



## 2018 SEC Men's Basketball Tournament

St. Louis, Mo. – Scottrade Center

### Final – Notes

#### Kentucky 77, Tennessee 72

#### Kentucky wins the SEC Tournament Championship

#### Series Notes:

- All-Time Series: Kentucky leads 154-71
- SEC Tournament: Kentucky leads 12-4
- Season Series: Tennessee leads 2-1
- The Wildcats improve to 5-3 against the Volunteers in SEC Tournament finals.

#### Game Notes:

- Trailing 27-12, Tennessee launched a 25-5 run over the final 8:19 of the first half and first 3:21 of the second, giving them a 41-38 lead with 16:39 remaining in the game. It was the Volunteers' first lead since scoring the game's opening basket.
- Kentucky immediately answered the UT comeback with a 14-2 run over the next 3:45 to build its lead back up to nine, but that was followed by a 14-3 Vol run to put Tennessee back ahead 57-55 with 8:07 left. The rest of the game featured three ties and three lead changes.
- For the game, the Wildcats shot 50.0 percent from the field compared to 37.1 for the Volunteers.
- Tennessee had its second-worst shooting half of the campaign with a 28.1 percent clip in the first half.
- Kentucky reserves outscored the UT bench 24-13.
- The Vols amassed a 22-8 edge in second-chance points.

#### Kentucky Notes:

- Kentucky improves to 24-10 and has won seven of its last eight games.
- UK wins its fourth straight SEC Tournament crown and 31st all-time, which is the most of any school.
- The Cats are 32-10 all-time in SEC Tournament finals.
- UK has won 12 straight SEC Tournament games.
- On 10-of-16 shooting, tourney MVP Shai Gilgeous-Alexander posted his fifth career 20-point performance with a game-high 29, which is the third-most points in an SEC Tournament final (since 1979) and one shy of his career high. He also tied his career best for rebounds with seven.
- Kevin Knox enjoyed his best game of the tourney with 18 points to go with seven boards.
- After connecting on 2-of-4 3-pointers today, Wenyen Gabriel finished the SEC Tournament making 11-of-15 (73.3 percent), which is the fourth-best 3-point percentage in a single tourney (minimum six attempts). The 11 treys are tied for eighth-most.

#### Tennessee Notes:

- Tennessee falls to 25-8 and snaps a six-game winning streak.
- The Vols drop to 4-7 in SEC Tournament finals.
- Admiral Schofield posted his fourth career double-double and third of the year with 22 points and 10 rebounds. It marked his eighth 20-point performance of the year. His four 3-pointers tied his career best.
- Grant Williams scored in double figures for the fourth straight game with 15 points to go with nine boards.