Miles Tarver, Jason Stanford and Antoine Broxsie tried to cheer their team into the second round of the tournament and they almost succeeded.

Trailing by 21 points, 51-30, early in the second half, Minnesota almost caught Gonzaga with a ragtag lineup that featured Dusty Rychart. Rychart had career highs of 23 points and 17 rebounds.

Rychart, a freshman walk-on forward, found out he was going to make his first start Thursday

"I knew I had to give it my best shot," Rychart said.

Minnesota cut the Bulldogs' lead to 65-63 when Rychart sank two free throws with 1:43 to go.

But that ended the Gophers' run. "We missed some good shots and then we got a little tentative," Gonzaga coach Dan Monson said.

Frahm, who made five of 11 3point attempts, responded with his first of the second half with 1:21 left. For Gonzaga, a school that John Stockton played for and Bing Crosby attended, it was the biggest shot of the day.

That just shows you what kind of a player Richie is," Monson

"I'm still shocked that I shot it.

I'm sure glad it went down," Frahm said

Casey Calvary of Gonzaga followed Frahm's critical 3-pointer with a fastbreak dunk and hit a free throw after he was fouled by Rychart with a minute to go.

Santangelo and Frahm each had two freethrows in the final 48 seconds.

Gonzaga, playing in front of a friendly crowd in its home state, had four players in double figures.

Santangelo had 14 points and eight assists, Jeremy Eaton had 12 points and Quentin Hall had 10 points. Calvary had 11 rebounds. For Minnesota, Mitch Ohnstad,

starting his first game of the season, had 12 points. But Quincy Lewis of the Gophers struggled to get eight points on 3-of-19 shooting.

Lewis, the Big Ten scoring winner who averaged 23.7 points as a senior, was stopped by design, Monson said.

'We used a diamond and one defense on him," Monson ex-plained. "If we were going to get beat, it was going to be by somebody besides him.

Lewis said it was hard to go out a loser under the circumstances that Minnesota was under.

"Stuff happens," he said. "It was hard, basically. What if? What if? I'm just going to leave it at that."

Funeral held for Yankee Clipper

By Steve Wilstein

SAN FRANCISCO - His brother's words inside the church and the crowd's emotional farewell outside perfectly captured the two sides of Joe DiMaggio — the quiet, dignified, reclusive man, and the Joltin' Joe who stirred fans' passions.

Dominic DiMaggio, the last of the three sons of Italian immigrants who played in the major leagues, spoke little about baseball in his brief eulogy Thursday and more about his brother's quest for privacy, his love of children and the one significant hollow in his life

Joe DiMaggio grew up playing on the sandlots of San Francisco, Dominic told a private gathering at Sts. Peter and Paul Church, and had everything in a Hall of Fame career, except the right woman to share his life. He mar-

ried twice - in this church in 1939 to actress Dorothy Arnold, and at San Francisco's City Hall in 1954 to Marilyn Monroe but never found happiness in marriage.

To fill that void, Dominic said, Joe DiMaggio dedicated his life away from baseball to helping children, privately and publicly, including the establishment of a children's wing at a hospital in Hollywood, Fla.

About 80 family members and friends, along with baseball commissioner Bud Selig, attended the funeral Mass for the Yankee Clipper, who died Monday at his Florida home at the age of 84. The mahogany casket, set before the ornate marble altar under a golden dome, remained closed.

There were no baseball mementos, nothing to suggest the enormity of DiMaggio's impact on the game and American cul-

Outside, a small crowd of about 200 came to pay its respects, and when the hour-long service ended and the hearse drove off to Holy Cross Cemetery in nearby Colma, there were cries of "Goodbye, Joe," accompanied by respectful, spontaneous ap-

One of those who came was J.D. Reynolds, son of former New York Yankees pitcher Allie Reynolds, who flew from his home in Mustang, Okla. As a child, Reynolds hung out in the Yankee clubhouse, where his father had a locker two down from DiMaggio's.

'My dad said DiMaggio was the greatest player he had ever seen," Reynolds said. "My dad said he had a great record because, when he was pitching, someone would hit one and Joe would run a mile to catch it.'

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