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Tigers’ comeback stalls in loss to Tulane dampening their chance for playoff



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MEMPHIS- In what many saw as the most important game in program history, the Memphis Tigers fell 38-32 to Tulane on Friday, November 7,2025 at Simmons Bank Liberty Stadium. A win would have put the Tigers on a clear path to the American Conference Championship game. A win there would all but guarantee a trip to the College Football Playoff. From there, there is at least a chance to compete for a National Championship. These possibilities could not have been dreamed of throughout this program's history.

The loss likely means none of the above will come to fruition. There are three teams ahead of the Tigers in the Conference race and each have favorable schedules to conclude the season. Barring a near miracle, the Tigers

will not make it to the Championship game.

The first play of the game proved to be a bad omen for Memphis. Tulane quarterback Jake Retzlaff hit Shazz Preston for a 65-yard touchdown. The Tigers, however, struck right back. They tied the game at 7 on a 55-yard touchdown pass from Brendon Lewis to J. Hawkins. Tulane then added another score to end the 1st quarter at 14-7.

The Tigers began the 2nd quarter with a touchdown to tie the game at 14. Tulane proceeded to out-score the Tigers 21-3 to take a 35-17 halftime lead. Many thought the game was out of reach at this point. However, the Tigers continued to fight. They held Tulane to a field goal for the only scoring in the 3rd quarter. In fact, Tulane would not score again for the rest of the game.

In the 4th quarter, the Tigers scored 2 touchdowns and a 2-point conversion to bring the score to 38-32 with 7:49 left. Memphis would get the ball back twice before the end of the game. They threw an interception on one possession, and the last one resulted in a turnover on downs. Tulane then ran out the clock to secure the win.

The Tigers go next to East Carolina for a road game.

Gun Owners of America (GOA) gets victory in Memphis; Judge says law is “Dead as Doornail”

November 10, 2025 - Gun Owners of America (GOA) and Gun Owners Foundation (GOF) are celebrating a major victory for Tennessee gun owners after the Shelby County Chancery Court rejected the City of Memphis’ unconstitutional and illegal gun-control ordinance.

In its ruling, the Court made clear that Memphis’ sweeping local gun restrictions were not just unlawful—but entirely void.

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The following are two major points outlined in the order:

The City CONCEDED its ordinance violates state law. Memphis admitted that every line of its handgun-carry ban, vehicle-storage rule, so-called “assault rifle” ban, and red-flag scheme is 100% illegal under Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-1314. (Order pp. 3, 9–11) The Judge called the ordinance “DEAD AS A DOORNAIL.” The Chancellor wrote that “The Ordinance and those who proposed it engaged in ‘virtue signaling,’” but “the Ordinance is as dead as a proverbial doornail as a matter of Tennessee law.” (Order p. 6) Simply put, the Memphis ordinance is entirely unenforceable.



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Wide receiver Cortez Braham Jr. added to the prestigious Biletnikoff Award Watch List

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. , November 10, 2025– The Tallahassee Quarterback Club Foundation, Inc. has announced the addition of names to the 2025 Biletnikoff Award Watch List with Memphis wide receiver Cortez Braham Jr. making his way onto the list.

The Biletnikoff Award annually recognizes the college football season's outstanding FBS receiver. Any player, regardless of position (wide receiver, tight end, slot or inside receiver, wing back, or running back) who catches a pass is eligible for the award. As such, the Biletnikoff Award recognizes college football's out-

standing receiver, not merely college football's outstanding wide receiver.

Braham Jr., a redshirt senior from Baltimore, Md., has been an outstanding offensive weapon for the Tigers this season with 50 catches so far this year and an American Conference best 745 yards. The wide receiver has caught seven touchdowns this season while totaling three 100+ yard games.

Braham Jr. recorded a career-best 11 receptions in the team's game against Tulane (11/7) while hauling in two scores against Florida Atlantic (9/27) and South Florida (10/25).

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Tennessee Titans return from bye to host Houston Texans at Nissan Stadium

Tennessee Titans (1-8) vs. Houston Texans (4-5)
Sunday, Nov. 16, 2025 • 12 p.m. CST • Nissan Stadium • Nashville, Tenn. • TV: FOX/WZTV-17

NASHVILLE — The Tennessee Titans (1-8) return from their bye to host the division-rival Houston Texans (4-5) this week. Kickoff at Nissan Stadium (capacity 69,143) is scheduled for 12 p.m. CST on Sunday, Nov. 16.

This week marks the second of two annual matchups between the Titans and Texans. On Sept. 28, the AFC South foes squared off at NRG Stadium in Houston, with the Texans pulling away for a 26-0 win. In 47 all-time battles, the Titans lead the series 24-23.

This week's festivities are also scheduled to include the Titans' annual Salute to Service, a league-wide initiative to show gratitude for the sacrifices made by the military community.

THE BROADCAST

The contest will be regionally televised on FOX, including Nashville affiliate WZTV FOX 17. The broadcast team includes play-by-play announcer Chris Myers, analyst Mark Schlereth and reporter Jen Hale.

Fans in Nashville can stream live Titans games on mobile devices with NFL+, which offers access to local games and all primetime games on phones and tablets. Out of market, fans can watch every Sunday afternoon game with Sunday Ticket. More infor-

mation on ways to watch NFL games can be found at nfl.com/ways-to-watch.

The Titans Radio Network and Nashville flagship 104.5 The Zone carry all Titans games across the Mid-South with play-by-play announcer Taylor Zarzour, analyst Dave McGinnis, executive producer Rhett Bryan, gameday host Lucas Panzica, and sideline reporters Amie Wells and Will Boling.

TITANS RESTED AFTER BYE

The Titans were off last week after playing the Los Angeles Chargers at Nissan Stadium on Nov. 2. Against the Chargers, they produced a punt return touchdown by rookie Chimere Dike and an interception return

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