

**GASPARILLA BOWL
MAESHALL VS USF**

TAMPA, Fla. -- It was a family affair as Marshall ended the season with another bowl victory.

Isaiah Green completed 17 of 25 passes for 221 yards, cousin Keion Davis ran for two touchdowns and Marshall beat South Florida 38-20 in the Gasparilla Bowl on Thursday night.

"It's fun to get to play my senior year with my cousin, sharing the experience," said Davis, who was the game MVP.

Marshall, 6-0 in bowl games under head coach Doc Holliday, gained 503 yards. The Thundering Herd (9-4) had 282 rushing yards and 221 rushing the air.

"It was my first time contributing to a (bowl) win," Green said. "It feels good to be able to show people that just because I'm a freshman doesn't mean I can't play this game like I'm not a freshman."

Green also had a touchdown run in the first quarter, while Davis' second TD -- from 16 yards out -- put the Thundering Herd ahead 38-20 with 6 1/2 minutes to play.

Davis had 94 yards on 14 carries, while Brenden Knox gained 93 yards on 12 rushes -- all during the first half.

Knox left with a broken hand, giving Davis extended playing time. Davis entered with 308 rushing yards and one TD in eight games.

"Keion is a special player," Holliday said. "He makes things happen every time he gets the opportunity to play."

Blake Barnett, slowed by shoulder and ankle injuries, replaced Chris Oladokun for South Florida 10 minutes into the game and completed 11 of 23 passes for 212 yards. Barnett, a transfer from Arizona State who also started one game for Alabama in 2016, sat out two of the Bulls' previous three games.

USF (7-6) lost the bowl game played on its regular-season home field to end the season by losing six in a row after a 7-0 start.

"We know this, there's work that needs to be done in the program, and we've got to go get it done," coach Charlie Strong said.

Green scored on an 10-yard dash and Anthony Anderson had an one-yard TD run over a 37-second span as Marshall took a 14-0 lead with 4:43 left in the first. The second score was set up by Darius Hodge's fumble recovery and 29-yard return after Barnett couldn't handle a high snap.

After USF wide receiver Tyre McCants took a direct snap and threw a 38-yard touchdown pass to Randall St. Felix, the Thundering Herd went up 21-7 during the final minute of the first on Knox's eight-yard TD run.

St. Felix had six receptions for a school-bowl record 165 yards.

Marshall has outscored its opponent 101-39 in the first quarter this season.

Davis' 5-yard run made it 28-7 with 90 seconds left in the second.

USF got to 28-10 on Coby Weiss' 22-yard field goal four seconds before halftime.

South Florida settled for a 31-yard field goal by Weiss on a second-half opening 14-play drive.

"We were in position to make some plays and we didn't make them," Strong said. "We had our opportunities."

Marshall countered with Justin Rohrwasser's 28-yard field before Barnett connected on a 33-yard scoring pass with St. Felix that cut the Bulls deficit to 31-20 late in the third.

Final	1	2	3	4	T
MRSH	21	7	3	7	38
USF	7	3	10	0	20

Scoring Summary -----

	MRSH	USF
FIRST QUARTER		
MRSH TD 5:20 Isaiah Green 10 Yd Run (Justin Rohrwasser Kick) 7 plays, 81 yards, 3:41	7	0
MRSH TD 4:43 Anthony Anderson 1 Yd Run (Justin Rohrwasser Kick) 1 play, 1 yard, 0:05	14	0
USF TD 2:43 Randall St. Felix 38 Yd pass from Tyre McCants (Coby Weiss Kick) 6 plays, 75 yards, 2:00	14	7
MRSH TD 0:25 Brenden Knox 8 Yd Run (Justin Rohrwasser Kick) 5 plays, 80 yards, 2:18	21	7
SECOND QUARTER		
MRSH TD 1:30 Keion Davis 5 Yd Run (Justin Rohrwasser Kick) 3 plays, 17 yards, 1:10	28	7
USF FG 0:04 Coby Weiss 22 Yd Field Goal 10 plays, 69 yards, 1:26	28	10
THIRD QUARTER		
USF FG 9:13 Coby Weiss 31 Yd Field Goal 14 plays, 61 yards, 5:47	28	13
MRSH FG 5:19 Justin Rohrwasser 28 Yd Field Goal 9 plays, 54 yards, 3:54	31	13
USF TD 3:16 Randall St. Felix 33 Yd pass from Blake Barnett (Coby Weiss Kick) 4 plays, 72 yards, 2:03	31	20
FOURTH QUARTER		
MRSH TD 6:24 Keion Davis 16 Yd Run (Justin Rohrwasser Kick) 11 plays, 64 yards, 5:47	38	20

Team Stats	MRSH	USF
First Downs	24	19
Total Yards	503	360
Total Plays	70	66
Avg Gain Per Play	7.2	5.5
Net Yards Rushing	282	92
Rushes	44	35
Yards Per Rush	6.4	2.6
Net Yards Passing	221	268
Comp-Att	17-26	15-31
Yards Per Pass	8.5	8.6
Times Sacked	0	4
Yds Lost To Sacks	0	-24
Interceptions	0	0
Punts	4	6
Punt Average	41.8	46.3
Penalties	8	5
Penalty Yards	75	25
Fumbles	0	1
Fumbles Lost	0	1
Possession	36:14	23:46

Individual Stats

RUSHING							
	Rush	Yds	Avg	Long	TD		
MRSH							
24 Keion Davis	14	94	6.7	52	2		
20 Brenden Knox	12	93	7.8	43	1		
21 Anthony Anderson	9	43	4.8	12	1		
17 Isaiah Green	5	36	7.2	11	1		
8 Tyre Brady	1	14	14.0	14	0		
9 Marcel Williams	1	5	5.0	5	0		
USF							
20 Johnny Ford	11	50	4.5	18	0		
2 Jordan Cronkrite	11	26	2.4	9	0		
8 Tyre McCants	4	23	5.8	13	0		
11 Blake Barnett	9	-7	-0.8	14	0		
PASSING							
	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
MRSH							
17 Isaiah Green	17	25	221	8.8	0	0	142.3
11 Xavier Gaines	0	1	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
USF							
11 Blake Barnett	11	23	212	9.2	1	0	139.6
8 Tyre McCants	1	1	38	38.0	1	0	749.2
10 Chris Oladokun	3	5	18	3.6	0	0	90.2
RECEIVING							
	Rec	Yds	Avg	Long	TD		
MRSH							
8 Tyre Brady	5	88	17.6	42	0		
11 Xavier Gaines	3	51	17.0	27	0		
7 Obi Obialo	4	32	8.0	11	0		
2 Artie Henry	2	21	10.5	13	0		
9 Marcel Williams	1	14	14.0	14	0		
1 Willie Johnson	1	14	14.0	14	0		
30 Simino Walden	1	1	1.0	1	0		
USF							
84 Randall St. Felix	6	165	27.5	38	2		
86 Stanley Clerveaux	3	51	17.0	25	0		
89 Mitchell Wilcox	3	34	11.3	27	0		
8 Tyre McCants	1	10	10.0	10	0		
2 Jordan Cronkrite	2	8	4.0	6	0		