

BCSP Profile

50 DAYS TO SUPER BOWL 50



A DAY-BY-DAY, SUPER BOWL-BY-SUPER BOWL LOOK AT THE IMPACT OF BLACK COLLEGE PLAYERS ON SUPER BOWLS I THRU 49 AS WE COUNT DOWN THE 50 DAYS TO SUPER BOWL 50

DAY 28 - Sunday, January 17

SUPER BOWL XXVIII Dallas 30, Buffalo 13 January 30, 1994 - Georgia Dome, Atlanta

Five (5) Black College Players



Buffalo Bills (1)

Howard Ballard OT Alabama A&M

Dallas Cowboys (4)

Derrick Gainer RB Florida A&M
Kenneth Gant DB Albany State
Nate Newton OG Florida A&M
Erik Williams OT Central State



ICONIC PHOTO: Dallas offensive guard **Nate Newton** (#61, **Florida A&M**) douses head coach Jimmy Johnson after Cowboys' win in Super Bowl XXVIII.

Storyline: Dallas offensive tackle **Erik Williams** (**Central State**) and guard **Nate Newton** (**Florida A&M**) helped open holes for running back **Emmit Smith** who ran for 132 yards on 30 carries with two second-half touchdowns to earn MVP honors in the Cowboys' win in Super Bowl XXVIII. Dallas trailed 13-6 at the half but converted two Buffalo second half turnovers into touchdowns and shut out the Bills while scoring 24 second-half points in the win. It was Buffalo's fourth straight loss in the Super Bowl (XXV, XXVI, XXVII, XXVIII).

Dallas

Erik Williams, RT (Central State) ≥

Starting right tackle in win over Buffalo.

- Makes tackle on Odomes after his interception of Aikman late in second quarter.

- Penalized for false start on first Dallas play of fourth quarter.

Kenneth Gant, DB (Albany State)

- Downed third-quarter punt at Buffalo 15.

Derrick Gainer, RB (Florida A&M)

- Teams with Bill Bates to bring down Buffalo returner Russell Copeland on 19-yard kickoff return after Dallas goes up 27-13 in the fourth quarter.

Nate Newton, RG (Florida A&M)

- Started at right guard in win over Buffalo.



Buffalo

Howard Ballard, RT (Alabama A&M) ≥

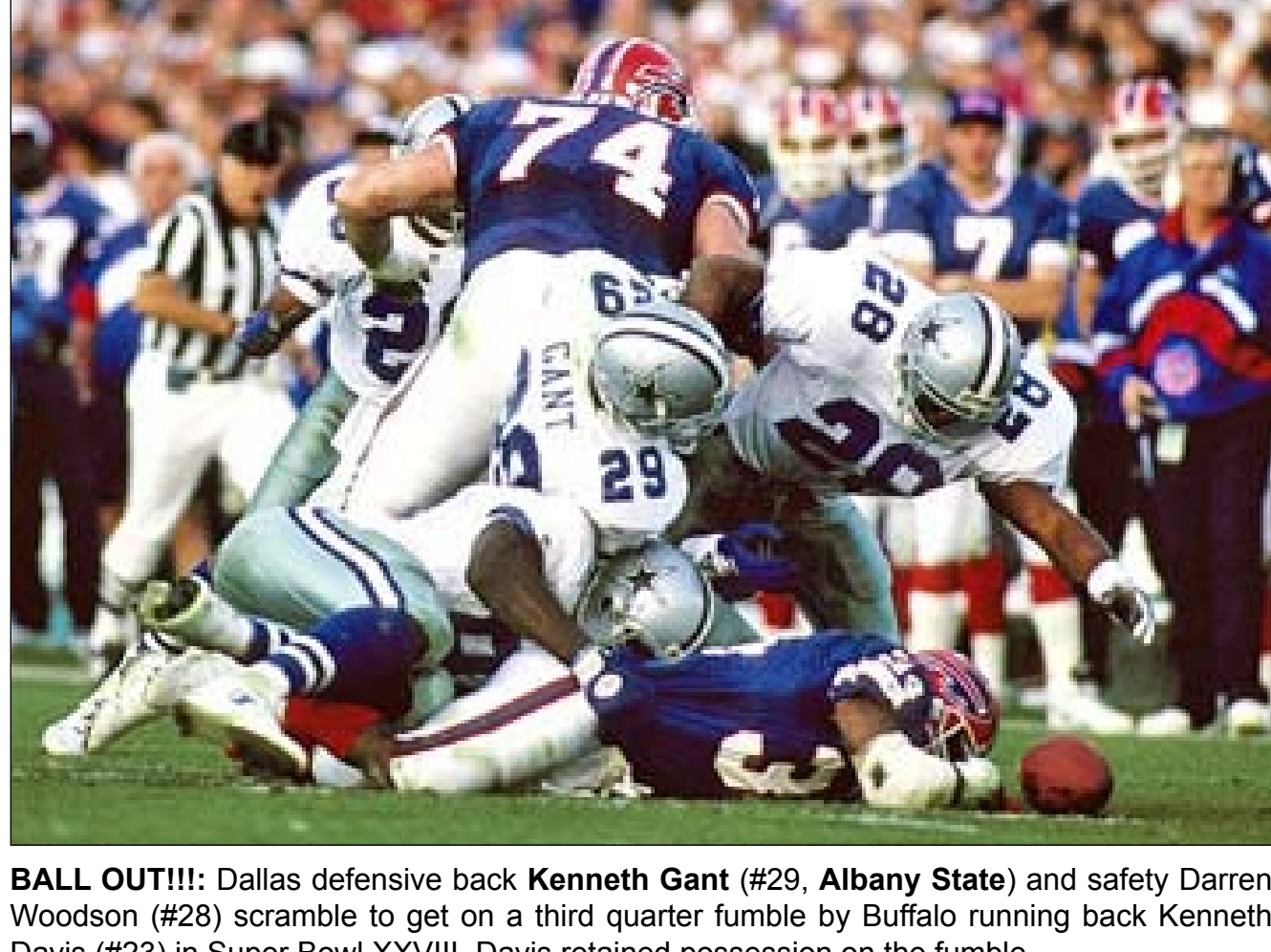
Started at right tackle in loss to Dallas.

- Tackled safety James Washington after interception of quarterback Jim Kelly on first play of fourth quarter.



MVP: Emmitt Smith, RB, Dallas - 30 carries, 132 yards, 2 TDs

KEY FACTS: Thurman Thomas's 4-yard run was the only first half touchdown. Otherwise both teams had two field goals. Buffalo led 13-6 at the break. Buffalo only got into Dallas territory twice in the second half – early in the third quarter to the Dallas 46 and to the Dallas 13 in its final possession. Dallas became the fifth team to win back-to-back titles, following Green Bay, Miami, Pittsburgh (the Steelers did it twice), and San Francisco.



BALL OUT!!!: Dallas defensive back **Kenneth Gant** (#29, **Albany State**) and safety Darren Woodson (#28) scramble to get on a third quarter fumble by Buffalo running back Kenneth Davis (#23) in Super Bowl XXVIII. Davis retained possession on the fumble.



GOOD JOB!: Cowboys, including offensive guard **Nate Newton** (#61, **Florida A&M**, left), celebrate with running back Emmitt Smith after one of his two second-half touchdown runs that helped Dallas beat Buffalo 30-13 in Super Bowl XXVIII.



PULLING AWAY: Dallas safety James Washington (#37) runs free for 47 yards and an early third-quarter touchdown after picking up a fumble by Buffalo running back Thurman Thomas. The TD return allowed Dallas to tie the score at 13 with 14:05 left in the third quarter of Super Bowl XXVIII. The Cowboys trailed 13-6 at the half but had 24 unanswered second-half points.