



POSTGAME QUOTES

GRIZZLIES 93, TIMBERWOLVES 71

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GRIZZLIES CENTER MARC GASOL (6 POINTS, 7 REBOUNDS, 2 BLOCKS)

On the defensive intensity of the game for Memphis:

“It was good. It was good. That’s what won the game for us. Obviously offensively, [our] main guys didn’t score a lot of points, didn’t have a good shooting night, but defensively I thought we were really consistent, very few breakdowns, not many turnovers. We were able to run back, something we’ve been hurt before on against that team. Overall, a good win.”

On contributions of the Grizzlies’ role players tonight:

“We moved the ball. We found the open guy and trusted them to make the next play. [Minnesota] did different things. They played the pick-and-roll, they doubled from the baseline, then they doubled from the top and then the shots that we had, good looks, they didn’t fall. But the guys did a great job. Our defense fueled us, gave us our confidence, allowed us to win the game in a pretty good way.”

On the four-game win streak and how the team is jelling:

“We’re going to get our rest, recover as fast as possible. We’re not really home. We’re home for a few hours and we head right back tomorrow [on the road]. Obviously, being on the west coast and Dallas, and from Dallas we got in real late last night. Today we get in our beds, and tomorrow we’re flying away again. So try to get rest as much as possible, recover, and get ready for Charlotte, who’s playing really good basketball.”

GRIZZLIES GUARD TONY ALLEN (4 POINTS, 1 STEAL, 1 BLOCK)

On how his body responded in playing back-to-back games:

“It kind of tweaked a little bit today. Second half, I went and wrapped it up. But for the most part, just trying to fight through it, listen to my training staff, listen to my body, and I was happy with the way it responded, considering the fact we won.”

On the team’s defensive efforts to limit Andrew Wiggins (37.0 points per game over his last 3 games):

“He averaged 37? Man, you know I’ve got to credit my big fella. He was talking to me when the pick and roll was coming. I’ve got to credit Mike [Conley], James [Ennis], those guys, helping, the switches, showing. Like I said, whenever we’re tied together on the defensive end, we’re a tough team to beat. A lot of teams try to get us in transition, because they don’t want to see our half court on defense. I think whenever we play hard, play together on that end, the sky’s the limit for us.”

On the team’s fourth straight win and settling into Coach Fizdale’s system:

“Just [taking it] one game at a time. Understanding who we’re playing, respecting each opponent, coming out and playing hard and holding our hats on the defensive end. Some nights are better than others for some guys, but ultimately we do it together and we hold our hats on the defensive end.”

On Charlotte, the Grizzlies’ next opponent:

“I know they’ve got Kemba Walker. He’s amazing, he’s electric man. We’ve got to have our antennas up on him. But they’ve got a lot of shooters and a lot of great players, and we’ve just to come out there and be ready.”