

2010 Phillips 66 Big 12 Men's Basketball Championship SPRINT CENTER: March 12, 2010

Game Notes: No. 1 Kansas 79 Texas A&M 66

Kansas improves to 27-7 all-time in the Big Championship and 8-4 in semifinal games. Kansas advances to the finals for the 8th time.

Texas A&M falls to 4-14 all-time in the Big 12 Championship and 0-3 in semifinal games.

Kansas and Texas A&M's only other Big 12 Championship match-up was in the semifinals in 2008 at Sprint Center in Kansas City. Kansas won that game 77-71.

Kansas head coach **Bill Self** notches his 200th win at KU making him the fastest Kansas coach to reach the 200-victory plateau.

Kansas has now at least 31 wins for the 7th time in school history including three of the last four years.

Kansas has now defeated Texas A&M five straight times.

Today's game vs. Kansas was **Texas A&M's** third game this season against the nation's topranked team. It was only the 6^{th} time in A&M history that the Aggies have played the No. 1 ranked team in the country.

Kansas was **Texas A&M's** 11th nationally-ranked opponent of the season. Only Illinois, who defeated No. 17 Wisconsin earlier today, has played 11 nationally-ranked teams this season. The Aggies are now 4-7 vs. nationally-ranked teams this season.

Kansas center **Cole Aldrich** became the 52nd player in KU history to pass 1,000 points for his career.

Cole Aldrich moved into 2nd place on Kansas' all-time blocked shots list with 244, passing Eric Chenowith and Nick Collison.

Kansas guard **Sherron Collins** moved into 5th place on the Big 12 Championship career assist list with ??, passing former Jayhawks Mario Chalmers and Kirk Hinrich, as well as Oklahoma's Hollis Price.

Sherron Collins equaled a season-high with nine field goals and notched 20-plus points for the 27th time in his career.

Kansas committed six turnovers before the first T.V. timeout.

Texas A&M guard **Donald Sloan** tallied 20-plus points for the 12th time this season.

Texas A&M freshman **Khris Middleton** has scored in double-digits in each of his last three games and is averaging 15.1 ppg. in those three games. Middleton entered the Big 12 Championship averaging 6.4 ppg.

Texas A&M's Brian Davis matched a season-high with four assists for the second straight game.

Brian Davis went scoreless for the first time this season.

Alternate official Randy Heimerman replaced Steve Olson at the 7:23 mark in the first half.