

2000 IHSAA Boys Basketball State Finals

Class 3A Championship Results

BREBEUF CAPTURES FIRST BOYS BASKETBALL STATE TITLE

Displaying dominating defense, Brebeuf led all the way to defeat Class 3A top-ranked Andrean 72-56 and win its first IHSAA boys basketball state title March 25, 2000 at Conseco Fieldhouse in Indianapolis.

Senior center Michael Bennett led Brebeuf (24-2) with 26 points and nine rebounds, while senior guard Jon Owens added 16 points and four boards as the Braves won their 14th consecutive game and ended Andrean's 21-game winning streak.

Senior forward Shane Power led Andrean (24-3) with 27 points, 12 rebounds and five steals. The 27-point performance improved his career total to 2,110, and moved him into the No. 19 spot on Indiana's all-time scoring list. Power passed Daryl Warren (2,083) of Linden and Dan Palombizio (2,092) of Michigan City Rogers.

After a slow start by both teams, Brebeuf (24-2) jumped to a 15-4 lead capped by a three-point basket by Owens. The Braves led 15-9 after one quarter, 33-20 at halftime and 54-32 at the end of three quarters.

Andrean trimmed the Brebeuf lead to 11 points with a three-point field goal by Power with 3:52 remaining, but Brebeuf took control from there.

It was the second state championship for second-year Brebeuf coach Leo Klemm. He guided Santa Monica Catholic to the 1991 Class 4A South state championship in California.

POWER NAMED TRESTER AWARD RECIPIENT

Shane Power of Andrean High School was selected as the recipient of the Arthur L. Trester Mental Attitude Award by the IHSAA Executive Committee.

Power, the No. 19 all-time leading scorer in Indiana history with 2,110 points, passed Daryl Warren (2,083) of Linden and Dan Palombizio (2,092) of Michigan City Rogers in the Class 3A state championship contest. Power has been awarded nine different Player of the Year awards and was the first player since Damon Bailey in 1989 to be a three-time Indiana Basketball Coaches Association Underclass All-State team member. Lake County's all-time leading scorer, Power was a four-year starter. The 59ers were 81-20 during those seasons.

Power, who has accepted a full scholarship to play basketball at Iowa State, plans to pursue a career in business.

Farm Bureau Insurance, the corporate partner of the Indiana High School Athletic Association, presented a \$1,000 scholarship to Andrean High School in the name of Power.

CLASS 3A POST-GAME QUOTES

TOTALS	160	21-54	5-19	9-12	31	9	14	9	18	56
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Team Rebounds: 3

Score by Quarters:

Brebeuf Jesuit	17	16	21	18	--	72
Andean	9	11	12	24	--	56

Officials: Bob Anderson, Steve Kvachkoff.