



2006 Big 12 Softball Championship ASA Hall of Fame Stadium Oklahoma City, Okla. ~ May 11

Game 10 -- #6 Kansas 2, #7 Missouri 0

Kansas' Kassie Humphreys pitched a one-hit shutout to lead the No. 6 seed Jayhawks (32-24) over No. 7 seed Missouri (25-26) 2-0 in the Big 12 Softball Championship.

Humphreys (15-16) struck out seven and walked only one. She also had a hit and scored a run. Third baseman Val Chapple had two hits, scored a run and knocked one in. Chapple scored in the first after leading off the game with a single to left field. She moved to second on a sacrifice bunt by Stevie Crisosto and scored on Serena Settlemier's double.

In the fifth Humphreys singled with two outs. After a single by pinch hitter Nettie Fierros, Chapple brought Humphreys home.

MU's Jen Bruck (23-20) suffered the loss. She gave up seven hits, both runs earned and struck out two with no walks. Andee Allen got Mizzou's only hit when she singled in the fifth with two outs. She was then caught stealing at second.

Kansas advances to Friday's 4:30 p.m. game against the winner of the 11 a.m. Nebraska vs. Oklahoma State contest. The 4:30 p.m. game will be broadcast on FSN. Missouri will face Texas A&M at 1:30 p.m.

Kansas Quotes

Coach Tracy Bunge

"We are sitting in a great position because we have two pitchers throwing the ball extremely well right now. We have taken a lot of pressure off our pitchers by scoring early in two-straight ballgames. We are getting production from different parts of the lineup and are starting to come together at the right time."

"We know Nebraska like the back of our hand and they know us. Oklahoma State has been playing well this tournament and they can beat anybody. It will be interesting to see who we end up getting tomorrow, but we are just anxious to get on the field and continue playing."

Pitcher Kassie Humphreys

"This is the best team effort we have had this season. We are doing everything as a team and having fun doing it. We are getting ahead early and setting the tone for the rest of the game, which is very important."

Missouri Quotes

Coach Ty Singleton

"I thought that Kassie (Humphreys) threw great for Kansas. Not only that, but the defense was making the plays behind her. We just couldn't get the hits we needed tonight in order to come up with the win. Jen (Bruck) threw well for us tonight, only giving up two runs. We should have been able to get those back though."