

lost James Cloeren and Jerry Norton in a tragic accident. They died while flying their experimental aircraft near Westminster, MD.

James Cloeren and Jerry Norton were engineers and world renowned experts on ultra-stable oscillators used in satellites for navigation. They spent their careers advancing the technical development of our national space program, both defense and civilian. They built custom oscillators for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the Jet Propulsion Laboratory and the European Space Agency. Oscillators are precision instruments, similar to a clock that would lose no more than a second in a million years. Clocks on data-collecting satellites must be precise and endure radical changes in temperatures and shifts in magnetic pull. The Jet Propulsion Lab described their instruments as "the finest in the solar system in terms of the cleanliness and stability of their output". At the time of their deaths they were working to complete four oscillators that are the heart and soul of a pair of NASA satellites. Using ultra stable oscillators, the satellite will measure small gravitational perturbations that reflect climate changes. The satellite program is called GRACE. Their colleagues at APL are working hard to finish Mr. Cloeren's and Mr. Norton's work. NASA has directed APL to affix the names of Jim and Jerry upon the oscillators in recognition of their pioneering work in space. What a fitting monument that these two satellites will carry the names of these two colleagues who were united in work, friendship and death.

Mr. Cloeren had worked at APL for 20 years and Mr. Norton for 40 years.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Jim's wife Sally of Westminster, MD and daughter Cathy Racow of Boca Raton, FL and Jerry's wife Ann and daughters Maria Lawall, Jane, Tina and 4 grandchildren of Marriottsville, MD.●

TRIBUTE TO UND'S FIGHTING SIOUX, NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS

● Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I rise today to note the accomplishment of the University of North Dakota football team, who on Saturday won the NCAA Division II football championship, defeating Grand Valley State University of Michigan.

It was a nail-biter, and one of the most remarkable, last-minute comebacks in the history of championship football.

UND's spectacular defense held the Grand Valley State team to 14 points, but with less than three minutes to play, and 80 yards to go, we were trailing 14-10. A field goal wouldn't do it. We had to drive the length of the field and score a touchdown. It looked as

though the championship would slip from our grasp.

Moving the ball out to their 41-yard line, UND faced a crucial fourth-down play, needing four yards to keep the drive alive. Quarterback Kelby Klosterman linked up with wide receiver Luke Schleusner on an incredible 58-yard pass play, landing us on the one-yard line. Running back Jed Perkerewicz took the ball the final yard in the last 29 seconds to win the game and the championship for Grand Forks and North Dakota. It was the first national football title in the school's 105-year history.

These were well-matched teams and worthy opponents. Yardage and time of possession were very close, almost identical. UND's 80-yard final drive made the difference. Imagine the pressure.

Only minutes left on the clock, a national championship at stake, and nearly the whole field left to drive. It's a measure of this team's grit and determination that the final drive was marked by two fourth-down conversions. Converting on a fourth down is do or die, fail, and it's all over. UND did it not once, but twice. That's a demonstration of real character.

All of North Dakota is celebrating this tremendous win, but this is an especially sweet victory for the people of Grand Forks. They know about comebacks against long odds. After the floods of 1997 all but destroyed the town, and badly damaged the university, they came back. And Grand Forks is on its way to being bigger and better than ever.

Grand Forks is a comeback town, and North Dakota is a comeback team. I could not be more proud of these fine young athletes and their coaches.

And I look forward to the conclusion of a little bet that Senator DORGAN and I made last Friday with our dear colleagues from Michigan, Senators LEVIN and STABENOW. I look forward to hearing them recite the words of the UND fight song, loud and clear from the steps of the United States Capitol this week.

While the two final plays in the game put us over the top, everyone knows that at UND, it's teamwork that matters. Every member of this team contributed to the victory. I would ask to have printed in the RECORD the full roster of this championship team, and their first-rate coaching staff. They have made us very proud.

The roster follows:

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA FIGHTING SIOUX TEAM ROSTER

- No. 1, Thayne Bosh.
- No. 2, Jesse Smith.
- No. 3, Dustin Thornburg.
- No. 4, Jamel Alkins.
- No. 5, Adam Roland.
- No. 6, Shad Carney.
- No. 7, Jeff Glas.
- No. 8, Caleb Johnson.
- No. 9, Kelby Klosterman.

- No. 11, Cameron Peterka.
- No. 11, Jamaal Franklin.
- No. 12, John Bowenkamp.
- No. 13, Joe Wilson.
- No. 14, Evan Nelson.
- No. 15, Brian Loe.
- No. 16, Josh Ranson.
- No. 17, Bret Bentow.
- No. 18, Jim Miller.
- No. 19, Tom Maus.
- No. 20, Ryan Manke.
- No. 21, Peyton Ross.
- No. 22, Cory Urban.
- No. 23, Tony Hermes.
- No. 24, Willis Stattelman.
- No. 25, Craig Riendeau.
- No. 25, Demetrius Charles.
- No. 26, Adam Stratton.
- No. 27, Josh Copple.
- No. 29, Tom Miller.
- No. 30, Gregg Olson.
- No. 32, Jamaal Griffin.
- No. 33, Adam Dehnicke.
- No. 33, Danny Gagner.
- No. 34, Riza Mahmoud.
- No. 35, Matt Nelson.
- No. 36, Chris Beatty.
- No. 36, Travis O'Neel.
- No. 37, Jed Perkerewicz.
- No. 37, Matt Hillbrand.
- No. 38, Josh Brandsted.
- No. 38, Mike O'Neil.
- No. 39, Brian Wilhelmi.
- No. 40, Digger Anderson.
- No. 40, Eric Schmidt.
- No. 42, Ross Brennan.
- No. 43, Matt Vanderpan.
- No. 44, Tyler Dahlen.
- No. 45, Chad Mustard.
- No. 46, Jason Gravos.
- No. 47, David Wisthoff.
- No. 48, Josh Kotelnicki.
- No. 49, Blaise Larson.
- No. 50, Mac Schneider.
- No. 52, Andy Hendrickson.
- No. 53, Mike Mularoni.
- No. 54, Troy Newhouse.
- No. 55, Tom Irvin.
- No. 56, Josh Christofferson.
- No. 57, Brook Maier.
- No. 58, Eric Halstenson.
- No. 59, Jake Nordick.
- No. 60, Ross Walker.
- No. 61, Dan Schill.
- No. 62, Josh Cranston.
- No. 63, Ryan Grant.
- No. 64, Brennan Marsh.
- No. 65, Stephen Larsen.
- No. 66, Mike Gruchalla.
- No. 67, Jason Peterson.
- No. 68, Matt Knutson.
- No. 70, Brian Osterday.
- No. 71, Dave Butler.
- No. 72, Ben Murphy.
- No. 73, Chris Kuper.
- No. 74, Mike Crouse.
- No. 75, Brian Dokken.
- No. 76, Ben Olson.
- No. 77, Barry Smith.
- No. 78, Matt Buisiker.
- No. 78, Mike Bryant.
- No. 79, Mike Wacek.
- No. 80, John Kyvig.
- No. 81, Dan Graf.
- No. 82, Justin Klabo.
- No. 84, Jesse Ahlers.
- No. 85, Erik Ahlstrom.

UND FIGHTING SIOUX COACHES AND 2001 STAFF

- Dale Lennon, Head Coach.
- Kyle Schweigert, Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator.
- Chris Mussman, Offensive Coordinator.
- Tom Dorsch, Defensive Line/OLB.
- Tim Tibesar, Inside Linebackers.