

# Their Final Farewer



## A Word From Coach Fano

#### BRUCE LOCKWOOD JR.:

It's hard to believe it's been four years already. I can't say enough about how proud I am of Bruce. Not just what he has done on the court, but off the court as well. Bruce's hard work and commitment to excellence have set a shining example to our team, and I am forever grateful to his contributions to our program. I can not to see what the future holds for Bruce."



#### **OWEN ZIEGLER:**

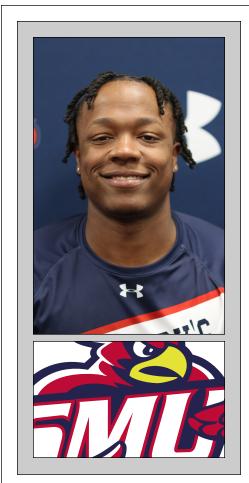
Owen will graduate as the best 3-point shooter in school history. He is a great example of what being a tremendous teammate is. His hard work and dedication have more than paid off. He is a major reason why we have had the success we have had over his four years. As great a player as Owen is, he is an even a better person for everything he has done off the court. I have no doubt Owen will be successful after his time at Saint Mary's.



#### TOMMY COMSTOCK:

I want to thank Tommy for unwavering support the last two years. His commitment, hard work, and positive attitude have been invaluable, and we are grateful for his contributions to our team both on and off the field. I am looking forward to seeing Tommy's success after he graduates.







Year

Senior

**Position** 

**Forward** 

Major

Elementary Education

Hometown

Shakopee, Minn.

CAREER BY THE NUMBERS									
Year	GP	FG-FGA	3PT-FGA	FT-FTA	REB	PPG			
2020-21	8	7-19	0-1	4-13	15	2.3			
2021-22	20	31-59	0-0	14-35	68	3.8			
2022-23	25	33-60	0-1	8-21	115	3.0			
2023-24	22	63-121	0-2	22-38	130	6.7			
Career	75	134-259	0-4	48-107	328	4.2			

### **Bruce Bids Farewell**

IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE THAT it's officially senior night for myself! It doesn't even feel real that my four years as a Cardinal have been the best four years of my life. I'll never forget the day I got to campus my freshman year and met my teammates, Coach Fano and Coach Brown. I remember the first night I was a little nervous about what was to come but I knew that it'd all be worth it in the end, and it forsure was. Without the continuous support of my family and friends I'm not sure if the transition from high school to college would have been possible.

I would first like to thank my mom. She's been my rock and go to since day one, I can't even put it all into words the amount of love and appreciation I have for her. Next, I'd like to thank my dad. The amount of time you spent with me in the gym and the countless film sessions we had made me elevate my game a lot. I'd also like to thank both of my brothers. Without you guys I'm not sure if I'd be able to play every game with all the fight and aggression. You guys pushed me to be the best man I can be. Lastly, I'd like to thank my cousins. Whether I wanted to hear it or not, you guys always critiqued my game and wanted me to perform my best each and every night.

To the coach I never thought I'd meet and have next to my side, Coach Fano. Thank you for believing in me and welcoming me with open arms. You supported me through good times and bad. You believed in me and what I brought to this program since day one when I got to campus. You brought the love of basketball back into my life and I will forever be grateful for that. Coach Brown, you made my first year very special. You gave everything you had to each and everyone of the players every single day and you were a huge part of my development and me choosing to be a Cardinal. Coach Doherty, thank you for everything you brought to this program. Even though your time here wasn't very long, you did everything you could to make your time here remarkable and I couldn't thank you enough. Coach Quinn, you brought the best out of me. You pushed players past their limits each and everyday and took the game of basketball seriously and the development of your players as well, thank you. Coach Keaton, thank you for getting me in the gym and helping me develop my game and play style. You helped me understand so many different things on and off the court which I still use to my advantage to this day. Coach Bobb, this year has been special. You put a lot of confidence into not only myself but this team as a whole. Thank you for everything you brought to this program, you have made a huge

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difference.

I would like to say thank you to all of the strength and conditioning coaches. You guys pushed me each and every day and everything I did in the weight room forsure helped my game a lot.

To all of the trainers, thank you. You guys weren't only people that I could count on when I needed recovery or treatment but you guys were the ones that I could come to all the time and just be myself around and crack a joke or two with!

Lastly, I'd like to say thank you to all of the fans, administrators, my teammates, and managers. You guys are my why. I do everything to put a smile on others' faces and I give my all for you guys. I enjoyed being supported by each and every one of you and you made my time here very special and I couldn't thank and love you all enough.

—B-Lock out.





# Owen #23 Ziegler

Year

Senior

**Position** 

Guard

Major

Business Intelligence & Analytics / Finance

Hometown

Mount Horeb, Wis.

CAREER BY THE NUMBERS								
Year	GP	FG-FGA	3PT-FGA	FT-FTA	REB PPG			
2020-21	8	8-24	5-17	1-2	5 2.8			
2021-22	23	122-385	38-90	8-11	54 6.1			
2022-23	26	110-238	86-186	20-20	71 12.5			
2023-24	23	72-183	62-152	19-20	54 9.8			
Career	80	237-567	191-445	48-53	145 8.9			

#### Owen Bids Farewell

WHERE HAS THE TIME GONE? I want to thank Saint Mary's University of Minnesota for allowing me to be a student-athlete for these great four years. I can still remember moving into Benilde Hall my freshmen year and being with all the freshmen those couple of days before school got started! It is crazy to think that I have been wearing the Cardinal jersey for four years now. I knew that basketball would bring to many places that I could not even think of, but basketball has brought me a family, which is everyone here at Saint Mary's. There have been so many memories on and off the court and many relationships made that I love. This college has been even better than I could imagine, and I cannot thank the Saint Mary's community enough!

I want to thank Coach Fano for letting me play the sport I love. Coach, you have been there for me every step of the way and I appreciate everything you have done for me. Where this program has been and where it is now is incredible, and I am honored to be a part of history in many of ways. There have been so many memories made from practice, games, going on restaurants, team dinners, and playing card games in hotel lobbies! I will cherish all those great memories. Without you, I would not be where I am today as a basketball player and a person. I cannot thank you enough for all you have done for me and have the upmost respect for you!

I want to thank Coach Bobb, as well. I know that you have only been here for a year, but you have been an open door for me when I needed it the most. It seems like we have known each other for longer than a year. I appreciate all the time spent in the gym, on road trips, in the office, and everywhere else. No matter what, you always had my back and I appreciate you so much for that! Thank you for all you have done for me.

To all my teammates, I thank you. Being with each other every day in practices, study halls, team dinners, weight room sessions, and more, I have cherished every moment and I have loved every second of it. All of you guys have made me a better basketball player, but more importantly, a better person! When basketball is done, I will not miss the sport the most, I will miss spending time with all of you guys the most. From bus rides, team dinners, card games, phone games, and everything else that we all did together, that is what I am going to miss the most. I love all of you guys and I appreciate all of you guys for always being there for me and always having my back!

I want to thank my mom, Helena, and my dad, Kevin. I appreciate and

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love you guys so much for being there for me every step of the way. You are both my role models about how you approach life and how treat people. You guys are an inspiration to me, and I want to make you guys proud every day! It means the world to me that I get to see you guys at every game. I know you both sacrifice so much for me and I cannot thank you guys enough for all you do for me! I love you both so much!

Now, I want to thank the biggest Saint Mary's Men's Basketball fan of all time, my little brother, Eli. You are my biggest role model about how I approach life. I try to be like you by caring about everyone and making everyone around me happy. Some of the best memories as a Cardinal are seeing you being one of the first people in the gym making everyone excited and happy. Also, when looking back at the film of the game, I see one individual always cheering no matter what the score is and is the first one on the floor after a big win. I am so honored to be Eli Ziegler's brother. Thank you for being my biggest fan and I will always be your biggest fan, Eli!

I want to thank all the past coaches, as well. I want to thank all the coaches from Mount Horeb that have coached me all the way up until high school. All the coaches in Mount Horeb have taught me so much about basketball and life. I appreciate all of you guys for staying in touch for my career at Saint Mary's. Also, I want to thank Coach Brown, Coach Quinn, and Coach Keaton for everything you guys have done for me. All the coaches have impacted my life positively and I appreciate all of them for caring so much about me.

I want to give a special shout out to the Lange's for always letting me go to the shed whenever I am home. Without you guys, I would not be where I am today.

I want to thank the training crew, as well. All of you care so much about me, the basketball team, and all of Cardinal Athletics and you all have done so much for me. Thank you for always being there for me and answering all my "dumb" questions about little injuries. Also, I want to thank Coach Jess and Coach Leeps for preparing the team and I for our season and helping us throughout the season and offseason. I appreciate everything all of you do for me!



When it comes to basketball, my father always told me, "When it is all said and done, you will not think much about the career highs and school records, but you will think about all the relationships and memories you have made."

Thank you again Saint Mary's for all you have done for me and accepting me into your family. Forever, Roll Cards!





# Tommy Comstock

Year

Senior

Role

Manager

Major

Sports Management/ Bus. Intel. & Analytics

Hometown

W. Bear Lake, Minn.

## Tommy Bids Farewell

TIME REALLY FLIES. It's hard to believe that my time at Saint Mary's is coming to an end. If I could go back and ask my freshman self where I would be in 4 years, I would have never guessed it would be here, but I am sure glad I am. When I joined the team last year, I was nervous and honestly a little skeptical as I didn't know many of the guys. They embraced me with open arms and made me feel welcomed from day one, and I will forever be grateful for that.

To the players: These past two years, I have had the privilege of not only calling you all my friends but also my family. In our time together, we have made countless memories, both good and bad, but we've always stuck together. From long bus rides, to team meals, and prac-

tices, there are many moments that I will be able to look back on and cherish for the rest of my life. You guys have such bright futures and I will always be rooting for you no matter where life takes you.

To my parents, Mike and Lisa: Thank you for everything you have done to help me get to where I am today. I could not have done it without you. Both of you have made tons of sacrifices for me over the years. From driving me all over for basketball and baseball games, to making sure I was always taken care of, I always knew I could count on you. As I have gotten older, I have realized that from a young age you both instilled values and beliefs in me that have helped me become the man I am today. I am incredibly lucky to call you my parents, and I love you both.



To Coach Fano: Thank you for giving me the opportunity to be a part of this team. You were a big part of making me feel welcomed when I was not sure about what I wanted my role to be at the beginning of last season. I will never forget our first win together on the road at Crown in 2022. That post-game celebration in the locker room is one of my favorite memories. It has been a pleasure working with you these past two years. We have accomplished some great things as a team, and none of that would be possible without you.

To Coach Bobb: I want to thank you for all of the support and guidance you have given me in our one season together. You put in a lot of time and effort with film and scouts, among many other things and it shows. Some of my favorite memories with you are laughing at the guys for the goofy things they do on a daily basis. You are a great coach and I have been lucky to have you in my corner.

Lastly, I would like to thank Saint Mary's for allowing me to further my education and serve as the men's basketball manager. If there is one thing that both basketball and school have taught me, it is to be confident and be yourself. If you put in the work and believe in yourself good things will come. I am certain that I will be a better man because of all the experiences and relationships that I have built along the way.

Thank you.