

SUPER BOWL LVI: LOS ANGELES RAMS 23, CINCINNATI BENGALS 20



Mike Segar / Reuters

Los Angeles Rams wide receiver Cooper Kupp scores the game-winning touchdown in the fourth quarter of Super Bowl LVI on Sunday against the Cincinnati Bengals at SoFi Stadium in Inglewood, California.

# RAMS RALLY!

Stafford, Kupp come back on the Bengals for first L.A. Super Bowl title

**By Gary Klein**  
Los Angeles Times

**Inglewood, Calif.**

Throughout their all-in, boom-or-bust season, Rams coach Sean McVay and his players stuck with a common refrain.

During winning and losing streaks, after comeback victories and embarrassing defeats, they opined that they were authoring their own story, and they intended to finish with a flourish.

On Sunday, in Super Bowl LVI they penned the final chapter.

And it was a pulsating finish.

The Rams defeated the Cincinnati Bengals 23-20 before 70,048 at SoFi Stadium

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Gary A. Vasquez / USA Today Sports

Los Angeles Rams defensive tackle Aaron Donald (99) celebrates after the Rams defeated the Cincinnati Bengals in Super Bowl LVI at SoFi Stadium in Inglewood, California, on Sunday.

SCORE BY QUARTER

	QUARTER 1	QUARTER 2	QUARTER 3	QUARTER 4	FINAL
Rams	7	6	3	7	23
Bengals	3	7	10	0	20

Stafford delivers the drive and wins the big one in style

**By Bob Wojnowski**  
The Detroit News

**Inglewood, Calif.**

One drive for the ultimate prize. One throw to win it all.

It's what Matthew Stafford always craved all those years in Detroit, to prevail under the thickest pressure. In a final drive for the ages, Stafford pulled off his greatest comeback and delivered an ending perhaps only he could ever foresee. He fired a 1-yard touchdown pass to Cooper Kupp with 1:25 left and the Rams beat the Bengals 23-20 in Super Bowl LVI Sunday night.

All the Rams' stars came

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## Dragons men move into 2nd-place tie in NSIC North Division

**Staff report**

**MOORHEAD** — Minnesota State Moorhead guard Lorenzo McGhee has been in an offensive groove since the start of January, scoring in double digits in every game since.

That trend continued Sunday afternoon as McGhee scored a game-high 22 points to lead the Dragons to a 77-63 victory against Minnesota-Crookston in Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference men's basketball at Alex Nemzek Fieldhouse.

McGhee has scored at least 12 points in nine consecutive games.

"Ever since Christmas he has just played very consistently," Dragons head coach Chad Walthall said. "I don't know what it is, but we're a better team when he's playing well on both ends."

The Dragons (14-11, 9-7 NSIC) moved into a second-place tie with Minot State in the North Division behind



Avery Nelson / Dragons Athletics

Minnesota State Moorhead forward Gatdoar Kueth goes up for a dunk against Minnesota-Crookston on Sunday at Alex Nemzek Fieldhouse.

Minnesota-Duluth. The top six teams in each division earn a spot in the NSIC tournament with the top two seeds in each getting a first-round bye.

regular season Saturday, Feb. 19, at Minot State. The game against Minot State could decide the No. 2 seed from the North. MSUM has won three consecutive games and four of its last five.

"It's not really about how you start, it's how you finish," McGhee said.

McGhee started with a flurry against UMC, making his first six shots to fuel a 15-point first half. MSUM, which led by as many as 22 points in the first half, took a 20-point lead into halftime. The Dragons shot 50% (16 of 32) from the floor and 50% (8 of 16) from 3-point range in the opening half.

"I like how we were locked in from the beginning to the end in getting the win," said McGhee, who also grabbed a game-high nine rebounds. "We kept our foot on the gas."

The Dragons used a 16-1 run to pull away from the Golden Eagles. Gatdoar Kueth capped

the rally with a basket in the lane that gave MSUM a 40-18 lead with 1:05 to play in the first half. The Dragons took a 43-23 lead into halftime.

"We really played well that first half on both ends," Walthall said.

The Dragons scored the game's first 10 points and never trailed. The Golden Eagles cut the MSUM lead to nine points multiple times in the second half, but could get no closer than that over the final 20 minutes.

"We've been pretty focused as a group for the last three or four weeks," Walthall said. "We've had some hard losses on the road, but we were right there because we've played so well defensively."

The Dragons had three different players score in double digits against the Golden Eagles. Bryce Irsfeld scored

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