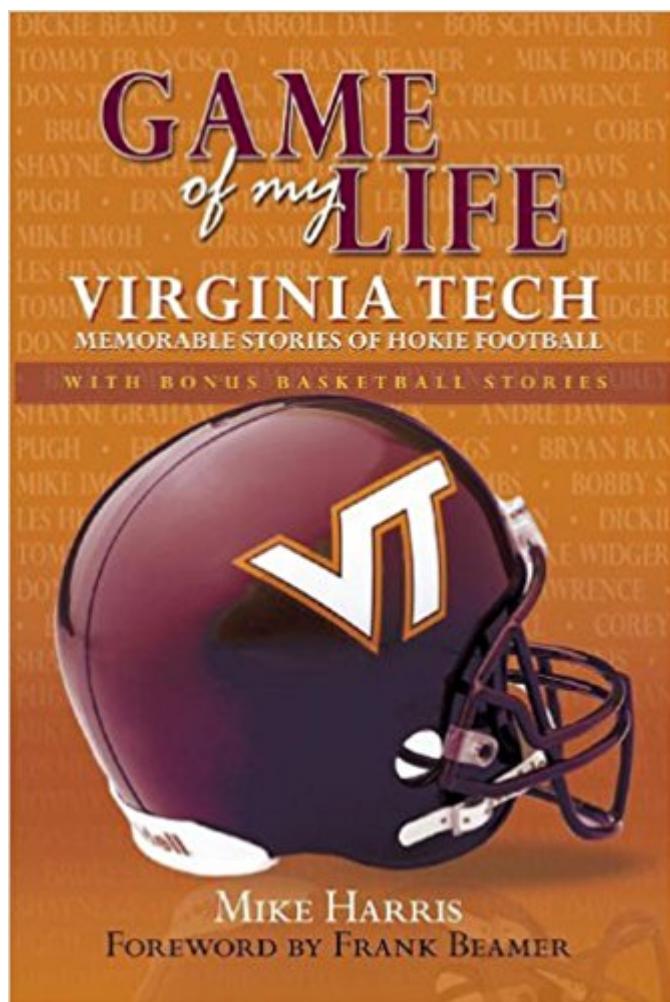


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Game Of My Life Virginia Tech: Memorable Stories Of Hokie Football And Basketball



Synopsis

Virginia Tech's Shayne Graham trots onto the field at West Virginia on November 6, 1999, with two thoughts in his mind. One is a missed field goal that would have beaten Miami a year earlier. The other is the 44-yard field goal he is about to try against the Mountaineers, a kick he must make if the Hokies are to stay unbeaten and on track for a national championship. Head down, he focuses on his mark as the ball is snapped. He steps forward, the dream of an entire team resting with his leg. Now, hear Graham's memory of that kick in his own words, for the first time. Game of My Life: Virginia Tech celebrates the extraordinary football and basketball moments that have shaped the college's rich athletic heritage. Through interviews with some of the school's most prestigious athletes, Hokies fans can relive the big games that defined the school's winning tradition. Carroll Dale, later a fixture with the Green Bay Packers, dove arms outstretched to haul in a crucial two-point conversion in a 1957 game against the University of Richmond. Les Henson shot from the baseline; the other baseline; as the clock neared zero against Florida State in 1980. Chris Smith went well beyond the "double-double" standard for points and rebounds. How about 30 and 31 against Marshall in 1959? Corey Moore made life miserable for Clemson quarterback Brandon Streeter one night in 1999. Bruce Smith did the same for Duke quarterback Ben Bennett in 1983. The Hokies; Jim Pyne, meanwhile, made sure Syracuse's Kevin Mitchell didn't do the same to Tech quarterback Maurice DeShazo in 1993. Carlos Dixon, Mike Imoh, Andre Davis, Dell Curry, Bryan Still, Don Strock, Bryan Randall; all the Tech greats from the gridiron and hardwood are in these pages, including coach Frank Beamer. Join thousands of Virginia Tech fans in remembering these cherished stories. For the athletes within, these truly were the games of their lives.

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Customer Reviews

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was bought for a friend and she loves it.

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Gift for father in law who is a huge Hokies fan. He said he LOVED it.

Mike Harris' contribution to the history of Tech football is an interesting one. He takes a player, gives you some details on how he came to Tech and what he's done since leaving, and has him relate the story of one of his best games. It's a different angle, but it works well. You can pick it up and read it from cover to cover or randomly peruse the pages to find some favorite memories. If you're a Hokie fan and names like Dickie Beard ring a bell, this book's for you. I used the book as a resource to fill in some details while writing *A Hokie Games: Virginia Tech Football Game by Game 1945-2006*.

Any Hokie will enjoy this fast read of great players in history and their best games.

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