

Boyanov sparks South Alabama to win

KENNESAW, Ga. - Georgi Boyanov scored eight straight points late in the contest and the University of South Alabama men's basketball team held IUPUI scoreless over the final 5:18 in a 78-68 win in the Legends Classic.

South Alabama finished the contest with 14 unanswered points in the last five minutes immediately after an 11-4 IUPUI run gave them a 68-64 lead with 5:18 to play.

IUPUI missed its final seven shots of the game, part of a 25.0 percent effort in the second half and 34.8 percent for the game. USA blocked a season-high nine shots, getting three each from Boyanov and Tafari Whittingham.

On the other end of the floor, USA went 4-of-7 overall and got six points each from Boyanov and Barrington Stevens III. Stevens recorded six of the team's final eight points, going 4-of-4 from the free throw line in the last 53 seconds.

Ken Williams led all scorers with 19 points and tied his career high with six assists. He shot 6-of-8 from the floor and hit twice from behind the 3-point line to move into fifth place in school history in career triples with 154.

Darell Combs came off the bench for IUPUI to score 18 points, and T.J. Henderson added 14.