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# Dunleavy Leads Duke to NCAA Crown

## Former Jesuit Star Buries Five 3-Pointers

Add another crown to the Duke dynasty. The Blue Devils won their third NCAA basketball title under coach Mike Krzyzewski with an 82-72 victory over Arizona at the Hubert H. Humphrey

night. Dunleavy was Oregon Prep Player of the Year in his senior year at Jesuit. Dunleavy's father, Mike Sr., is the coach of the Portland Trailblazers and played college

ers in a game until the national final. The Blue Devils also got 16 points from their other superb sophomore, Jason Williams, and 18 points and 11 rebounds from senior leader Shane Battier.

Arizona was led by 7-1 center Loren Woods with 22 points, 11 rebounds and four blocked shots. Richard Jefferson scored 19 for the Wildcats with four 3-pointers.

Dunleavy, who was 1-for-6 in the first half, shot Duke to a 10-point lead with three consecutive 3-pointers in the second half.

Dunleavy's third 3-pointer, with 16:17 left, came after Battier blocked Jason Gardner's shot in the lane to start a Duke fast break.

A steal by Williams led to his free throw, which gave Duke an 11-point lead, 50-39, with 16 minutes left.

Arizona used its quickness to reel off nine straight points and pull within two, 50-48. The Wildcats had a chance to tie, but Jefferson missed from point-

blank range on a baseline drive.

Dunleavy then scored two more baskets, the second an open-court dunk off an Arizona turnover, and Duke was up by six, 54-48, with 12 minutes to play. Dunleavy hit another huge 3-pointer with 10:08 left to push Duke's lead back to double-digits, 61-51.

Arizona cut Duke's lead to three points on four separate occasions in the last 5:28, but each time Duke had an answer. Battier willed in a tip-in, then dunked on a baseline cut to keep Arizona from having a chance to tie the score.

Then Williams sent home a 3-pointer with 1:44 left to put Duke ahead, 80-72.

Duke was playing in its ninth championship game, and its seventh in the last 16 years under Krzyzewski. The Blue Devils had won two previous titles, in 1991 and 1992, with the last also coming at Minneapolis in the Metrodome.

Duke has advanced to the Final Four 13 times in school history, and nine times under Krzyzewski, to tie Kentucky for third place in all-time Final Four appearances. North Carolina has

the most with 15, and UCLA is second with 14.

Arizona and Duke were Nos. 1 and 2, respectively, in the pre-season Associated Press Top 25 poll. They played just as close in the first half, with Arizona holding a slim advantage until Duke took an 18-17 lead. Williams broke a tie just before intermission with a drive to the basket to give the Blue Devils a 35-33 lead.

Duke played with fire in the first half when Williams picked up his second foul with 15:21 left in the period. Williams subbed in and out the rest of the half and avoided a third foul despite guarding Luke Walton, who has a six-inch height advantage.

With the victory, Duke is 133-15 since the 1998, an NCAA record for the most victories over

a four-year stretch. Kentucky's 1995-98 and 1996-99 teams won 132 games in four years.

Arizona had dedicated its season to the memory of Bobbi Olson, the wife of coach Lute Olson, who died of cancer Jan. 1. Lute Olson missed three weeks of the season, six games in all, to care for, and then grieve for, his wife, who had become a surrogate mother to the players.

The court at Arizona's McKale Center is named Lute and Bobbi Olson court, and Arizona fans wore buttons inscribed with the "Four Bobbi" motto.

The Wildcats were attempting to defeat three No. 1 seeds for only the second time in NCAA history. The only other time was when Arizona won the title in 1997.



Mike Dunleavy Jr. leads his team to a national championship.

Metrodome in Minneapolis, Minn.

A member of college basketball royalty, sophomore Mike Dunleavy, led Duke to the victory with 21 points Monday

basketball at South Carolina.

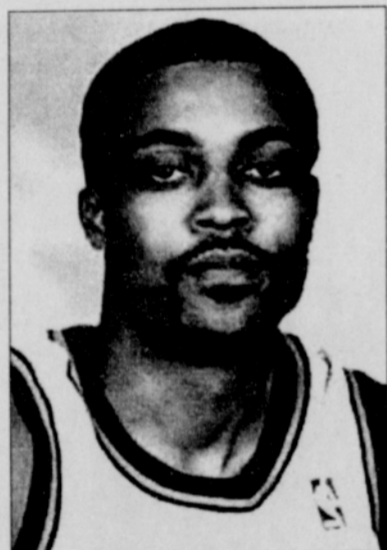
Dunleavy buried five 3-pointers, four of them in the second half, to push Duke (35-4) past Arizona (28-8). He had never made more than three 3-point-

# Drunken Driving Conviction Sends Strickland to Jail

(AP) - Portland Trail Blazers guard Rod Strickland pleaded guilty Monday to driving under the influence of alcohol and was sentenced to 10 days in jail. U.S. Magistrate Judge Barry Poretz in suburban Alexandria, Va., also put Strickland on supervised probation for two years and ordered him to attend substance abuse counseling and pay about \$1,000 in fines.

When Strickland was arrested for driving under the influence on Jan. 7, he was playing for the Washington Wizards. An officer pulled him over after watching his Cadillac swerve across the George Washington Memorial Parkway, according to a police report.

A prosecutor and Strickland's at-



Rod Strickland

torney both asked that the player not be required to serve the jail time until the current NBA season end. Poretz referred the matter to the federal probation office.

Strickland was arrested four times during his five years as a Wizard. He was waived by the team in March and he signed with the Trail Blazers soon after. Strickland's last brush with the law was in October, when he was arrested for refusing to leave a restaurant that was being shut by fire marshals.

Before that, he was arrested in April 1999, and charged with driving under the influence and reckless driving. Five months later, he was found not guilty by a jury on the DUI charge and by a judge on the reckless driving charge.

# UCLA Assistant Coach to Lead Pilots

(AP) - Michael Holton, a UCLA assistant and former NBA player, was hired as the basketball coach at Portland and Pasadena City College. Holton played four seasons at UCLA, from 1980-83, and played six seasons in the NBA with Phoenix, Chicago, Portland and Charlotte.

He was on Chavez's staff for one season, in 1994-95, when the Pilots won 21 games, their most since 1951-52. The following year, Chavez guided the team to a 19-11 record and its first

NCAA tournament since 1959. But the Pilots then slipped to 9-18 the following season, and the team had only one more winning campaign, 14-13 in 1997-98. Chavez, who coached at Chemeketa Community College in Salem for five seasons and at Maryland-Eastern Shore for two before coming to Portland in 1994, had a record of 93-102 in seven seasons with the Pilots.

assistant coach at Oregon State, Portland and Pasadena City College.

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