

University of Tennessee

Kevin Burnett



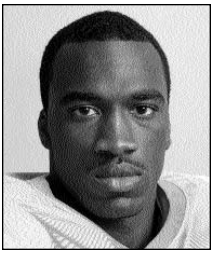
Senior ♦ Linebacker ♦ 6-3 ♦ 235

Candidate for ...
All-America Honors
All-SEC Honors
Butkus Award
Chuck Bednarik Award
Bronko Nagurski Award

When the Pads are On ...
Two-Time Team Captain
245 career tackles
2004 Preseason Playboy All-America
2004 Chuck Bednarik Award Semifinalist
2004 Butkus Award Semifinalist
SEC Defensive Player of the Week (Sept. 18)
2004 Bronko Nagurski Watch List
2004 Preseason All-SEC (Coaches, Media)
2003 All-SEC (Coaches, 2nd)

When the Pads are Off ...
Two-Time Academic All-SEC
2003 AFCA Good Works Team
2003 SEC Good Works Team
Earned bachelor's degree in May 2003
More than 150 community service hours





UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE VOLUNTEERS

2 Kevin Burnett, LB 6-3, 235, Sr., Carson, Calif.

All-America, Butkus Award and Bednarik Award Candidate

Full name: **Kevin Bradley Burnett** ... Elected team captain again for 2004 season ... Burnett and teammate Michael Munoz are first Vols since J.G. Lowe in 1924-25 to be elected captain in consecutive years ... Considered early entry into 2004 NFL Draft, but decided to return for senior season ... Huge season expected as he was named to *Playboy's* Preseason All-America squad for 2004 ... Has knack for delivering momentum-changing plays ... League coaches named him to 2003 All-SEC second team ... Returned to near 100 percent health after comeback from 2002 knee injury ... Fought through pain last year to register 90 tackles, including 7½ for lost yardage ... Had at least seven tackles in game eight times last year ... Tied career high with 11 stops vs. Duke ... Two-time Academic All-SEC recipient who completed sport management undergraduate degree in May 2003 ... Also named to 2003 AFCA and SEC Good Works teams ... Coach Chavis' evaluation: "Kevin is a tremendous talent with big-play capability. He's extremely smart and gives us a great look with his pass rush off the edge." ... Born: Dec. 24, 1982.

HONORS - 2004 SEC Defensive Player of the Week (Sept. 18), All-America *Playboy* Preseason, Coaches' Preseason All-SEC, Media Preseason All-SEC; 2003 All-SEC Coaches (2nd), AFCA Good Works Team, SEC Good Works Team, Academic All-SEC; 2002 Academic All-SEC

CAREER - Games/Started: 47/25

2004 - Games/Started: 10/10 ... Elected team captain for the second consecutive year in 2004 ... Semifinalist for the 2004 Butkus and Chuck Bednarik awards ... Also named to the 2004 Bronko Nagurski Watch List (for the best defensive player in college football regardless of position) ... Started the season strong with eight tackles and a fumble recovery in the win over UNLV ... SEC Defensive Player of the Week honors were bestowed upon the senior co-captain after he set a new career-high with 16 tackles (10 solo) vs. Florida ... Logged five tackles against La. Tech and also recorded his first career interception ... Recovered a fumble (his second of the year) to go along with his 12 tackles vs. Auburn ... Posted three stops at Georgia ... His seven-tackle outing at Mississippi was highlighted by a sack of UM quarterback Ethan Flatt for a loss of 13 yards on the Rebels' first possession ... Notched his third 10-tackle performance of the season when he totaled 12 stops vs. Alabama ... Posted 11 stops (nine solo) and one TFL at South Carolina ... Added 11 tackles and a PBU at Notre Dame ... Made six tackles at Vanderbilt.

2003 - Games/Started: 13/12 ... Sport management graduate named team captain prior to season ... Burnett and teammate Michael Munoz were first juniors to serve as Tennessee captains since All-America guard Bob Dobelstein in 1944 ... Finished season fourth on team in tackles with 90 while earning second team All-SEC honors from league coaches ... Returned from knee surgery in time for 2003 season opener against Fresno State and had six tackles, including a TFL on his first play ... Had two TFLs in one game for first time against Marshall ... Made eight stops against Florida ... Posted seven tackles and one PBU vs. South Carolina ... Added eight stops and another TFL against Auburn ... One TFL and one forced fumble highlighted eight-tackle performance at Alabama ... Made 11 tackles, including one TFL, vs. Duke to equal career high ... Tallied seven stops against Vanderbilt and six vs. Kentucky ... Named to 2003 AFCA and SEC Good Works teams.

2002 - Games/Started: 1/1 ... Lost for year to knee injury in season-opener against Wyoming and received medical redshirt ... Injury came in first quarter of game as he was applying pressure on Cowboys' quarterback ... Underwent reconstructive left knee surgery in October 2002.

2001 - Games/Started: 12/2 ... Best outing came against Notre Dame when he registered 11 tackles, including eight solo ... Also caused fumble vs. Irish that stopped scoring drive ... Forced fumble at Tennessee's 1-yard line and teammate fell on loose ball to keep Irish out of end zone ... Earned first career start against Memphis and responded with eight tackles ... Finished regular season with 3½ sacks, then added sack in Florida Citrus Bowl win over Michigan.

2000 - Games/Started: 11/0 ... A reserve at free safety early in season, played mainly with special teams ... Switched to linebacker and played behind Anthony Sessions ... Memorable play was fumble recovery in fourth quarter that stopped Alabama scoring drive ... Had sack against Alabama ... Totals for season showed 11 tackles, two sacks and fumble recovery.

HIGH SCHOOL - Member of 1999 *PrepStar* All-America team ... Second-team All-State selection in California ... Selected to "Best of the West" team by *Long Beach Press-Telegraph* ... Seven career interceptions from free safety position ... Named first-team All-League as running back, with 48 carries for 650 yards and 16 touchdowns during senior season ... Led team to state playoffs in 1998 and 1999 ... Coach at Dominguez High School: Keith Donerson.

KEVIN BURNETT'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UT	AT	TT	SACKS/ YDS	TFL/ YDS	FF	FR	PBU	INT/ YDS	HIGH TKLE
2000*	10	10	1	11	2/17	2/17	0	1	0	0/0	3-2x
2001*	11	33	19	52	3.5/34	6.5/43	1	0	3	0/0	11-ND
2002	1	1	0	1	0/0	1/1	0	0	0	0/0	1-Wyo
2003	13	65	25	90	1.5/12	7.5/35	1	0	3	0/0	11-Duk
2004	10	67	24	91	1/13	5/25	0	2	1	1/0	16-UF
Totals	45	176	69	245	8/76	22/121	2	3	7	1/0	16-UF

*Bowl statistics not included prior to 2002.

BURNETT'S CAREER BESTS

Total Tackles:	16 vs. Florida 2004
Solo Tackles:	10 vs. Florida 2004
Tackles For Loss:	2 Twice
Sacks:	1 Seven times
Fumbles Forced:	1 at Notre Dame 2001
Fumbles Recovered:	1 Three times
Interceptions:	1 vs. La. Tech 2004
Passes Defensed:	2 at Notre Dame 2001
10-Tackle Games: (7)	11 at Notre Dame 2001
	11 vs. Duke 2003
	16 vs. Florida 2004
	12 vs. Auburn 2004
	12 vs. Alabama 2004
	11 at South Carolina 2004
	11 vs. Notre Dame 2004

2004 SUPERLATIVES

- ◆ Ranks second on the team with 91 tackles through 10 games this season
- ◆ Ranks third in the SEC with 9.1 tackles per game (as of Nov. 21)
- ◆ Tied for third in the SEC with two fumble recoveries in 10 games this season
- ◆ SEC Defensive Player of the Week (Sept. 18)

