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Madden named men's assistant tennis coach

Staff & Wire Reports

Shuon Madden, the only four-time tennis All-American in Texas A&M history, has been named the men's tennis assistant coach at the school, head coach Tim Cass announced last Thursday.

Madden fills a vacancy that was recently created when former assistant coach Tad Berkowitz accepted a position with USA Tennis as the assistant coach of the collegiate national team. Berkowitz is also pursuing several head coaching opportunities.

"I can't say enough about the job that Tad did for our program," Cass said. "We wish him the best this summer with the national team and I'm fully supporting him as he pursues some great head coaching opportunities."

Like Berkowitz, and former assistant coach Scott Treibly, Madden is one of Cass' former players.

"It was a simple decision for me when I started looking for a new assistant coach," Cass said. "With Shuon graduating last month, and with his extensive A&M background, I knew I needed to get him as our next assistant. That keeps with my tradition of trying to have former players as my assistants."

Madden was a two-time Big 12 Conference Player of the Year, in addition to earning All-Big 12 accolades in singles and doubles during all four of his playing years at A&M.

"He's the type of player I think we all admired," Cass said. "His standard of excellence and work ethic on and off the court is

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Cardinals begin life after Kile's death

CHICAGO (AP) — Some of the St. Louis Cardinals gathered in small groups, remembering Darryl Kile and trying to understand how he could be dead at just 33.

Others went off by themselves at the team hotel, preferring to work through their grief and anger on their own.

"They're all doing it in their own individual way," Brian Bartow, spokesman for the Cardinals, said Sunday. "It'll be a long grieving period. Especially coming so shortly on the heels of Jack Buck's passing. "This was tough to take."

An autopsy performed Sunday by the Cook County medical examiner concluded that Kile likely died from a blockage of a coronary artery.

As the Cardinals mourned their friend and teammate, they also began the process of moving on only a day after the pitcher's death.

The team held a 30-minute memorial service for Kile on Sunday morning at the team hotel. Several members of the St. Louis Chapter of Baseball Chapel — including former Cardinals pitcher Rick Horton — came to Chicago to lead the service.

Kile's wife, Flynn, spoke to the players at the end of the service, and many stayed afterward to share their memories of the veteran pitcher.

A few hours later, they were back to work, playing the Chicago Cubs in a game Kile was scheduled to start.

"It's a part of life. I understand that," pitcher Woody Williams told the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*. "Darryl was a special friend and a great father. You look at him. He's in great health. He's 33. How do you explain something like that? You really can't. But I have faith in God and believe he has a purpose for everything."

Kile was found dead in his hotel room Saturday afternoon after teammates became concerned he had not shown up at Wrigley Field. Hotel security forced their way into his locked room and found him in bed. There was no sign of a disturbance or foul play, police said.

"It looked like he was asleep," said Dr. Jim Loomis, the Cardinals assistant team physician.

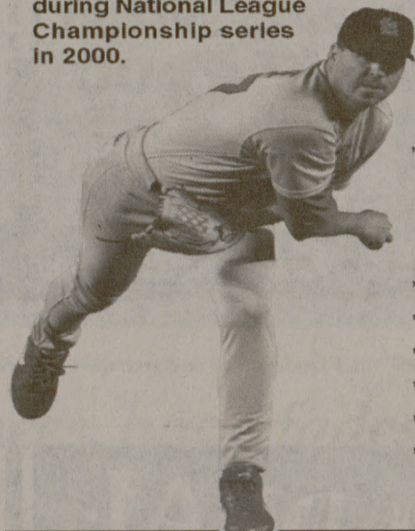
Though there was some talk of postponing Sunday night's game out of respect for Kile, the Cardinals voted unanimously at a team meeting Saturday night to play the game in his honor. A fierce competitor, Kile spent almost 12 years in the majors without ever going on the disabled list.

But this will not be an ordinary game.

A Cardinal loss

Cardinals pitcher Darryl Kile was found dead in the team hotel in Chicago. The cause of death was not provided.

Kile throwing a pitch during National League Championship series in 2000.



Darryl Kile

Dec. 12, 1968 — June 22, 2002
Birthplace Garden Grove, Calif.
Residence Englewood, Colo.
Family Wife, Flynn, and three children

Major league career

YR	TEAM	W-L	ERA
'91	Houston	7-11	3.69
'92	Houston	5-10	3.95
'93	Houston	15-8	3.51
'94	Houston	9-6	4.57
'95	Houston	4-12	4.96
'96	Houston	12-11	4.19
'97	Houston	19-7	2.57
'98	Colorado	13-17	5.20
'99	Colorado	8-13	6.61
'00	St. Louis	20-9	3.91
'01	St. Louis	16-11	3.09
'02	St. Louis	5-4	3.72

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SOURCE: Major League Baseball; Associated Press

AP

Former backup QB Smith to transfer to SHSU

By True Brown
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After being used sparingly for three seasons, former Texas A&M quarterback Vance Smith will transfer to Sam Houston State University for the 2002 season, according to a report in *The Bryan-College Station Eagle* on Friday.

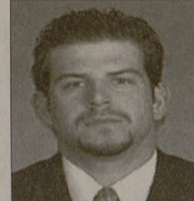
Smith played as a backup to starter Mark Farris last sea-

son, completing 1-of-3 passes during A&M's 31-10 loss to Oklahoma in November.

Smith's announcement came after deciding he would leave the Aggie football team in January to concentrate on academics. Smith is on track to receive his undergraduate degree from A&M in August, and will take graduate classes at Sam Houston.

"There were no hard feel-

ings towards A&M," Smith told *The Eagle*. "I wanted to get out on the field and play again and have an opportunity to showcase my skills. I didn't really feel there was a chance for me to play at A & M."



SMITH

Coach [R.C.] Slocum was great about it. He supported my decision and helped me out by making some calls for me."

The 6-foot-4-inch Grand Prairie native would have had to compete with two other returning scholarship quarterbacks, as well as incoming freshman Reggie McNeal, if he stayed for this season.

Smith redshirted for the

Aggies during their Big 12 championship-winning season and saw the first action of his career in 1999. Against Tulsa that season, Smith passed for the only touchdown of his A&M career. The 53 yards Smith threw for against the Golden Hurricane in that game was also a career high.

For his A&M career, Smith completed 7-of-20 passes for 96 yards.

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