2007 MVC Baseball Championship Game 3 Quotes - No. 3 Bradley, No. 4 Evansville

Dewey Kalmer, Bradley Head Coach

"We swung the bat well today, we played with a lot of energy and played some great defense."

"I think he (Kai Tuomi) is one of the best pitchers in our league. He came into our place something like 9-1 and there's a reason for that. Today he didn't have it, but this guys a great pitcher. I thought we had a better plan at the plate today looking for the slow stuff."

"They helped us out a little with some baserunning blunders in the seventh inning. Getting out of that inning was big, it could 've easily been an 8-7 game going into the ninth inning. I knew if we could get a three-run lead going into the ninth we had a good chance with (Brad) Altbach coming out of the pen."

"(Michael) Christl didn't have his best stuff today but he's a trooper and gave us eight really good innings despite not having his best stuff. He's one of those guys you've gotta break his arm to get him out of there."

"They're (Evansville) a tough team to beat, they just kept battling. They almost won a regional last year and they most of those players back. We knew they wouldn't quit and I give them a great deal of credit for not letting down after getting down 8-1."

Sophomore shortstop Dan Brewer

"Mike (Christl) pitched a great game he got a lot of ground balls for us. We know each other well, its easy to work with someone when you have such great chemistry.

"Colby's (Luttrell) got such a great arm, I'm surprised they challenged him. It's great having a right fielder who can throw the ball like that."

"We came here on a mission to win. The last four weekends we've been battling to turn it around after starting 2-7. We're not planning on stopping-our hitting, pitching and defense is there. And if we can keep all of those going we've got a chance to win the tournament."

Junior DH Peter Malinowski

"It was a 2-0 count he threw me a fastball down. We saw him two weeks ago and got a good idea of how he was going to pitch me. I just saw the ball and hit the ball.

Senior right-hander Michael Christl

"Like coach said, I didn't have my best stuff, but I battled all day. I was getting behind in counts and making it hard on myself, but I was fortunate enough to have my teammates pick me up and make plays when I needed it."

"I'm pretty proud of our guys for sticking with each other all year. It was a good effort today."

"I was planning on going back out for the ninth. Every time I pitch I plan on going nine innings. I'll be back Saturday, too."

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David Seifert, Evansville Head Coach Opening Statement

"We picked a bad day to play poorly."

"The thing with Kai (Tuomi) was the lead-off in the second inning, he let it get to him. He wouldn't let it go, he was still letting it get to him in the dugout and then you saw what he did in the third."

On Repeating Last Year (Aces lost first game then won out to be crowned tournament champs) "We were fired up and ready to play. We didn't give up and never did that. Dewey (Kalmer) has a good team. Tey have guys who can hit and great pitching. They are a real nice club with pitching and I think they can go far."

Kasey Wahl, Evansville

"We just gave up a big inning and couldn't battle back."

Robbie Minor, Evansville

"We couldn't get the clutch hits and we need to put this game behind us and come back tomorrow ready to play. The same thing happened last year, we have got basically the same team back so we need to get our wheels turning."