



2006 Big 12 Softball Championship ASA Hall of Fame Stadium Oklahoma City, Okla. ~ May 10

Game 2 -- #7 Missouri 6, #10 Texas Tech 3 (Texas Tech eliminated)

Centerfielder Micaela Minner and pitcher Jen Bruck each doubled in two RBI to lead seventh seed Missouri to a 6-3 win over 10th seed Texas Tech in a play-in game at the Big 12 Softball Championship.

Texas Tech opened the scoring in the top of first when designated player Brandy Moulin doubled in leftfielder Devin Zaragoza. MU came back with two runs in the bottom of the inning to take the lead for good when Miner doubled in rightfielder Janessa Roening and leftfielder Leanne Bowers.

The Tigers added two more runs in both the third and fourth innings to take a 6-1 lead. Bruck doubled in Roening and Bowers in the third inning. In the fourth shortstop Andee Allen scored on a throwing error while catcher Kathy Masterson scored on a Roening single.

Texas Tech put together a comeback in the top of the seventh as Brooke Neuman and Heather Parker both scored, but it wasn't enough.

Bruck (22-19) went the distance for Missouri, giving up three runs, two earned, while recording five strikeouts and three base on balls. Erin Crawford (11-18) took the loss for Texas Tech with four earned runs in two innings. Julie Hauck gave up two runs, one earned, in three innings while Sarah Losleben gave up no hits in a scoreless sixth inning.

Missouri Quotes

Coach Ty Singleton

"Obviously we're pleased because this allows us to now be in the double elimination portion of the tournament. I was pleased with our bats getting us some hits and we look forward to playing this next one. We need to get hot, I can't say we have been playing well, so we need to get hot."

Pitcher Jen Bruck

"It was good to go out and see us hit the ball hard and go out and play like we're capable of playing. We did perform offensively like we're capable of performing and that makes it exciting that we were able to get the victory. We're here to win and this is basically our only opportunity to play in the postseason, so we're here to win it all and make an impact in the tournament."

Texas Tech Quotes

Coach Teresa Wilson

If we would have played like we did in the first and seventh innings, we would have been alright. I am happy with how our girls came out, I am happy with the way they fought in the end. We just were unable to do what we needed to in the middle innings. Missouri did a nice job putting the ball in play, they are a good hitting club."

Centerfielder Ashley Parker

"We came out and got ahead early, but were unable to hold our lead. We had a hard comeback at the end though."