

**WEEK THIRTEEN**  
**SYRACUSE at LOUISVILLE**

**Cunningham's 6 TDs lead Louisville past Syracuse 56-34**

LOUISVILLE, Ky. -- Nifty touchdown passes to receivers in tight and open spaces were just part of Micale Cunningham's stellar day.

The Louisville quarterback also found a small gap on the left edge before cutting inside for a second-quarter touchdown run reminiscent of Heisman Trophy-winning predecessor Lamar Jackson. Big things happened with nearly every snap to Cunningham, and his all-around performance keyed another victory for the surprising Cardinals.

Cunningham passed for a career-best five of six touchdowns accounted for, including a 14-yarder with 1:24 remaining to seal Louisville's 56-34 win over Syracuse on Saturday.

Nothing like bidding farewell to the seniors out with a game to remember, especially after a 2-10 season they've long forgotten.

"It was big to get the win for those guys and send them out on a good note," Cunningham said. "It was the last game for them at Cardinal Stadium, and what better way to go out than with a win."

Cunningham passed for three TDs and rushed for a 20-yard score in the first half alone on a cold, misty afternoon. The sophomore added a 28-yard scoring pass early in the third, one of several the Cardinals needed during a wild second half in which the schools alternated touchdowns three times.

The sophomore's final TD pass might have been his most critical for Louisville (7-4, 5-3 Atlantic Coast Conference) as Syracuse tried to rally. The Orange turned it over twice on downs deep in Louisville territory, with the last ending on three consecutive penalties and a failed a fourth-down pass at the 6.

Javian Hawkins' 47-yard run set up Cunningham's 14-yard TD pass to Tutu Atwell as the bowl-bound Cardinals capped conference play with another victory in their turnaround season. They also ended the postseason prospects for Syracuse (4-7, 1-6) a season after the Orange won 10 games including a bowl.

"We were able to get that ball back and then the offense, we take off five, almost six minutes and score a touchdown," Cardinals coach Scott Satterfield said. "That's how you win ball games, and it was a great team effort."

Cunningham completed 11 of 20 passes for 238 yards and rushed eight times for 60. Hawkins established a school rushing record for a freshman by totaling 233 yards on 23 carries.

"I didn't even know I had that many yards, said Hawkins, whose 1,278-yard total shattered Victor Anderson's previous mark of 1,047 in 2008.

"I trusted my line, everybody up front. It was just, we wanted it."

Atwell added 152 yards receiving to break 1,000 as well, highlighted by a 90-yard TD in the second quarter. Hassan Hall carried eight times for 71 yards with a 12-yard TD.

"Those guys are playmakers," Satterfield added. "We always wanted to have an explosive offense. The fact that we can run and pass puts a lot of pressure on the defense."

Moe Neal rushed for 163 yards and a TD while Syracuse quarterback Tommy DeVito threw for 153 and two scores before leaving in the fourth with an unspecified injury coach Dino Babers said was sustained in the first half. Clayton Welch completed 3 of 4 passes for 96 yards but couldn't complete the comeback.

**SCARY MOMENT**

There was a scary moment early in the third quarter as Syracuse kicker Sterling Hofrichter was injured after being accidentally kicked in the head by a teammate on a kickoff return. The senior was able to get up and walked off the field to cheers. He did not return and was replaced by Nolan Cooney on kickoffs.

**THE TAKEAWAY**

Syracuse: A week after a 43-point road rout of Duke, the Orange played catch-up all day to the Cardinals. They made it interesting in the third and fourth quarters but couldn't convert fourth-down chances deep in Louisville's end.

"Those guys are like cheetahs," coach Dino Babers said of Louisville. "You can pull them down with one hand, and you're sure you could. But if you don't get that one hand on them, then they take off."

Louisville: The Cardinals outgained Syracuse 608-510 and came up huge on third down, converting 8 of 11 chances. Cunningham's arm and feet were key, though he had plenty of help from Hawkins and Atwell.

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SYR	3	7	17	7	34
LOU	21	7	21	7	56

**Scoring Summary -----**

	SYR	LOU
<b>FIRST QUARTER</b>		
LOU TD 10:29 Marshon Ford 7 Yd pass from Micale Cunningham (Ryan Chalifoux Kick)		7
10 plays, 77 yards, 4:31	0	7
SYR FG 8:06 Andre Szmyt 33 Yd Field Goal	3	7
8 plays, 37 yards, 2:23	3	7
LOU TD 6:19 Seth Dawkins 29 Yd pass from Micale Cunningham (Ryan Chalifoux Kick)		14
1 play, 29 yards, 0:06	3	14
LOU TD 1:15 Micale Cunningham 20 Yd Run (Ryan Chalifoux Kick)		21
7 plays, 60 yards, 3:16	3	21
<b>SECOND QUARTER</b>		
SYR TD 9:36 Aaron Hackett 20 Yd pass from Tommy DeVito (Andre Szmyt Kick)		21
16 plays, 75 yards, 6:39	10	21
LOU TD 3:05 Tutu Atwell 90 Yd pass from Micale Cunningham (Ryan Chalifoux Kick)		28
2 plays, 94 yards, 0:42	10	28
<b>THIRD QUARTER</b>		
SYR FG 11:29 Andre Szmyt 46 Yd Field Goal		28
9 plays, 36 yards, 3:31	13	28
LOU TD 11:10 Jordan Davis 28 Yd pass from Micale Cunningham (Ryan Chalifoux Kick)		35
1 play, 28 yards, 0:19	13	35
SYR TD 10:34 Moe Neal 45 Yd Run (Andre Szmyt Kick)		35
2 plays, 58 yards, 0:36	20	35
LOU TD 6:13 Hassan Hall 12 Yd Run (Ryan Chalifoux Kick)		42
11 plays, 65 yards, 4:21	20	42
SYR TD 5:25 Jarveon Howard 16 Yd Run (Andre Szmyt Kick)		42
3 plays, 63 yards, 0:48	27	42
LOU TD 3:49 Javian Hawkins 44 Yd Run (Ryan Chalifoux Kick)		49
4 plays, 60 yards, 1:36	27	49
<b>FOURTH QUARTER</b>		
SYR TD 13:36 Trishton Jackson 9 Yd pass from Tommy DeVito (Andre Szmyt Kick)		49
12 plays, 63 yards, 5:13	34	49
LOU TD 1:24 Tutu Atwell 14 Yd pass from Micale Cunningham (Ryan Chalifoux Kick)		56
8 plays, 94 yards, 5:10	34	56

Team Stats	SYR	LOU
First Downs	27	25
Passes for First	9	8
Rushes for First	16	17
Penalties for First	2	0
Third Down Efficiency	6-14	8-11
Fourth Down Efficiency	1-3	0-0
Total Yards	510	608
Total Plays	77	61
Avg Gain Per Play	6.6	10.0
Net Yards Rushing	261	370
Rushes	52	41
Yards Per Rush	5.0	9.0
Net Yards Passing	249	238
Comp-Att	17-25	11-20
Yards Per Pass	10.0	11.9
Times Sacked	0	2
Yds Lost To Sacks	0	-18
Interceptions	0	1
Punts	3	3
Punt Average	0.0	0.0
Penalties	7	5
Penalty Yards	44	59
Fumbles	1	0
Fumbles Lost	1	0
Time of Poss	32:44	27:16

**Individual Stats**

**RUSHING**

SYRACUSE	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Moe Neal	20	163	8.2	1	45
Jawhar Jordan	7	35	5.0	0	13
Jarveon Howard	10	33	3.3	1	16
Abdul Adams	7	24	3.4	0	7
Trishton Jackson	1	5	5.0	0	5
Chris Elmore	1	1	1.0	0	1
Tommy DeVito	6	0	0.0	0	12

**LOUISVILLE**

	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Javian Hawkins	23	233	10.1	1	47
Hassan Hall	8	71	8.9	1	20
Micale Cunningham	8	60	7.5	1	21
Tutu Atwell	2	6	3.0	0	4

**PASSING**

SYRACUSE	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Tommy DeVito	14	21	153	7.3	2	0	52.8
Clayton Welch	3	4	96	24.0	0	0	14.3

LOUISVILLE	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Micale Cunningham	11	20	238	11.9	5	1	94.0

**RECEIVING**

SYRACUSE	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Jawhar Jordan	2	87	43.5	0	81
Trishton Jackson	3	64	21.3	1	48
Taj Harris	6	58	9.7	0	12
Aaron Hackett	2	23	11.5	1	20
Luke Benson	1	11	11.0	0	11
Sean Riley	1	6	6.0	0	6
Moe Neal	2	0	0.0	0	2

**LOUISVILLE**

	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Tutu Atwell	5	152	30.4	2	90
Seth Dawkins	1	29	29.0	1	29
Jordan Davis	1	28	28.0	1	28
Marshon Ford	3	17	5.7	1	7
Hassan Hall	1	12	12.0	0	12