

2019 Missouri Valley Conference Women's Basketball Tournament

Quarterfinal Round - Game 4

No. 4 Illinois State 61, vs. No. 5 Bradley 55

Friday, March 15, 2019 *The TaxSlayer Center, Moline, Ill.

SERIES STANDINGS – Illinois State leads the all-time series with Bradley 49-27, but much of the Redbird edge was built during a 15-game ISU winning streak from 2006-13.

HEAD TO HEAD IN 2019 – Bradley swept the Birds, out-performing Illinois State a combined 48-62 (.790) to 18-27 (.667) at the free throw line ... Jan. 26 in Normal, **Tete Maggett** poured in 23 points for the Redbirds, but Bradley's **Lasha Petree** led 4 Braves in double figures with 21 points as Bradley downed Illinois State 79-68. Bradley's 15-17 free throw shooting in the 4th quarter helped BU pull away from the Birds, who were within 1 point of the lead at the 4-minute mark of the 3rd quarter ... In the rematch, **Lexy Kodelka** had career highs of 20 points and 10 rebounds for Illinois State, but Bradley's balance again made the difference as the Braves bolted from a 28-28 halftime tie to a 75-65 win Feb. 22 in Peoria. **Chelsea Brackmann** led the Braves with 14 points, 15 rebounds and 4 steals.

TOURNAMENT TYPE – Illinois State is making its first trip to the semis since 2014 ... ILSU has won all 4 Valley Tournament games vs. Bradley, all quarterfinals (1996, 2007, 2013 and 2018). Although Illinois State and BU have appeared in 27 tournaments each, this is the Redbirds' first No. 4 seed and the Braves' first No. 5 seed ... Illinois State is 23-23 all-time in Valley Tournament games, with 4 championships—the most-recent in 2008. The Birds are 10-11 in quarterfinal games. No. 4 seeds are 22-28 in tournament play with 3 championships. ... Bradley is 8-28 all-time in the Valley Tournament and has never played in the title game. BU is 2-19 in quarterfinal games. No. 5 seeds are 14-26 all-time, with just 1 title (UNI, 2010) ... No. 4 seeds are 16-11 in games vs. No. 5 seeds.

REDBIRD FLIGHTS – Simone Goods, with 12 career double-doubles in 2 years, is tied for No. 10 on the ILSU career list. Goods and **TeTe Maggett** have combined for 53 percent of ILSU's points (992 of 1882), Since Feb. 2, Illinois State's 8-2 Valley was behind only Drake's 10-0 ... **Katrina Beck** has score 47 points combined in her last 4 games—25 percent of her season total of 194 ... **Viria Livingston's** 10 points were a season-high ... **Simone Goods** has 520 points this season, 11th on the ILSU single-season list ...**Tete Maggett** had a career-high 4 steals for ILSU.

BRAVES BANTER – Chelsea Brackmann's 10 rebounds made her the all-time single-season Bradley leader with 327. She has a league-leading 15 double-doubles this season ... Freshman Lasha Petree's 24 points in her BU debut were the most by a Bradley freshman in her first game. With 22 combined today, Petree and **Tatum Koenig** combined for 547 points for the year, 2nd best total by a freshman duo in Bradley history. ... The Braves are the only Valley team with 3 players averaging at least 12 ppg (**Gabi Haack, Brackmann** and **Petree**) Bradley collected its first 20-win season since 2009 (its 3rd in program history) and 1st regular-season Valley winning record (10-8) since 2010.

FIRST QUARTER RECAP – Simone Goods hit 2 free throws and a layup to put ILSU ahead 6-4 with 5:29 left, but, 50 seconds later, **Tete Maggett** went to the bench with her 2nd foul ... ILSU led 10-9 after a quarter which saw the teams combine for 7-26 from the field, 5-9 from the free throw line and 8 turnovers. Five Bradley players scored in the quarter ... ILS is 14-3 when leading after 1 quarter ... BU is 5-9 when trailing after 1 quarter.

SECOND QUARTER RECAP – In the first 5:08, Bradley hit 5-8 field goals to go on a 13-5 run to take a 22-15 lead with 4:52 left on an **Ellie Spelhaug** 3-pointer ... **Viria Livingston's** layup and a free throw by **Tete Maggett** got ILSU within 22-18, but a 2-pointer and a 3-pointer by **Lasha Petree** helped BU take a 29-23 lead into halftime thanks to 8-16 from the field in the 2nd quarter. ILSU was 8-26 for the half ... ILS is 5-7 when trailing at halftime ... BU is 14-1 when leading at halftime.

THIRD QUARTER RECAP – Tete Maggett scored ILSU's last 6 points of the lst half and first basket of the 3rd quarter as the Birds closed the gap to 29-28 before **Chelsea Brackman** scored inside to pull BU to 31-28. After the teams traded baskets, **Simone Goods** hit a bucket and one to tie the game at 33-33. The game was tied 3 more times before Goods hit 2 free throws to give ILSU a 43-41 lead heading into the 4th quarter. ILS is 13-1 when leading after 3 quarters ... BU is 2-10 when trailing after 3 quarters.

FOURTH QUARTER RECAP – Viria Livingston, **Katrina Beck** and **Simone Goods** scored on ILSU's first 3 possessions to give the Birds their largest lead, 49-41 with 8:20 left .. **Lasha Petree** hit a 3-pointer to draw Bradley within 49-44 with 7:47 left ... **Gabi Haack's** bucket-and-one with 2:59 left got BU within 54-49. ILSU maintained at least a 4-point lead down to 33 seconds left, when Petree's layup made it 58-54 ... **Kayel Newland** split a pair of free throws with 21.9 left and ILSU led 59-54 ... **Chelsea Brackmann** missed a 3-pointer and **Katrina Beck** sealed the deal for Illinois State with a pair of free throws.