

1996 Division I Softball World Series

Arizona vs Washington May 27, 1996 at Columbus, GA

Score by innings:		R	H	E
Arizona	3 2 0	1 0 0	-	6 11 2
Washington	0 0 0	4 0 0	-	4 11 2

Arizona inning 1

Shriver popped up to 3b. Doty singled to left field. Johnsen singled to center field; Doty advanced to second. Dalton homered, 3 RBI; Johnsen scored; Doty scored. Pineda walked. Gomez flied out to cf. Pitt flied out to lf. 3 runs, 3 hits, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

Washington inning 1

Brown grounded out to ss. Storseth singled to center field. Pickering singled to right field; Storseth advanced to second. Cline reached on a fielder's choice; Pickering advanced to second; Storseth out at third ss to 3b. Church popped up to 2b. 0 runs, 2 hits, 0 errors, 2 LOB.

Arizona inning 2

Reitan out at first 3b to 2b, bunt. Churnock singled to second base. Shriver reached on a fielder's choice; Churnock out at second 2b to ss. Doty singled to shortstop; Shriver advanced to second. Johnsen doubled to right field, 2 RBI; Doty scored; Shriver scored. Gaw to p for Meyer. Dalton walked. Pineda grounded out to ss. 2 runs, 3 hits, 0 errors, 2 LOB.

Washington inning 2

Newbry grounded out to 2b. Giordano grounded out to 2b. Williams popped up to ss. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Arizona inning 3

Gomez grounded out to ss. Pitt walked. Reitan struck out looking. Churnock popped up to ss. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

Washington inning 3

Tarr grounded out to 3b. Brown singled to second base. Storseth grounded out to p; Brown advanced to second. Pickering popped up to 2b. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

Arizona inning 4

Shriver singled to left field. Shriver out at second c to 1b to 2b, picked off. Doty grounded out to 2b. Johnsen singled to center field. Johnsen stole second. Johnsen advanced to third on a wild pitch. Dalton walked. Pineda singled to left field, RBI; Dalton advanced to second; Johnsen scored. Gomez flied out to lf. 1 run, 3 hits, 0 errors, 2 LOB.

Washington inning 4

Cline doubled to left center. Rahal pinch ran for Cline. Church singled to center field, RBI; Rahal scored. Newbry reached on a fielder's choice; Church advanced to second on an error by ss. Giordano reached on a fielder's choice; Newbry advanced to second; Church out at third ss to 3b. Williams singled to right center, RBI; Giordano advanced to third; Newbry scored. Tarr reached on an error by 2b, RBI, advanced to second; Williams advanced to third; Giordano scored. Francis pinch hit for Brown. Francis singled to left field, RBI; Tarr advanced to third; Williams scored, unearned. Brown to cf for Francis. Brown stole second. Storseth struck out. Pickering popped up to 2b. 4 runs, 4 hits, 2 errors, 2 LOB.

Arizona inning 5

Cline to c for Rahal. Pitt grounded out to ss. Reitan out at first c to 2b, bunt. Churnock reached on an error by ss. Shriver grounded out to 2b.

0 runs, 0 hits, 1 error, 1 LOB.

Washington inning 5

Cline grounded out to 3b. Church struck out. Newbry singled to shortstop. Giordano struck out. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

Arizona inning 6

Doty grounded out to p. Johnsen singled to center field. Dalton fouled out to lf; Johnsen advanced to second on an error by lf, advanced to third. Pineda grounded out to 3b. 0 runs, 1 hit, 1 error, 1 LOB.

Washington inning 6

Williams hit by pitch. Tarr singled to left field; Williams advanced to second. Brown singled to shortstop; Tarr advanced to second; Williams advanced to third. Storseth reached on a fielder's choice; Brown advanced to second; Tarr advanced to third; Williams out at home 3b to c. Rosser pinch ran for Storseth. Pickering struck out. Cline flied out to cf. 0 runs, 2 hits, 0 errors, 3 LOB.

Arizona inning 7

Storseth to ss for Rosser. Gomez popped up to 2b. Pitt flied out to cf. Reitan singled to right field. Churnock grounded out to 3b. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

Washington inning 7

Church flied out to cf. Newbry singled to right center. Giordano flied out to cf. Williams grounded out to p. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

Game Notes:

#2 Arizona wins the 1996 NCAA Softball College World Series Championship by defeating #1 Washington.

1996 Women's Softball College World Series
May 27, 1996

Arizona vs. Washington
Championship Game

All-Tournament Team

Catcher	Jennifer Cline, Washington
First Base	Traci Conrad, Michigan
Second Base	Sara Pickering, Washington
Shortstop	Tami Storseth, Washington
Third Base	Lynn Britton, Southwestern Louisiana
Outfielder	Alison Johnsen, Arizona
Outfielder	Lea Twigg, Iowa
Outfielder	Mindy Williams, Washington
Pitcher	Carrie Dolan, Arizona
Pitcher	Cheryl Longeway, Southwestern Louisiana
At-Large	Krista Gomez, Arizona
At-Large	Michelle Churnock, Arizona
At-Large	Lyn Nance, Iowa

Jim Pitts Memorial Trophy (MVP) - Jenny Dalton, Arizona

GAME NOTES:

*Arizona won its fourth CWS in the last six years.

*Washington finished the season winning 26 of its 28 games.

*Arizona's Jenny Dalton set a new CWS record for runs scored in a series with 7.

*Arizona's Alison Johnsen stole her 28th base this season and fourth of the series, tying a CWS record for most stolen bases in a series.

*Washington set a new CWS record for hits with 47 in four games. UCLA had 43 hits in five games in 1992 and six games in 1990.

POSTGAME QUOTES:

Washington Head Coach Teresa Wilson:

(Opening Statement): "It was a great game for both teams. We've been battling it out all year long. Both of us were pretty even in statistics, with runs scored and runs given up. We knew going in that it was going to be a battle. Both teams have the potential to score runs and Arizona happened to do it first. We had opportunities, but we didn't capitalize on them. I'm very proud of this team because they are so special."

"The best way to describe today was that it wasn't meant to be. It's a tough day and our kids gave everything that they had."

Washington player Mindy Williams:

(On Jenny Dalton's home run): "She hit a line drive and I started in first because it was hit so low. She golfed it out of there and the ball carries here with the air. She's a great player and with her up to bat you have to respect and realize that she can hit the ball out of the park."

Washington player Eve Gaw:

(On Jenny Dalton): "Yuo have to respect Jenny as a hitter. But she's just like any other hitter and she has weaknesses. I admit sometimes you get scared, but she have to go after her because you can't just walk her everytime."

"Our whole season we've had the odds against us and we never gave up hope. We always believed in ourselves no matter what."

Arizona Head Coach Mike Candrea

"I am at a loss for words. It is a great ending to a great year. This team put everything together at the right times. Every kid over-exceeded my expectations. To see it all come together is a great feeling of satisfacton. I'm still in shock. This team was loose, yet focused."

Arizona 2B and MVP Jenny Dalton

"What really pulled us through is that nobody thought we could do it. I can't think of a better time when I have been so happy at proving everybody wrong."

Arizona P Carrie Dolan

"We have had many ups and downs with a lot of battles. When we got here our team stepped up, came together, supported each other and played with heart. I went out there and did my best. I stayed focused and kept going. We weren't going to let anybody take our pride."