

**Iowa vs. Nebraska Postgame Notes**  
**Nov. 23, 2018**

**POSTGAME NOTES**

Iowa (8-4, 5-4) defeated Nebraska (4-8, 3-6) on Friday, 31-28, at Kinnick Stadium.

K Miguel Recinos kicked a 41-yard field goal as time expired to give Iowa the three-point win.

Iowa retained possession of the Hy-Vee Heroes trophy and won for the fourth straight time in the series. Iowa is 13-3 in its last 16 trophy games.

**INDIVIDUAL NOTES**

QB Nate Stanley threw for 152 yards today, passing the 5,000 yard mark for his career. He is the ninth player in program history to have 5,000 career passing yards (5,137).

QB Nate Stanley threw two touchdowns today, raising his season total to 23, the sixth highest single-season total in school history. He has 49 career touchdown passes, fourth all-time in school history (Chuck Long 74; Drew Tate 61; Ricky Stanzi 56). Stanley's 49 touchdown passes over the last two seasons tie for the most ever in school history over a two-year span. Long tossed 49 touchdown passes from 1984 (22) to 1985 (27).

QB Nate Stanley was 1-2 for 10 yards on Iowa's final drive. It is the third game-winning drive of Stanley's career (at Iowa State in 2017, vs. Boston College in 2017).

K Miguel Recinos scored seven points today (four PATs, one FG), raising his career total to 171, 14th all-time. He passed David Hudson (166), Marvin McNutt (168), and Marshall Koehn (170) today on the all-time list.

Iowa had three sacks today, raising its season total to 34, its highest single-season total since recording 34 sacks in 2003. DE Anthony Nelson had two sacks today, raising his season total 9.5. DE A.J. Epenesa had one sack, raising his season total 9.5. The 9.5 sacks are the highest single-season total by a Hawkeye since DL Mike Daniels had nine sacks in 2011.

DB Matt Hankins had a career-high 10 tackles. DE Anthony Nelson had a career-high eight tackles. FS Jake Gervase matches his career high with 10 tackles.

TE T.J. Hockensen had five receptions for 54 yards. He has career 1,037 career receiving yards. He is the 40<sup>th</sup> player in program history to reach 1,000 career receiving yards.

RB Mekhi Sargent rushed for 173 yards on 26 carries, both career highs. It was his second straight 100-yard rushing effort (second of career). He rushed for 121 yards Week 11 at Illinois.

RB Mekhi Sargent had two scores today, a 15-yard touchdown rush and a five-yard touchdown reception. The touchdown reception was the first of his career. He has four multi-touchdown games this season.

DB Michael Ojemudia had an interception in the fourth quarter, his third of the season and second in as many weeks.

Iowa has 16 interceptions over its last eight games. Entering today, Iowa forced 17 turnovers in the second half of games this season, most in the FBS.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Iowa had 143 rushing yards in the first half, its highest total since rushing for 187 against Nebraska in 2016. Today is the third time this season where Iowa had 20+ minutes of possession in the first half (also UNI and Maryland games).

Iowa rushed for a season-high 266 yards.

Iowa scored at least 30 points for the seventh time this season. The last time Iowa scored 30-plus points in more than seven games was 2015 (8).

The 2018 senior class recorded 23 conference wins over the last four seasons, tied for the third most by any senior class under Ferentz. The 2005 senior class won 25 Big Ten games, the 2004 senior class won 24, and the 2016 class won 23.

Iowa won the toss and elected to receive. The Hawkeyes have played 252 games under head coach Kirk Ferentz. Iowa has opened the game on offense 188 times (116-73). The Hawkeyes have opened the game on defense 63 times (35-28).

Instant replay:

- 1) Nebraska runner down prior to fumble (confirmed)

### **UP NEXT**

Iowa learns its postseason destination Sunday, Dec. 2.