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Oklahoma's Tre Brown Receives Latest 2018 Capital One Orange Bowl-FWAA Courage Award Nomination



MIAMI LAKES, FL. (www.orangebowl.org) - Oklahoma's Tre Brown is this week's nominee for the 2018 Capital One Orange Bowl-FWAA Courage Award. Brown, a sophomore cornerback, lost his mother Oct. 14 but has not missed a game for the Sooners.

"It was just powerful," Oklahoma coach Lincoln Riley said Oct. 22, two days after Brown starred in a win over TCU. "I still really don't know how the kid did it; to come play at the level he did. He played extremely well. Credit to him, the inner strength he has, the support system around him; his family, friends, teammates here, family here. I think a lot of people lifted him up. And he lifted a lot of us up, too, even in a hard time for him. Having him back was special."

Brown's mother, Beverly Brewer, died on Oct. 14. Her funeral was three days later in Tulsa, Okla., where several of Brown's Sooner teammates served as pallbearers.

Brown then made his first start of the season Oct. 20 in a 52-27 win over the Horned Frogs, tallying four tackles and two pass breakups, which earned him a game ball from Riley in the locker room. He started at corner again in this past Saturday's 51-14 win over Kansas State, and he returned the game's opening kickoff 27 yards.

Brown, a 5-foot-10, 182-pounder from Tulsa, leads the Sooners with six pass breakups this season. He has 25 total tackles and three tackles for loss.

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The Courage Award was first presented by the Football Writers Association of America (FWAA) in 2002. A select group of writers from the FWAA vote on the winner each year. The requirements for nomination include displaying courage on or off the field, including overcoming an injury or physical handicap, preventing a disaster or living through hardship. The winner of the award will be included in festivities during Capital One Orange Bowl week and receive his trophy at an on-field presentation.

Previous Winners of the Capital One Orange Bowl-FWAA Courage Award

2017 D’Cota Dixon - Wisconsin	2009 University of Connecticut Football Team
2016 James Conner – Pittsburgh	2008 Wilson Holloway - Tulsa
2015 Hunter Knighton - Miami	2007 Zerbin Singleton - Navy
2014 Laken Tomlinson - Duke	2006 Ray Ray McElrathbey - Clemson
2013 Anthony Larceval - San Jose State	2005 Tulane Football Team
2012 Daniel Rodriguez - Clemson	2004 Haracia Colen - Memphis
2011 Arthur Ray - Michigan State	2003 Neil Parry - San Jose State
2010 Eric LeGrand - Rutgers	2002 William Bratton – Toledo

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About FWAA

Founded in 1941, the **Football Writers Association of America** consists of 1,400 men and women who cover college football. The membership includes journalists, broadcasters and publicists, as well as key executives in all the areas that involve the game. The FWAA works to govern areas that include game-

day operations, major awards and its annual All-America team. For more information about the FWAAs and its award programs, contact Steve Richardson at tiger@fwa.com.

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