



Saturday, Dec. 23, 2017

2:30 p.m. (CT)/3:30 p.m. (ET)

Amon G. Carter Stadium (45,000)

Fort Worth, Texas

ESPN

Armed Forces Bowl Radio Network

Year: 15th (Began in 2003)

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### CONFERENCE USA STANDINGS

East	Conf Games	All Games
FIU	2-0 1.000	3-1 .750
Florida Atlantic	1-0 .000	2-3 .400
Marshall	0-0 .000	3-1 .750
Old Dominion	0-0 .000	2-2 .500
WKU	0-1 .000	2-2 .500
Middle Tennessee	0-1 .000	2-3 .400
Charlotte	0-1 .000	0-5 .000

West	Conf Games	All Games
North Texas	2-0 1.000	3-2 .600
LA Tech	1-0 1.000	3-2 .600
Rice	1-1 .500	1-4 .200
UTSA	0-0 .000	3-0 1.000
Southern Miss	0-1 .000	2-2 .500
UAB	0-1 .000	2-2 .500
UTEP	0-1 .000	0-5 .000

### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Sat., Oct. 6	Kickoff CT
FIU at Middle Tennessee (ESPN3)	2 pm
Louisiana Tech at UAB	3 pm
Florida Atlantic at Old Dominion	5 pm
Marshall at Charlotte	5 pm
Army at Rice	5:30 pm
Southern Miss at UTSA	6 pm
WKU at UTEP	7 pm

# WEEKLY NOTES

Oct. 6, 2017

## BLACK KNIGHTS BACK ON TRACK

Army snapped a two-game losing skid with a 35-21 victory over UTEP on Saturday. The Black Knights improved to 3-2 for the second straight year, the first time that Army has done so in back-to-back years since 1988-89. Connor Slomka, who had just one career touchdown run entering the game, had a pair of running scores.

## WE SEE A TREND HERE

For the second straight week (UTEP), the Army Black Knights will face a Conference USA team from the state of Texas when the squad heads to Houston to face Rice on Saturday night. Army also has North Texas on the schedule (Nov. 18 in Denton, Texas) and could face a C-USA squad in the Lockheed Martin Armed Forces Bowl, meaning that four of its potential 13 games could be versus C-USA teams (and all against Texas schools and/or in the Lone Star State).

## STANDING HERE ON TOP

UTSA (3-0) remains the lone undefeated team in Conference USA, but has yet to play a league game. Meanwhile, FIU and North Texas both sit at 2-0 in conference play, while Florida Atlantic and Louisiana Tech are both 1-0. Nine of the league's 14 teams sit at or above .500 overall.

## ON A CONFERENCE CALL

Of the seven games involving C-USA schools this week, six are in-league battles. Interestingly, the only nonconference clash pits a C-USA team against the bowl game's other potential participant (Army).

## LOOKING BACK

Each week, the bowl is celebrating its 15th anniversary by taking a trip down memory lane with "Top 15 Moments" from its previous games. Here's No. 10 from the 2008 game that saw Houston edge Air Force, 34-28. [Watch](#)

## TICKET INFORMATION

Tickets for the 15th annual Lockheed Martin Armed Forces Bowl are on sale at [ArmedForcesBowl.com](http://ArmedForcesBowl.com). Options include: \$30 (general admission), \$75 (lower bowl reserved) and \$125 (Champions Club). For \$15 each, fans may also sponsor tickets for past and present military members and their families to attend the game through the annual "Host a Hero" program. [Read](#)

## DON'T WORRY, THEY'VE GOT IT COVERED

[Mark Heim](#) of *Al.com* highlights the nation's best college football story this week, which comes from Birmingham, Ala. For Homecoming, UAB will be donning jerseys with the names of patients at the Children's Harbor Hospital, located just one block from campus, on the back.

"Recognizing these children and their families is a way for UAB to show our support and to let them know they are not in this fight alone," UAB athletics director Mark Ingram said. "It is going to be a special day at Legion Field." [Read](#)

Beat writer [Doug Smock](#) of the *Charleston Gazette-Mail* takes a look at Marshall's special teams, which have truly been special in the team's 3-1 start. [Read](#)

[Shandel Richardson](#) of the *Sun Sentinel* profiles the reigning C-USA Player of the Week, Florida Atlantic running back Devin "Motor" Singletary, who runs from the spotlight as fast as he runs from opposing defenses. Last week, the sophomore tied a school record with four rushing touchdowns against Middle Tennessee. [Read](#)

## PROJECTING THE PARTICIPANTS

As the mid-point of the season looms, it's time to start thinking about who will be playing in Amon G. Carter Stadium on Dec. 23. Interestingly, all six experts below believe that Army will qualify for the Armed Forces Bowl, but each selected a different team to be the Conference USA representative.

**Kyle Bonagura (ESPN)**

Southern Miss vs. Army

**David M. Hale (ESPN)**

UTSA vs. Army

**Brett McMurphy (The Score)**

Marshall vs. Army

**Jerry Palm (CBS Sports)**

Middle Tennessee vs. Army

**Eric Single (CNNSI)**

Louisiana Tech vs. Army

**Erick Smith (USA Today)**

WKU vs. Army