

# Agent says Stabler's not planning to call it quits

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 BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Even though the Houston Oilers have put Kenny Stabler on waivers, the 37-year-old quarterback isn't ready to hang up his cleats, his agent says. "He doesn't plan to retire this year," Henry Pitts, a Selma attorney who doubles as Stabler's agent, said. "He's not believing he won't be playing somewhere this fall or next spring."

Pitts pointed out that Stabler has been listed as out of football before. "He retired last year, remember? But he went back to Houston when Giff Nielsen got hurt and Houston needed him," he said.

The Oilers put the former Alabama star on irrevocable waivers last week. No other team has picked up Stabler and his \$70,000 contract.

The agent said Stabler had advance warning of his fate in Houston. "Coach Ed Biles notified us July 7 that Kenny did not fit into his plans this season," said Pitts. "This did surprise Kenny, who had showed up at the mimicamp a few weeks

ago 15 pounds lighter than he'd played last year.

"Kenny had been doing some running, obviously, and he's lifted weights. He was rearing to have a good year," he added.

Pitts said Biles offered to announce Stabler's retirement rather than put him on waivers, due to the quarterback's status in the league.

"We surely weren't going to fall for that retirement dodge," said the agent. "The way we read the old contract, there are several bonuses due Kenny. Retirement would have nullified them, according to the way we read."

Pitts said Stabler is "open for offers." The agent took a few shots at Biles and the Oilers.

"I figure Biles is going to try to say to his bosses, and Houston's press and fans, that he needs a couple of years to start all over," he said. "Good luck, Mr. Biles."

Pitts indicated Stabler might be interested in playing in the new United States Football League.

"It has attracted my attention," he said. "And Kenny's. Any new league picking up a \$20 million TV deal from ABC, plus four or five million more from ESPN before it ever signs a player looks interesting, very interesting."

Birmingham has a team in the new league, and Pitts indicated Stabler might be interested in playing before the home folks. But he insisted he was not pressuring the new Birmingham team to sign Stabler.

"There's time for both parties to think about that possibility," he said.

Pitts said even though no NFL team has picked Stabler up, one might.

"Kenny believes he can still play," he said. "He's been around. He knows the score."

"He knows that a bunch of NFL coaches will start camps thinking they are all set at quarterback. He knows that within a few weeks several of them might realize there's a left-hander somewhere who might be the difference in a few ball games, particularly in the last minutes."

# Woman's death brings tragedy to Buc victory

**United Press International**  
 Riverfront Stadium in Cincinnati was once the home of a proud champion. It now houses a rapidly deteriorating franchise and became the scene of a tragedy Monday night.

Lora Schneeman, a 21-year-old native of Montgomery, Ohio, died of massive internal and head injuries upon arrival at Cincinnati General Hospital Monday night after plunging 40 feet from an upper level loge seat during the Pittsburgh Pirates' 5-4 victory over the hapless Reds.

Authorities later determined she had come to the game with another young woman and that she apparently had been drinking before the fall.

"I saw her hit and I couldn't explain what I felt," said Cincinnati manager John McNamara. "It takes your breath away."

Despite the death of the young woman, the game continued. Dale Berra drove in three runs, including the game-winning with a sacrifice fly in the sixth inning, to spark the Pirates.

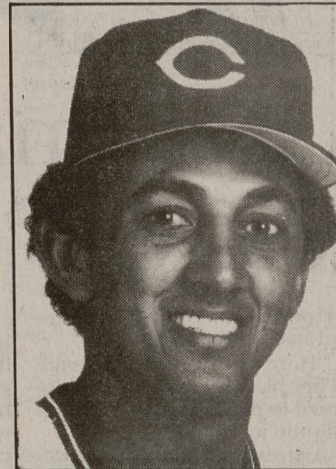
Berra's sacrifice fly capped a two-run sixth that gave Pittsburgh a 4-3 lead. Berra also added a run-scoring single in the second inning and a solo home run, his sixth, in the eighth.

Reliever Manny Sarmiento, who replaced starter Ross Baumgarten with one out in the third, hurled three-hit relief for 4 2/3 innings to receive credit for the victory, with Kent Tekulve earning his 13th save by retiring the Reds in order in the ninth.

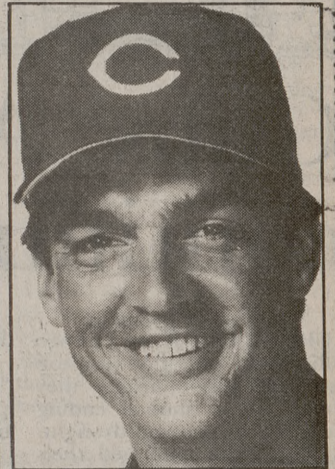
Frank Pastore, who came off the disabled list Monday, hurled the first six innings and took the loss.

The Reds took a 1-0 lead in the first on Dave Concepcion's RBI sacrifice fly, but the Pirates went in front 2-1 in the second on Berra's run-scoring single and a throwing error by Reds' catcher Alex Trevino on which Mike Easler scored.

Cincinnati regained the lead 3-2 in the third on Dave



**Dave Concepcion**



**Frank Pastore**

Concepcion's RBI single and a sacrifice fly by Paul Householder. Pittsburgh moved in front 4-3 in the sixth with Tony Pena's single tying the score at 3-3 before Berra hit his game-winning sacrifice fly.

In other NL games, Chicago downed Houston 6-5. Los Angeles shaded Montreal 2-1, Atlanta defeated St. Louis 4-1 and Philadelphia nipped San Diego 7-6.

In the American League, it was Toronto 4, Kansas City 2; Chicago 6, Detroit 0; Boston 9, Texas 5; Cleveland 5, Oakland 4; California 6, Baltimore 5; New York 5, Seattle 3 and Minnesota 6, Milwaukee 4.

**DODGERS 2, EXPOS 1** — At Los Angeles, Vicente Romo scattered three hits and did not allow a run over seven innings to pick up his first victory in eight years and lift Los Angeles.

**BRAVES 4, CARDINALS 1** — At St. Louis, Bob Horner's two-run single capped a three-run eighth inning that lifted the Braves and snapped the Cardinals' three-game winning streak.

**PHILLIES 7, PADRES 6** — At San Diego, Gary Matthews delivered a two-run single in a four-run third inning and Ron Reed halted an eighth-inning rally to lift the Phillies.

**WHITE SOX 6, TIGERS 0** — At Detroit, Dennis Lamp

beat the Tigers for the third time in as many decisions this season, blanking them for the second time in helping Chicago snap a five-game losing streak with a 6-0 triumph. The White Sox' right-hander scattered seven hits and worked out of bases-loaded jams in the eighth and ninth innings in besting the Tigers.

**BLUE JAYS 4, ROYALS 2** — At Toronto, Barry Bonnell and Leon Roberts belted solo homers to power the Blue Jays to their fifth straight victory. Luis Leal ended a personal four-game losing streak with his sixth complete game of the season, allowing six hits, striking out four, walking two and retiring 11 consecutive batters during one stretch.

**YANKEES 5, MARINERS 3** — At New York, Oscar Gamble, Dave Winfield and Roy Smalley hit third inning home runs and Tommy John gained his first victory in nearly a month in leading the Yankees to victory. The Yankees have now won five straight since the All-Star break while Seattle dropped its seventh game in its last eight starts.

**TWINS 6, BREWERS 4** — At Minneapolis, Tom Brunansky belted an inside-the-park grand slam and John Castino and Len Faedo each hit solo homers to help the Twins snap the Brewers' eight-game winning streak.

# Vilas reigns

## Argentinian defeats Purcell with ease, 6-4, 6-0

**United Press International**  
 BROOKLINE, Mass. — Is there no stopping Guillermo Vilas?

The Argentinian left-hander has won six of nine major tennis tournaments this year, finishing second in the other three. Monday he won the \$32,000 first prize at the U.S. Pro Tennis Championships at Longwood Cricket Club.

And Vilas did it easily, routing seventh-seeded Mel Purcell, 6-4, 6-0 in the final, winning his earnings for the year to \$20,000, solidifying his second spot in world rankings and making his match record 48-4.

"I am working very hard," Vilas said after the 90-minute walkaway.

But there is no joy in winning, it seems, for the somber and introspective Vilas, who spends his free time writing poetry and developing a relationship with Princess Caroline.

"Once you start working, there comes the time when sooner or later everything comes together," said Vilas, who has been practicing incessantly with coach Ion Tiriac, a former

star of the Romanian Davis Cup team.

Vilas unleashed a barrage of precision passing shots and topspin lobs to rout the quick-footed Purcell, leaving him dismayed. "After he hit a couple of good shots," Purcell said, "I felt beat inside."

Purcell came to the net often on the clay court and seemingly had Vilas beat many times with sure volleys. But Vilas would pass or lob.

"A lot of those shots would have been winners against a lot of people," Purcell said. "But Vilas is tough and he's strong. I was trying to come back. I never give up, but he was too good for me."

Vilas won the tournament after a week of 90- and 100-degree matches in high humidity.

"This kind of life is competitive," he said, getting ready to pack his bags and move on to another event. "The only thing that makes you do it day after day is love of the game."

Vilas is a deadly baseline player, waiting for other players to make mistakes so he can pass or lob them. He has been trying to

develop a stronger volley to compete with stronger players like John McEnroe, Ivan Lendl and Bjorn Borg.

Purcell was game from the beginning, but the 29-year-old Vilas kept him running until the 23-year-old from Murray, Ky., began getting weary and making errors.

Purcell said the turning points came when he double faulted at deuce with the score 3-3 in the first set, a service game he lost, and on three Vilas winners in the first game of the second set.

Purcell was broken on all three services in the second set as Vilas rarely made an error. In the third game, Vilas spirited Purcell with two lobbing winners and a third that set up the game's final point.

Purcell is ranked 28th on the Association of Tennis Professionals' computer listing and the runner-up spot put him over the \$100,000 mark in earnings.

Vilas, who breezed through the semis and finals in straight sets and lost only 10 games, said he was working toward establishing himself as the game's premier player, a spot he held in 1977.

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