

# Seminoles blow five-run lead in ninth inning at Memphis

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MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Tim Dulin smashed a grand slam to cap a six-run, ninth-inning rally and lead Memphis State to an 8-7 win over Florida State.

The victory Sunday afternoon lifted the Tigers to 19-4 on the season and first place in the Metro Conference with a 3-1 record. FSU fell to 32-13 and 5-3 in conference play. The game was the first of a scheduled doubleheader, but poor weather forced the teams to forget the second game.

FSU, behind the pitching of Mike Loynd, took a 7-2 lead into the ninth. But Loynd gave up a lead-off single to Jack Peel and a walk to Bethel Fuller before being lifted after hitting Bubba Burr to load the bases.

Relief pitcher Doug Little then issued two straight walks to make it 7-4 before being relieved by Paul Thomas.

Thomas worked the count to 1-1 on Dulin before the senior second baseman sent the next pitch deep over the left-field fence for his fourth home run of the season.

"This was an extremely tough loss for us," FSU head coach Mike Martin said. "We have lost several games like this mainly because we were unable to throw strikes in the last inning. Right now our biggest problem is to find a reliever that can come in and do the job."

FSU had built its lead with a five-run fifth inning and a single run in the sixth.

Jimmy Jones keyed the five-run fifth with a three-run homer, his eighth of the year.

Three consecutive singles by Luis Alicea, Bien Figueroa and

Frank Fazzini started the rally, before Jones connected off Memphis starter Forest Nabors. Paul Sorrento then walked to chase Nabors from the game. A single by Jose Marzan moved Sorrento to third before he scored on a throwing error by catcher Wayne Thompson.

Fazzini, who had three hits on the day, picked up his second RBI of the afternoon with a sacrifice fly in the sixth. It scored Alicea, who had opened the inning with a double.

Thomas, now 1-2, took the loss; while Jeff Stansberry lifted his re-

cord to 3-0 with the win.

The Seminoles, winners in nine of their last 13 games, will host the University of Florida on Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. in Seminole Stadium.

	Burr, lb	3	1	1	0
	Totals	30	8	6	8
Florida St.	000 151 000	—	7	13	1
Memphis St.	001 000 100	—	8	6	8
E—Jones, Moss, Thompson 2. Hammett, Burr, DP—MSU 1. LOB—FSU 10, MSU 7. 2B—Alicea, Figueroa. HR—Jones (8), Dulin (4). SB—Jones, Dulin, Scott. SF— Scott, Kidd. SF—Fazzini.					
	IP H R ER BB SO				
Florida St.					
Loynd	8	5	5	4	5
Little	0	0	2	2	2
Thomas, L(1-2)	0	1	1	1	0
Memphis St.					
Nabors	4	9	6	5	1
Stansberry, W(3-0)	5	4	1	1	2
WP—Stansberry, Loynd. PB— Blackwell. HBP—Marzan (Nabors), Burr (Loynd). T—2:47. A—75.					

Florida State		Memphis State	
ab r h bi		ab r h bi	
Alicea, 2b	5 2 2 0	Scott, 3b	1 1 0 0
Figueroa, ss	5 1 3 0	Cummings, ph	0 1 0 1
Fazzini, lf	4 1 3 2	Moss, ss	4 1 1 2
Jones, lb	4 1 1 3	Dulin, 2b	5 1 2 5
Sorrento, dh	4 2 1 0	Covington, dh	2 0 0 0
Marzan, 3b	4 0 2 0	Thompson, c	4 0 0 0
Kidd, rf	4 0 0 0	Dowdy, lf	4 0 0 0
Blackwell, c	4 0 0 1	Peel, rf	4 1 1 0
Mangham, cf	4 0 1 0	Hammett, cf	3 1 1 0
Totals	38 7 13 6	Fuller, ph	0 0 0 0
		Morris, pr	0 1 0 0