



Oklahoma Sooner Quotes

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Head Coach Sunny Galloway

Opening statement:

"I'm extremely proud of our student athletes and the way they fought. Game one, winning in dramatic fashion and having a quick turn around. At the end of the day Arizona State just proved to be too much. It's a terrific line-up. They've got some terrific arms on the mound and some guys that really know how to pitch with [Mike] Leake and [Josh Satow] and the guys they pulled out of the bullpen. They've got a team that can be part of a national championship. They've got a shot and a quality club. Our team is a young team. We have a chance to return most of our players and be special next year. This was a good experience for us. We have five seniors that we'll be saying goodbye to. Mike Gosse is a terrific hitter and it's only fitting that he hit a line drive at his last at bat for Oklahoma. He really gives the younger guys something to forward to and be part of something special and use this experience to our advantage."

On ASU:

"Oklahoma has been to four out of the last five regionals. It's important that you go to the NCAA tournament and that you return players. We played a team two years ago that were young men. We saw [Greg] Bordes who two years ago was behind the plate and now he's playing shortstop. [Petey] Paramore comes out and is able to jump out there. That's a team that we've seen before and they've held together and done things right. They've paid price and they're the better team. We won't deny that. We have a chance to do that at Oklahoma. Our young men have had our back to the wall for three straight weeks. It has really been a grind and character really gets revealed, not developed in baseball. We have great character. So does Arizona State. If there is no Big 12 team left in the tournament, I'll be an Arizona State fan the rest of the way. I want them to win the national championship."

Right Fielder Jamie Johnson

On the quick turnaround:

"It was obviously a little tough with the weather being as hot as it was. It was tough to have a quick turnaround after an emotional win. It was a little bit difficult but we battled as much as we could. ASU has an incredible team and a great future."

"There's a lot more pressure being away from home and ASU has a great crowd. It was a good experience for next year."