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Schimmel Shines in NCAA Tourney

Former Franklin standout scores 22 points

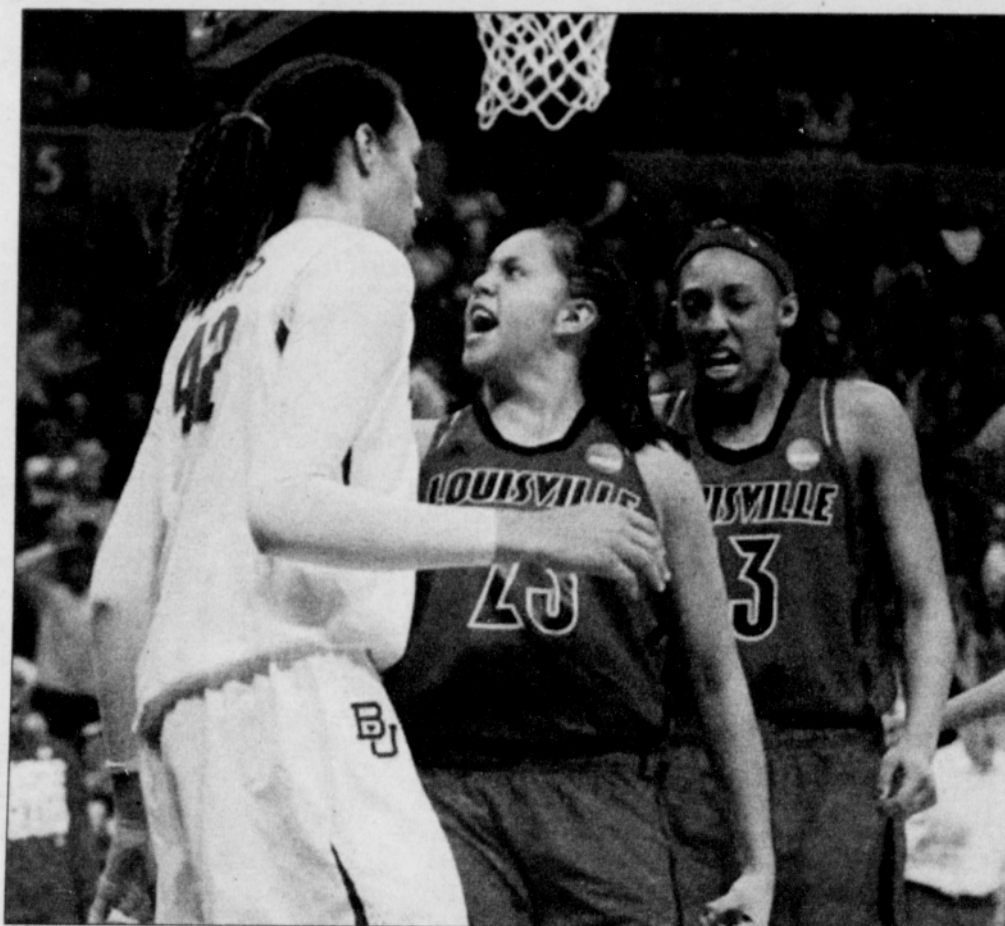
(AP) -- In one of the biggest upsets in the history of the NCAA women's tournament, fifth-seeded Louisville stunned defending national champion Baylor 82-81 in the regional semifinals on Sunday night.

Shoni Schimmel, a former standout at Portland's Franklin High, scored 22 points and Monique Reid hit two free throws with 2.6 seconds left to send the Cardinals to the win.

The Bears had been practically invincible for the past four months, winning 32 straight games mostly by double digits.

Louisville (27-8) tied an NCAA record with 16 three-pointers to pull off the upset.

It was the end of a remarkable college career for All-American



Louisville's Shoni Schimmel (center), the former Franklin High School standout, reacts after a shot over Baylor's Brittney Griner (left), in Sunday's upset victory in the NCAA women's tournament. Schimmel scored 22 points.

Brittney Griner, a record-setting 6-foot-8 post player who wound up as the second-highest scoring player in NCAA history.

Griner, who had averaged 33 points in Baylor's first two games in the tournament, didn't make a basket until she converted a putback with 15:20 left in the second half. She wound up with 14 points and 10 rebounds, making only four of her 10 shots.

Louisville surrounded Griner and her teammates were often unable to hit outside shots and relieve the pressure.

Odyssey Sims scored 29 points, including two free throws with 9.1 seconds to go that put Baylor ahead 81-80. Sims had one more chance to save the season, but she was off-target and late on a desperation heave.

Jude Schimmel, Shoni's sister finished with six points, five rebounds and three assists.

Athlete Killed on Spring Break

(AP) -- Police say a Lewis & Clark football player visiting his family in San Francisco was shot and killed a block from his family's home after a gunman approached him and asked if he was a member of a gang.

Nineteen-year-old Jacob Valdiviezo was shot after the gunman got out of a car, walked up to Valdiviezo and a friend as they walked to the home in the city's Mission District around 3 a.m. Saturday.

Officer Albie Esparza, a police spokesman, described Valdiviezo as a "very good kid" with no gang affiliations.

Family members say Valdiviezo was an athlete who graduated with honors from San Francisco's Archbishop Riordan High School, before going to Lewis and Clark/

He was a sophomore at the university, where he was a wide receiver on the football team.



Recovering from Broken Leg

Louisville Coach Rick Pitino and Richard Pitino visit guard Kevin Ware at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis. Ware, 20, underwent successful surgery Sunday night to repair the open fracture of his right tibia that he sustained during Sunday's NCAA Midwest Regional final.

Louisville Tops Ducks

Oregon makes a game out it late

(AP) -- Russ Smith matched his career high with 31 points to lead three Cardinals in double figures as top-seeded Louisville beat Oregon 77-69 on Friday night.

Kevin Ware added 11 and Gorgui Dieng had 10 points and nine rebounds for Louisville.

"We dug ourselves a pretty big hole and weren't able to come back," Oregon coach Dana Altman said. "Louisville is a very good basketball team and very talented. Smith got going to the basket and we just never got him slowed down."

The 12th-seeded Ducks (28-9) at least made a game of it late. After Louisville went up 66-48 with 9:01 left,

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Louisville center Gorgui Dieng shoots over Oregon forward Arsalan Kazemi during their Midwest Regional semifinal game in Indianapolis on Friday. (AP photo)



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