

Coaches' Quotes

Florida State 83, Miami 73 (OT)

Saturday, January 18, 2020

Watsco Center, Coral Gables, Fla

Miami Head Coach Jim Larranaga

Opening Statement

"I thought we did everything it took to win the game, except win. Did a very, very nice job, had some good balance in the scoring. Chris (Lykes) scored, DJ (Vasiljevic) scored, Kam (McGusty). We've been pretty darn good at the end of close games finishing. Today we weren't able to close."

On if Miami let it slip away or Florida State upped its game

"I thought both teams played terrific defense throughout the game. We had some turnovers that led to easy baskets. So, we didn't get a chance to defend them. Those turnovers allowed them to cut the lead pretty quickly. We still had the lead with just over a minute to go and we were hoping to get fouled and get to the foul line and that would allow us to set our defense. But, a couple of opportunities...they ended up forcing a turnover instead of us forcing a foul."

On his insight into the game...

"Again, I thought our overall defense was good. Based on what we wanted to do in the game plan, we were able to keep our defenders in the paint and force them to shoot outside. MJ Walker got himself in early foul trouble, but in the second half and overtime, he was instrumental. But, because we were able to pack the paint in and do some good rebounding, it ends up neutralizing some of our turnovers on the offensive end."