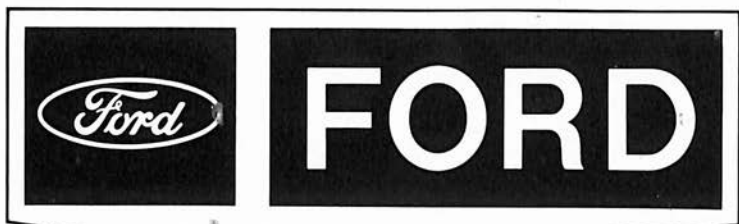




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## ADMINISTRATION

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|                                 |                 |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Head Coach .....                | Bud Grant       |
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| Offensive Coach .....           | Jerry Burns     |
| Defensive Line Coach .....      | Buddy Ryan      |
| Offensive Line Coach .....      | John Michels    |
| Offensive Backfield Coach ..... | Bus Mertes      |
| Linebacker Coach .....          | Jocko Nelson    |

# VIKINGS FACTS

**Name** — Minnesota Vikings (nickname due to historical ties believed to exist between original Vikings and the area as well as Nordic and Scandinavian ancestry of many area residents).

**Franchise Granted** — January, 1960

**Franchise Cost** — \$600,000

**First Season** — 1961

**Team Colors** — Purple and White with Gold trim

**Uniforms — Home:** Purple helmets with white Vikings horns; purple jerseys with white numerals edged in gold; white pants with purple and gold stripe; purple knee stockings.

**Uniforms — Road:** Same helmet and pants as at home; white jerseys with purple numerals and purple and gold shoulder stripes; purple knee stockings.

**Home Field** — Metropolitan Stadium, Bloomington (capacity 48,446).

**Affiliation** — National Football League, National Football Conference, Central Division.

**Championships** — NFC Central Division 1968, 69, 70, 71, 73, 74, 75, 76

NFL Western Division 1969

National Football League 1969

National Football Conference 1973, 74, 76

**General Managers** — Bert E. Rose, Jr. 1961-1964; James E. Finks 1964-1974; Michael E. Lynn 1975-present.

**Coaches** — Norm Van Brocklin 1961-1966; Bud Grant 1967-present.

**Club Record** — 127 victories, 89 losses, 8 ties (16 seasons).



# MAX WINTER

## President



Max Winter moved to the forefront of the Minnesota Vikings operation in his 10th year as president of the club . . . willingly and confidently, but with some reservations. Those reservations, however, had nothing to do with his abilities: Max Winter had spent much of his life as a sports executive.

"It was just that I had no intention, at this stage of the game, of going back to work," Winter said with a smile. "But, also, I felt very strongly that ownership should be involved in management in the National Football League. That's not just the feeling here; it's the feeling around the league."

Winter took over active management of the club in the spring of 1975. "I'd rather be on the golf course," he said, smiling again. "But on the other hand there is a tremendous amount of satisfaction in this. You know, this sort of thing was my bag before."

To say the least.

Max Winter brought the first big league team to the Twin Cities, building the Minneapolis Lakers into one of the more solid and successful franchises in sports history, winning five championships in seven years.

It was when he still was president and general manager of the Lakers, in 1955, that Winter saw an NFL game in Chicago. He followed up almost immediately, writing to the NFL for a franchise. And he kept at it, with the same persistence that made him successful as owner of the Lakers, as a boxing promoter, as a restaurant operator.

Finally, it came to pass. In 1960, a franchise was awarded to Winter and his group (at that time Bill Boyer and H.P. Skoglund) for the 1961 season. And thus a new vista opened for Max Winter, but still in the area of sports that he had enjoyed for so many years.

Winter was born in the Austrian village of Mahrishostrau and was a gymnast and ice skater. His family emigrated to the United States in 1913 and settled in Minneapolis.

Max attended North High School in Minneapolis, graduating in 1922 after playing football and captaining the basketball team. His basketball talents won him a scholarship at Hamline University in St. Paul.

From college he went on to become a fight manager, a fight promoter (including handling bouts for Jack Dempsey), a co-owner of the 620 Club restaurant. He also promoted Harlem Globe Trotter games and then graduated to the Lakers.

One of the players he signed was a University of Minnesota all-around athlete named Bud Grant.

"That was in 1949," Winter said. "It was Bud's first job in pro sports. He also was my No. 1 choice for the first coach of the Vikings. And he certainly was my No. 1 choice in 1967, when we finally hired him."

Winter's Lakers won world championships both years Grant was with the team. And the Winter-Grant Viking alliance hasn't done badly, either — the team has become a virtual playoff regular and the organization is recognized as one of the best-run franchises in the NFL.

Winter and his wife, Helen, have three daughters, Mrs. Sue Diamond, Mrs. Nancy Ditlove and Mrs. Diane Cohen, and eight grandchildren.



## **MIKE LYNN**

### **Vice President-General Manager**

Mike Lynn became general manager of the Vikings in 1975 after a year as assistant to the president. Typical of the job, his duties are multi-faceted — but one of his biggest triumphs has to be the recent state legislative decision that authorizes the construction of a new stadium.

Lynn joined the Vikings during one of pro football's most unsettled periods — with no collective bargaining agreement — and helped the club weather that storm without any loss of the stability that has characterized the organization.

It also was during that time that the stadium issue reached the Legislature for the first time and Lynn channeled a large portion of his energies into that project. He has involved himself in all phases of the Vikings operation, including scouting, working with the draft, trades, etc. During his two years as general manager, the team has won 23, lost 4 and tied one.

Lynn first became involved with the National Football League in 1965 when he formed a group that sought an NFL franchise for Memphis, Tenn. He formed a group to make the purchase, the newly constructed stadium was ready and he was to serve as either president or managing general partner.

But Memphis, chose, instead to cast its lot with the World Football League and Lynn was hired by Vikings president Max Winter from among 50 applicants.

Lynn was born in Scranton, Pa., on May 18, 1936. At age 17, while attending Morris Hills Regional High School in New Jersey, Lynn became the youngest manager of a theater in the history of the Walter Reade chain of theaters. He spent three years with the Army Security Agency — one year in Korea — and ran a chain of movie theaters in Delaware and Maryland after he was discharged.

In 1963, at the age of 27, Lynn became general manager of a department store in East St. Louis — becoming, according to a national trade publication, the youngest man of that title working for a store that did over \$10 million of business annually. In 1964 he became a group executive of Dixiemart-Corondolet in Memphis, a chain of stores that did \$50 million in business annually.

In 1965 Memphis completed a 50,000-seat stadium and Mike Lynn first became interested in an NFL franchise. That interest culminated in Mid-South Sports, Inc., which sponsored eight NFL pre-season games, including a Vikings-St. Louis game in 1969. He founded the Chamber of Commerce Sports Committee and was chairman of the Mayor's NFL Committee, representing the city in all negotiations with the NFL. At the same time, he served as chief executive officer of the Memphis ABA team.

Lynn attended Pace University in New York City and is married and the father of three children — Louisa, 13; Robert, 12, and Michael IV, 8. His wife, Jorja, is the former Miss Hospitality for the State of Mississippi. The family, including his mother, live in a Minneapolis suburb.



H. Peterson



J. Reichow



F. Gilliam

## **HARLEY PETERSON**

### **Coordinator-Administration**

Harley Peterson joined the Vikings as business manager in January 1970, holding that title until being named coordinator-administration in 1975.

He was born and raised in Mankato, Minn., and has a degree in business administration from Mankato State College — the school where the Vikings hold their training camp. He lettered in baseball as a shortstop at Mankato State.

After graduating from college, Peterson joined Arthur Andersen & Co., an accounting firm, and was with the organization from 1960 to 1970 with the exception of two years spent in the Army.

He was tax manager at Arthur Andersen at the time he left to join the Vikings.

Harley and his wife, Barb, have two children — Wendy and Tom.

## **JERRY REICHOW**

### **Coordinator-Football Operations**

Jerry Reichow was director of player personnel for the Vikings for nine years until being named coordinator-football operations in 1975.

Reichow was an All-Big Ten quarterback at Iowa and started his pro football career at Detroit. He played on the Philadelphia Eagles' 1960 championship team, quarterbacked by Norm Van Brocklin. When Van Brocklin became Viking coach in 1961, he engineered a trade that brought Reichow to the Vikings.

Reichow played wide receiver and tight end for the Vikings from 1961 until his retirement as a player in 1964. He holds the Vikings record for touchdown pass receptions in a season with 11 in 1961 and led the club in receptions in 1961 and 1962.

Reichow is a native of Decorah, Iowa, and resides in Plymouth, Minn. He has three children — Alan, Lori and Jimmie.

## **FRANK GILLIAM**

### **Director of Player Personnel**

Frank Gilliam joined the Vikings in 1970 as scouting director and was named director of player personnel in 1975.

Gilliam played college football at the University of Iowa, where he was a teammate of Jerry Reichow's and an All-Big Ten end in 1956.

He played pro football with Winnipeg and Vancouver of the Canadian Football League and was an assistant coach at Iowa from 1966-1970.

Gilliam's brother, Joe, is assistant head coach at Tennessee State University.

He is a native of Steubenville, Ohio, and resides in Bloomington, Minn. Frank and his wife, Velma, have three children — Frank Jr., Gayle and Michelle.

## THE DIRECTORS



**Max Winter**



**H.P. Skoglund**

The Board of Directors of the Minnesota Vikings is made up of Max Winter, H.P. Skoglund, Jack Steele, Mrs. Ole Haugsrud and Sheldon Kaplan.

Max Winter, Viking President, has been with the team from its inception and oversees the day-by-day operation. He also is chairman of the board of his own business, Viking Enterprises.

H.P. Skoglund, Chairman of the Board and Treasurer, is in investments.

Jack Steele, representing the estate of his father-in-law, the late Bill Boyer, is Vice President of Bill Boyer Ford.

Mrs. Haugsrud's late husband, Ole, formerly owned and operated the Duluth Eskimos, one of the first pro football teams.

Sheldon Kaplan is the Vikings' attorney and is a partner in the law firm of Maslon, Kaplan, Edelman, Borman, Brand and McNulty.



**Jack Steele**



**Mrs. Ole Haugsrud**



**Sheldon Kaplan**



# BUD GRANT

## Head Coach



### PLAYING CAREER

**COLLEGE:** Won nine varsity letters — four in football, three in basketball and two in baseball — at the University of Minnesota from 1946-1949. Went to Minnesota after being in the Navy for a year. Played football and basketball at Great Lakes Naval Training Center where his coaches included Paul Brown (football) and Weeb Ewbank (basketball). At Minnesota he was named All-Big Ten twice in football, as an end.

**PRO:** Played basketball with the Minneapolis Lakers for two seasons (1949-50 and 1950-51), when they were World Champions. Finding, at 6-foot-3, he was one of "those little forwards" he signed with the Philadelphia Eagles, which had drafted him No. 1 in 1950. As a rookie he started as a defensive end. In his second season he moved to offense and was the No. 2-ranking receiver in the NFL with 56 catches. His first pass reception as a pro was good for 84 yards and a touchdown against Pittsburgh. After contractual difficulties with the Eagles, Grant signed with Winnipeg of the Canadian League and played four seasons as a wide receiver (216 receptions) and cornerback (holds record of five interceptions in one game). Led the league in receptions three times.

### COACHING CAREER

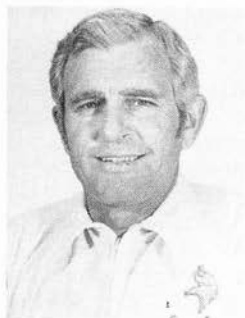
**PRO:** Grant, at age 29, was named head coach at Winnipeg of the Canadian Football League after the 1956 season — replacing Allie Sherman. In 20 years as a professional coach Grant has a record of 200 victories, 94 defeats and 6 ties. His 11 wins in 1976 brought him to the 200 mark for an average of 10 a year. In 10 seasons, Grant's Winnipeg teams had a 102-56-2 regular-season record. In playoff competition, his teams won 20, lost 10 and tied one . . . winning five Western Conference titles and four Grey Cup championships. He became head coach of the Vikings in 1967 and has a 98-38-4 NFL record. His victory percentage of .714 is fourth-best in NFL history — behind only John Madden (.772), Don Shula (.747) and Vince Lombardi (.728). His Vikings teams have won eight Central Division championships in ten years — plus one NFL Western Conference title, one NFL championship and three NFC titles. His Vikings teams have the best record of any NFL team in the 1970s — 75-22-1 (a .770 winning percentage).

### PERSONAL

Grant is an avid hunter, fisherman and naturalist . . . spending as much free time as possible at the family lake home in northern Wisconsin. The home is on property he bought with his mustering out pay from the service and where his first lodging was a tent. Bud and his wife, Pat, have six children and live in Bloomington, Minn.



## DEFENSIVE COACHES



Neill Armstrong



Jocko Nelson



Buddy Ryan

### NEILL ARMSTRONG — DEFENSE

Neill Ford Armstrong . . . Born March 9, 1926, at Tishomingo, Okla . . . Eighth year on the Vikings staff . . . played college football at Oklahoma A&M, 1943-47 . . . Played professionally with Philadelphia of the NFL, 1947-51; and Winnipeg of the CFL, 1951, 1953-54 . . . Coached at Oklahoma State, 1955-61; Houston Oilers, 1962-63; and head coach at Edmonton, Alberta CFL, 1964-69 . . . Neill and his wife, Jane, have three children.

### JOCKO NELSON — LINEBACKERS

Jack (Jocko) Alton Nelson . . . Born July 13, 1927 at Hibbing, Minn. . . . Seventh year on Vikings staff . . . played at Gustavus Adolphus College 1946-49 . . . Coached at Grand Marais, 1950-51 . . . Mora, 1952-53 . . . Utah State, 1954-56 . . . University of Colorado, 1957-58 . . . University of Michigan, 1958-65 . . . Head coach at Gustavus Adolphus College, 1966-70 . . . Jocko and his wife, Lee, have four children.

### BUDDY RYAN — DEFENSIVE LINE

James (Buddy) Ryan . . . Born February 16, 1934, at Frederick, Okla . . . Second year on Vikings' staff . . . Played college football (as a guard) at Oklahoma State, 1952-55 . . . College coach at Buffalo 1961-65, Vanderbilt 1966, University of Pacific 1967. Pro coach with New York Jets 1968-75 . . . Married, wife's name is Joan. He has three children.

## OFFENSIVE COACHES



**Jerry Burns**



**Bus Mertes**



**John Michels**

### **JERRY BURNS — OFFENSE**

Jerome Monahan Burns . . . Born January 24, 1927, at Detroit, Mich. . . Tenth year on Vikings staff . . . Played college football at University of Michigan, 1947-51 . . . Coached University of Hawaii, 1951; Whittier College, 1952; St. Mary's of Redord High School in Detroit, 1953; assistant coach at University of Iowa, 1954-60, and head coach University of Iowa, 1961-65 . . . Assistant coach with the Green Bay Packers, 1966-67 . . . Jerry and his wife, Marlyn, have five children.

### **BUS MERTES — OFFENSIVE BACKS**

Bernard James Mertes . . . Born October 6, 1923, at Chicago, Ill. . . Eleventh year on Vikings staff . . . Played college football at University of Iowa, 1939-41, and with Iowa Seahawks Naval Preflight, 1942-44 . . . Played professional football with Chicago Cardinals, 1945; Los Angeles Dons, 1946; Baltimore Colts, 1947-48; and New York Giants, 1949-1950 . . . Head Coach at Bradley University 1951-52; Kansas State, 1953-59; and Drake, 1960-64 . . . Coached with Denver Broncos of AFL 1965-66 . . . Bus and his wife, Pauline, have five children.

### **JOHN MICHELS — OFFENSIVE LINE**

John Joseph Michels . . . Born February 15, 1931, at Philadelphia, Pa. . . Eleventh year on Vikings staff . . . Played college football at University of Tennessee, 1949-53 . . . Played professional football with Philadelphia, NFL, 1953 and 1956 and Winnipeg, CFL, 1957 . . . Coached at Texas A&M, 1958 and with Winnipeg (under Bud Grant), 1959-66 . . . John and his wife, Ann, have four children.

# THE VETERANS

**ALLEN, NATE**  
Cornerback

Texas Southern  
Ht: 5-11, Wt: 175

Born: 5-13-48  
7th Year (T-76)



**PRO:** Was acquired from San Francisco for a 1978 sixth-round draft choice in training camp last season and moved in as starting right cornerback for the injured Bobby Bryant. Started four pre-season and 11 regular-season games until suffering a sprained ankle and being replaced by Bryant. Blocked two field goals and one conversion in regular and post-season play. Both field goal blocks were against the Rams — saving an overtime tie in the regular season and knocking down an attempt in the NFC championship game that Bryant picked up and ran in for a touchdown. His three pass interceptions (ranking second on the club) were a career high. Caused two fumbles and made 66 tackles. Also a key man on the punt and kickoff teams. Drafted by Kansas City on the 11th round in 1971 and became a starter at left cornerback in 1973. Acquired by the 49ers in 1975.

**COLLEGE:** Named All-Southwestern Athletic Conference and All-American as a cornerback at Texas Southern in 1970. Named his team's outstanding defensive back in 1969 and 1970.

**PERSONAL:** Born in Georgetown, S.C. and lived in Edina, Minn. most of the off-season. He is single.

## NATE ALLEN CAREER STATISTICS INTERCEPTIONS

| Yr            | No       | Yds        | Avg         | LG        | TD       |
|---------------|----------|------------|-------------|-----------|----------|
| *1971         | 0        | 0          | 0.0         | 0         | 0        |
| *1972         | 1        | 4          | 4.0         | 4         | 0        |
| *1973         | 1        | 8          | 8.0         | 8         | 0        |
| *1974         | 1        | 52         | 52.0        | 52        | 0        |
| †1975         | 1        | 37         | 37.0        | 37        | 1        |
| 1976          | 3        | 44         | 14.7        | 30        | 0        |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>7</b> | <b>145</b> | <b>20.7</b> | <b>52</b> | <b>1</b> |

GAMES: 1971 (4), 1972 (14), 1973 (14), 1974 (12), 1975 (14), 1976 (12)

\*With Kansas City

†With San Francisco

**ANDERSON, SCOTT**  
Center-Guard

Missouri  
Ht: 6-4, Wt: 256

Born: 2-13-51  
3rd Year (D3-74)



**PRO:** Played in two games in 1976 before suffering a knee injury and being placed on the injured reserve list in October. Chose to sit out of football in 1975 after his rookie season. Drafted originally as a center but also was worked at guard last season.

**COLLEGE:** At Missouri, played tackle as a sophomore, guard as a junior and center as a senior . . . winning Time All-American honors at center. Lettered all three years. College major was recreation. His father was a Little-All American center.

**PERSONAL:** Born in Benton, Ill., and lived in Manchester, Mo. in the off-season. Married, wife's name is Kati.

GAMES: 1974 (5), 1976 (2)

**BEAMON, AUTRY**  
Safety

**East Texas State**  
Ht: 6-1, Wt: 190

**Born: 11-11-53**  
3rd Year (D12-75)



**PRO:** Had big day against the Rams in the regular season, recovering a fumble in the end zone to stop one drive and then intercepting a pass at the three-yard line in the final 10 seconds of the fourth quarter and returning it 41 yards. Played in every game — regular season and post-season — mostly on special teams. Was one of return-men in Vikings' three-deep-men punt receiving formation. Has played cornerback and both safety positions.

**COLLEGE:** Was named to All-Lone Star Conference team as a freshman, sophomore, junior and senior. Intercepted eight passes as a senior, totaling 32 in his career. Was red-shirted as a 16-year-old freshman. Has a degree in business administration.

**PERSONAL:** Born in Terrell, Texas, and lived in Edina, Minn., in the off-season. Worked for the National Alliance of Businessmen, recruiting jobs for disadvantaged students. He is single.

#### AUTRY BEAMON CAREER STATISTICS

| Yr            | INTERCEPTIONS |           |             |           |          | No       | PUNT RETURNS |           |            |           |          |
|---------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|----------|----------|--------------|-----------|------------|-----------|----------|
|               | No            | Yds       | Avg         | LG        | TD       |          | FC           | Yds       | Avg        | LG        | TD       |
| 1975          | 1             | 0         | 0.0         | 0         | 0        | 1        | 1            | 0         | 0.0        | 0         | 0        |
| 1976          | 1             | 41        | 41.0        | 41        | 0        | 7        | 5            | 19        | 2.7        | 14        | 0        |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>2</b>      | <b>41</b> | <b>20.5</b> | <b>41</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>8</b> | <b>6</b>     | <b>19</b> | <b>2.4</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>0</b> |

GAMES: 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

**BERRY, BOB**  
Quarterback

**Oregon**  
Ht: 5-11, Wt: 185

**Born: 3-10-42**  
13th Year (T-73)



**PRO:** Still was hobbled somewhat last year by broken ankle suffered in 1975 . . . and which required surgery between seasons. Vikings originally acquired Berry's rights from Philadelphia in 1964. He was sold to Atlanta in 1968. Was a starter at Atlanta for five seasons before he was traded back to the Vikings (along with a No. 1 draft choice) for Bob Lee and Lonnie Warwick in 1973.

**COLLEGE:** Set career records at Oregon in passing and total offense — getting him invitations to the Hula Bowl, East-West and coaches All-American games . . . and also attracting the attention of then-coach Norm Van Brocklin (also from Oregon).

**PERSONAL:** Born in San Jose, Calif., and lives in Santa Cruz, Calif., in the off-season. Bob and his wife, Suzanne, have one child.

#### BOB BERRY CAREER STATISTICS

| YR    | PASSING |      |      |      |     | LG | TD | Int | RUSHING |     |     |    |    |
|-------|---------|------|------|------|-----|----|----|-----|---------|-----|-----|----|----|
|       | Att     | Comp | Yds  | Pct  |     |    |    |     | Att     | Yds | Avg | LG | TD |
| 1965  | 2       | 0    | 0    | 0    |     | 0  | 0  | 0   | —       | —   | —   | —  | —  |
| 1966  | 37      | 13   | 215  | 35.1 | 52t | 1  | 5  |     | 3       | 12  | 4.0 | 5  | 0  |
| 1967  | 7       | 3    | 43   | 42.9 | 21  | 0  | 0  |     | —       | —   | —   | —  | —  |
| *1968 | 153     | 81   | 1433 | 52.9 | 66  | 7  | 13 |     | 26      | 139 | 5.3 | 45 | 2  |
| *1969 | 124     | 71   | 1087 | 57.3 | 88t | 10 | 2  |     | 20      | 68  | 3.4 | 30 | 0  |
| *1970 | 269     | 156  | 1806 | 58.0 | 51t | 16 | 13 |     | 13      | 60  | 4.6 | 16 | 0  |
| *1971 | 226     | 136  | 2005 | 60.2 | 84  | 11 | 16 |     | 19      | 31  | 1.6 | 9  | 0  |
| *1972 | 277     | 154  | 2158 | 55.6 | 57t | 13 | 12 |     | 24      | 86  | 3.6 | 16 | 2  |

|               |             |            |             |             |            |           |           |            |            |            |           |          |
|---------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|
| 1973          | 24          | 10         | 121         | 41.6        | 30         | 1         | 2         | 2          | 5          | 2.5        | 5         | 0        |
| 1974          | 48          | 34         | 305         | 70.8        | 21         | 5         | 1         | 1          | 8          | 8.0        | 8         | 0        |
| 1975          | 6           | 3          | 24          | 50.0        | 17         | 0         | 0         | 1          | 0          | —          | —         | —        |
| 1976          | 0           | 0          | 0           | —           | —          | 0         | 0         | 0          | 0          | —          | —         | 0        |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>1173</b> | <b>661</b> | <b>9197</b> | <b>56.4</b> | <b>881</b> | <b>64</b> | <b>64</b> | <b>109</b> | <b>409</b> | <b>3.8</b> | <b>45</b> | <b>4</b> |

\*With Atlanta

GAMES: 1965 (2), 1966 (3), 1967 (2), 1968 (10), 1969 (7), 1970 (12), 1971 (11), 1972 (14), 1973 (6), 1974 (9), 1975 (1), 1976 (0)

**BLAHAK, JOE**  
**Defensive Back**

**Nebraska**  
**Ht: 5-10, Wt: 188**

**Born: 8-9-50**  
**5th year (P-77)**



**PRO:** Acquired by the Vikings via waivers from New England after the 1976 season. Was a backup free safety with the Patriots, who got him on waivers from Tampa Bay. Selected by Tampa Bay from the Vikings in the 1976 expansion draft and started one game for the Buccaneers. Drafted by Houston on the eighth round in 1973. Intercepted two passes for the Oilers in 1973. Acquired by the Vikings on waivers in 1974. Blocked a punt for a safety to provide the winning points for the Vikings in a 1975 win over the Jets. Also

intercepted one pass in 1975.

**COLLEGE:** Won three letters at Nebraska, twice being named All-Big Eight. Set school records for most interceptions in a game (3) and most consecutive games started (39). College major was physical education.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Columbus, Nebraska.

#### JOE BLAHAK CAREER STATISTICS INTERCEPTIONS

| Yr.           | No       | Yds        | Avg         | TD       |
|---------------|----------|------------|-------------|----------|
| *1973         | 2        | 120        | 60.0        | 0        |
| 1974          | 0        | 0          | 0           | 0        |
| 1975          | 1        | 16         | 16.0        | 0        |
| #1976         | 0        | 0          | 0           | 0        |
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>136</b> | <b>45.3</b> | <b>0</b> |

\*With Houston

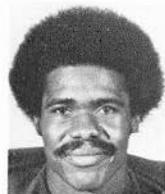
#With Tampa Bay and New England

GAMES: 1973 (12), 1974 (7), 1975 (9), 1976 (4).

**BLAIR, MATT**  
**Linebacker**

**Iowa State**  
**Ht: 6-5, Wt: 230**

**Born: 9-20-50**  
**4th Year (D2-74)**



**PRO:** Starter 13 of 14 regular-season games in 1976 and all three post-season games. Big plays were his specialty last year — 2 interceptions, 5 recovered fumbles, 2 blocked conversions, 1 blocked punt. As a linebacker (not counting kicking teams play) had 99 tackles. Has played both left and right-side linebacker . . . but was a starter in 1976 on the left.

**COLLEGE:** Started at Northeastern Oklahoma Junior College and transferred to Iowa State. Was captain as a senior and was named defensive MVP in the 1971 Sun Bowl. Has a degree in education and credits toward his masters.

**PERSONAL:** Born in Honolulu, Hawaii, and lived in Lakeville, Minn. in the off-season. Hobby is photography . . . an avocation he hopes to turn into future employment. He is single.

### MATT BLAIR CAREER STATISTICS

| Yr            | INTERCEPTIONS |           |             |  | LG        | TD       |
|---------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|--|-----------|----------|
|               | No            | Yds       | Avg         |  |           |          |
| 1974          | 1             | -3        | -3          |  | -3        | 0        |
| 1975          | 1             | 18        | 18.0        |  | 18        | 0        |
| 1976          | 2             | 25        | 12.5        |  | 20        | 0        |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>4</b>      | <b>40</b> | <b>10.0</b> |  | <b>20</b> | <b>0</b> |

GAMES: 1974 (14), 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

**BRADLEY, BILL**  
Safety

**Texas**  
**Ht: 5-11, Wt: 190**

**Born: 1-24-47**  
**(T-77)**



**PRO:** Acquired by the Vikings from Philadelphia for an undisclosed 1978 draft choice. Was the Eagles' all-time leading pass interceptor with 34 in eight seasons. Had two interceptions for 63 yards in 1976 — including a 52-yarder against the Vikings. Led the NFL in interceptions in 1971 and 1972 and was all-pro in each season. Played in the Pro Bowl in 1971, 1972 and 1973. Top season was 11 interceptions for 248 yards in 1971. Also returned nine punts for a 7.1 yard average last year. Was defensive captain of the Eagles. Drafted by the Eagles on the third round in 1969.

**COLLEGE:** Three-year letterman as a quarterback, wide receiver and defensive back at Texas. Earned All-American honors. College major was physical education.

**PERSONAL** Native of Palestine, Texas. Married, wife's name is Patti.

### BILL BRADLEY CAREER STATISTICS

| Yr            | INTERCEPTIONS |            |             |          | PUNT RETURNS |            |            |          |
|---------------|---------------|------------|-------------|----------|--------------|------------|------------|----------|
|               | No            | Yds        | Avg         | TD       | No           | Yds        | Avg        | TD       |
| 1969          | 1             | 56         | 56.0        | 1        | 28           | 161        | 6.5        | 0        |
| 1970          | 0             | 0          | 0           | 0        | 0            | 0          | 0          | 0        |
| 1971          | 11            | 248        | 22.5        | 0        | 18           | 118        | 6.6        | 0        |
| 1972          | 9             | 73         | 8.1         | 0        | 22           | 155        | 7.0        | 0        |
| 1973          | 4             | 21         | 5.3         | 0        | 8            | 106        | 13.3       | 0        |
| 1974          | 2             | 19         | 9.5         | 0        | 22           | 248        | 11.3       | 0        |
| 1975          | 5             | 56         | 11.2        | 0        | 4            | 4          | 1.0        | 0        |
| 1976          | 2             | 63         | 31.5        | 0        | 9            | 64         | 7.1        | 0        |
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>34</b>     | <b>536</b> | <b>15.8</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>111</b>   | <b>856</b> | <b>7.7</b> | <b>0</b> |

Also has punted 213 times for a 39.0 career average.

GAMES: 1969 (14), 1970 (12), 1971 (14), 1972 (14), 1973 (14), 1974 (14), 1975 (14), 1976 (14).

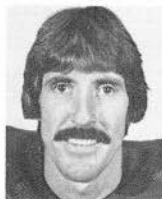
### POST SEASON DATES AND SITES

1978 Super Bowl - January 15, New Orleans (Superdome)  
1978 Pro Bowl - January 23, Tampa Bay

**BRYANT, BOBBY**  
Cornerback

**South Carolina**  
Ht: 6-0, Wt: 175

**Born: 1-24-44**  
**10th Year (D7-67)**



**PRO:** Suffered a broken arm in training camp and lost his starting job to Nate Allen until Allen hurt his ankle against Green Bay late in November. Started the last three regular-season games and three in the post-season . . . intercepting five passes and blocking a conversion. Intercepted two passes and returned a blocked field goal 90 yards for a TD in NFC title game against Los Angeles. Three of his five interceptions were in the playoffs. Even though he was a part-time starter (and a fill-in at free safety under some circumstances) he had 40 tackles.

**COLLEGE:** All-Conference in football (as a cornerback) and baseball (left-handed pitcher) at South Carolina. Set school records for kick returns in football and strikeouts in baseball. Has a degree in business management.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Macon, Ga., and lives in Burnsville, Minn. Married, wife's name is Stephanie. Has one daughter.

### BOBBY BRYANT CAREER STATISTICS

| Yr            | K.O. RET  |            |             |           |          |  | PUNT RET  |            |            |           |          |  | INTERCEPTIONS |            |             |           |          |  |
|---------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-----------|----------|--|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|--|---------------|------------|-------------|-----------|----------|--|
|               | No        | Yds        | Avg         | LG        | TD       |  | No        | Yds        | Avg        | LG        | TD       |  | No            | Yds        | Avg         | LG        | TD       |  |
| 1968          | 18        | 383        | 21.2        | 35        | 0        |  | 10        | 49         | 4.9        | 15        | 0        |  | 2             | 60         | 30.0        | 51        | 1        |  |
| 1969          | —         | —          | —           | —         | —        |  | 2         | 9          | 4.5        | 9         | 0        |  | 8             | 97         | 12.1        | 56        | 0        |  |
| 1970          | —         | —          | —           | —         | —        |  | —         | —          | —          | —         | —        |  | 3             | 40         | 13.3        | 39        | 1        |  |
| 1971          | 1         | 23         | 23.0        | 23        | 0        |  | 2         | 26         | 13.0       | 17        | 0        |  | 3             | 51         | 17.0        | 19        | 0        |  |
| 1972          | 2         | 41         | 20.5        | 22        | 0        |  | 10        | 48         | 4.8        | 10        | 0        |  | 4             | 82         | 20.5        | 34        | 0        |  |
| 1973          | —         | —          | —           | —         | —        |  | 25        | 140        | 5.6        | 16        | 0        |  | 7             | 105        | 15.0        | 46        | 1        |  |
| 1974          | —         | —          | —           | —         | —        |  | —         | —          | —          | —         | —        |  | —             | —          | —           | —         | —        |  |
| 1975          | —         | —          | —           | —         | —        |  | 19        | 125        | 6.6        | 16        | 0        |  | 6             | 111        | 16.5        | 41        | 0        |  |
| 1976          | —         | —          | —           | —         | —        |  | —         | —          | —          | —         | —        |  | 2             | 30         | 15.0        | 25        | 0        |  |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>21</b> | <b>447</b> | <b>21.3</b> | <b>35</b> | <b>0</b> |  | <b>68</b> | <b>397</b> | <b>5.8</b> | <b>17</b> | <b>0</b> |  | <b>35</b>     | <b>576</b> | <b>16.5</b> | <b>56</b> | <b>3</b> |  |

GAMES: 1968 (14), 1969 (10), 1970 (11), 1971 (13), 1972 (14), 1973 (14), 1974 (1), 1975 (14), 1976 (12)

**BUETOW, BART**  
Tackle

**Minnesota**  
Ht: 6-5½, Wt: 250

**Born: 11-28-50**  
**4th Year (FA-76)**



**PRO:** Signed by the Vikings as a free agent midway through the 1976 season, after Scott Anderson was put on the injured reserve list. Was active for 10 games, including post-season, and played in three of them. Drafted on the third round by the Vikings in 1972, was cut and was signed by the New York Giants. Played two seasons with Toronto of the CFL before being signed for 1976 by Denver. Was cut and later signed by the Vikings.

**COLLEGE:** Played football and hockey at Minnesota, teaming in hockey with his twin brother, Brad. Played tight end until his senior year, when he was shifted to tackle. Majored in math and architecture.

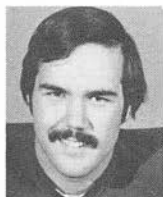
**PERSONAL:** Native of Mounds View, Minn. and lives in St. Paul. Is working on his masters degree in math. Married, wife's name is Constance.

GAMES: 1973 (7), 1974 (6), 1975 (9), 1976 (2)

**CLABO, NEIL**  
Punter

**Tennessee**  
Ht: 6-0, Wt: 200

**Born: 11-18-52**  
**3rd Year (D10-75)**



**PRO:** After a fast start (42-yard average in six games), he hit a slump at mid-season that dropped his average for the season below 40 yards. Best day was when he kicked six times for a 46-yard average in the divisional playoff game against Washington. Had five kicks that were downed and went out of bounds inside the 20 but 10 more caromed into the end zone. Didn't have to punt at all against Detroit — a first for a Viking punter. Didn't have a punt blocked all season.

**COLLEGE:** Averaged 43.1 yards per punt in his senior season, ranking fourth in the NCAA. Was named All-Southeast Conference that year. Played safety as a freshman and receiver as a sophomore, in addition to his punting duties. Has a degree in education.

**PERSONAL:** Born in Miami Beach, Fla., and lives in Concord, Tenn. Married, wife's name is Teena.

#### NEIL CLABO CAREER STATISTICS

##### PUNTING

| Yr            | No         | Yds         | Avg         | LG        | Blk      | TB | in 20 |
|---------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|----------|----|-------|
| 1975          | 73         | 2997        | 41.1        | 62        | 2        |    |       |
| 1976          | 69         | 2678        | 38.8        | 55        | 0        | 10 | 5     |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>142</b> | <b>5675</b> | <b>40.0</b> | <b>62</b> | <b>2</b> |    |       |

GAMES: 1975 (14), 1976 (13)

**COX, FRED**  
Kicker

**Pittsburgh**  
Ht: 6-0, Wt: 200

**Born: 12-11-38**  
**15th Year (FA-63)**



**PRO:** Became only the third player in NFL history to surpass 1,300 points, with 1,316. Trails second-place Lou Groza (who beat Cox out of a job at Cleveland) by 33 points on the all-time scoring list. (George Blanda is first.) Second to Blanda in career field goals with 274 and in field goal attempts with 437. Made 15 of 20 field goals inside the 40 in 1976. Led the Vikings in scoring in 1976 with 89 points. Led the NFL in scoring in 1969 and 1970. Cleveland traded Cox, Tom Franckhauser, Charley Ferguson and Errol Linden to the Vikings in 1962 for a sixth-round draft choice. Cox was cut that year (Jim Christopherson was the kicker) but he returned to make the squad in 1963 as a free agent. Has played in 196 straight games.

**COLLEGE:** Played running back at Pittsburgh in addition to being the kicker and punter (he was the Viking punter in 1963). Has a degree in education and once taught in Monongahela, Pa.

**PERSONAL:** Is a Doctor of Chiropractic and operates a clinic in Buffalo, Minn., about 30 miles west of Minneapolis. Is a native of Monongahela and resides on a farm in Delano, Minn., with his wife, Elaine and four children. Has a pilot's license.



## FRED COX CAREER STATISTICS

| Yr            | FG             | FG Pct      | PAT            | TP          |
|---------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| 1963          | 12/24          | .500        | 39/39          | 75          |
| 1964          | 21/33          | .636        | 40/42          | 103         |
| 1965          | 23/35          | .657        | 44/44          | 113         |
| 1966          | 18/33          | .545        | 34/34          | 88          |
| 1967          | 17/33          | .515        | 26/26          | 77          |
| 1968          | 19/29          | .655        | 31/32          | 88          |
| 1969          | 26/37          | .702        | 43/43          | *121        |
| 1970          | 30/45          | .667        | 35/35          | *125        |
| 1971          | 22/33          | .667        | 25/25          | 91          |
| 1972          | 21/33          | .636        | 34/34          | 97          |
| 1973          | 21/34          | .618        | 33/33          | 96          |
| 1974          | 12/20          | .600        | 32/39          | 68          |
| 1975          | 13/17          | .764        | 46/48          | 85          |
| 1976          | 19/31          | .613        | 32/36          | 89          |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>274/437</b> | <b>.627</b> | <b>494/510</b> | <b>1316</b> |

GAMES: 1963 (14), 1964 (14), 1965 (14), 1966 (14), 1967 (14), 1968 (14), 1969 (14), 1970 (14), 1971 (14), 1972 (14), 1973 (14), 1974 (14), 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

\*Led NFL in Scoring

**CRAIG, STEVE**  
Tight End

**Northwestern**  
Ht: 6-3, Wt: 230

**Born: 3-13-51**  
**4th Year (D3-74)**



**PRO:** Played in every game in 1976, as a backup tight end and blocker on short-yardage situations and on special teams. Blocked a punt against the Giants that Nate Allen grabbed in midair and returned for a touchdown.

**COLLEGE:** Ranked third in career receptions at Northwestern. Was teammate of San Francisco's Jim Lash at Garfield High School in Akron, Ohio, at Northwestern and with the Vikings. Has a degree in radio-TV-editorial journalism.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Akron and lived in Chicago in the off-season. He is single.

## STEVE CRAIG CAREER STATISTICS

| RECEIVING     |           |            |            |           |          |
|---------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|
| Yr            | No        | Yds        | Avg        | LG        | TD       |
| 1974          | 4         | 26         | 6.5        | 10t       | 1        |
| 1975          | 6         | 68         | 11.3       | 17        | 0        |
| 1976          | 3         | 33         | 11.0       | 17        | 0        |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>13</b> | <b>127</b> | <b>9.8</b> | <b>17</b> | <b>1</b> |

GAMES: 1974 (14), 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

## ROSTER DESIGNATIONS

All rookies in NFL rosters will carry the designation "R" under the heading of NFL experience. Rookies are players who have never attended an NFL training camp previously. Players with the "1" (one) designation are first-year players who have been at a training camp previously but did not play in three regular-season games and thus did not qualify as a second year player. Only players with the "R" designation are eligible for rookie honors.

**DUMLER, DOUG**  
Center

**Nebraska**  
Ht: 6-3, Wt: 242

**Born: 12-15-50**  
**5th Year (T-75)**



**PRO:** Did virtually all the snapping for punts and kicks in 1976, giving regular center Mick Tingelhoff a rest from those duties. Didn't miss a game last season. Acquired from New England prior to last season for an eighth-round pick in 1976 and a sixth-round selection in 1977.

**COLLEGE:** Started out at Nebraska as a tight end, played offensive tackle briefly and then was shifted to center, where he lettered for three years (as did Tingelhoff). Two-time Academic Big Eight. Has a degree in business administration.

**PERSONAL:** Born in Cambridge, Neb., and lived in Sharon, Mass., in the off-season. Is attending law school . . . which he also did at night while with Vikings. Married, wife's name is Cathy. Hobby is restoring classic cars.

**GAMES:** 1973 (14), 1974 (14), 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

**ELLER, CARL**  
Defensive End

**Minnesota**  
Ht: 6-6, Wt: 245

**Born: 2-25-42**  
**14th Year (D1-64)**



**PRO:** Has been named All-Pro five times and has played in six Pro Bowl games. In 1976 Eller had 15 quarterback sacks, caused three fumbles and made 79 unassisted tackles. Missed the 1976 regular-season opener with a broken thumb. After missing the opener, started in the rest of the games. Blocked a field goal against Pittsburgh. One of his better games was against the Rams in the NFC title game when he had two sacks and eight unassisted tackles.

**COLLEGE:** Was a two-way starter at Minnesota, at offensive and defensive tackle and was named All-American. Was a three-year regular with the Gophers.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Winston-Salem, N.C., and lives in Minneapolis. Is very active in community affairs, especially the M.S. Right to Read Program. Had a \$1,000 scholarship awarded in his name in the Dodge Man of the Year program. He is single.

**GAMES:** 1964 (14), 1965 (14), 1966 (14), 1967 (14), 1968 (14), 1969 (14), 1970 (14), 1971 (14), 1972 (14), 1973 (14), 1974 (14), 1975 (14), 1976 (13)

**FOREMAN, CHUCK**  
Running Back

**Miami (Fla.)**  
Ht: 6-2, Wt: 210

**Born: 10-26-50**  
**5th Year (D1-73)**



**PRO:** Gained over 1,000 yards rushing for the second straight year, setting a club record of 1,155 yards. Also set a single-game rushing record with 200 yards against Philadelphia. Has rushed for 100 yards or better 11 times in the regular-season . . . a club mark. Also rushed for over 100 yards in the divisional playoff and NFC championship games. Caught 55 passes, his third consecutive year over 50. Ranked first in the NFC in touchdowns with 14 (tying for the NFL lead), was second in receiving and fourth in rushing.

**COLLEGE:** Caught 56 passes for 732 yards and rushed for 1,631 yards in his college career — playing wide receiver and running back. Was offensive MVP in the Senior Bowl and North-South games . . . as a running back.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Frederick, Md., and lives in Miami in the off-season. He is single.

### CHUCK FOREMAN CAREER STATISTICS

| Yr            | RUSHING    |             |            |            |           | No         | RECEIVING   |             |            |           |  |
|---------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-----------|--|
|               | Att        | Yds         | Avg        | LG         | TD        |            | Yds         | Avg         | LG         | TD        |  |
| 1973          | 182        | 801         | 4.4        | 50t        | 4         | 37         | 362         | 9.8         | 46         | 2         |  |
| 1974          | 199        | 777         | 3.9        | 32         | 9         | 53         | 586         | 11.1        | 66t        | 6         |  |
| 1975          | 280        | 1070        | 3.8        | 31t        | 13        | 73         | 691         | 9.5         | 33         | 9         |  |
| 1976          | 278        | 1155        | 4.2        | 46         | 13        | 55         | 567         | 10.3        | 41t        | 1         |  |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>939</b> | <b>3803</b> | <b>4.1</b> | <b>50t</b> | <b>39</b> | <b>218</b> | <b>2206</b> | <b>10.1</b> | <b>66t</b> | <b>18</b> |  |

GAMES: 1973 (12), 1974 (13), 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

### GOODRUM, CHARLES Tackle

Florida A & M  
Ht: 6-3, Wt: 256

Born: 1-11-50  
5th Year (D9-72)



**PRO:** Became a full-time regular at left guard in 1976, starting every game — regular season and post-season. Started out with Vikings as a guard, was shifted to tackle (where he was a part-time starter in 1975) and then back to guard . . . earning a starting spot in the pre-season. Started alongside Steve Riley, with whom he was competing for a starting position in 1975.

**COLLEGE:** Four-year letterwinner at Florida A & M. Twice won all-conference honors as a tackle and was named All-American as a guard. Has a degree in sociology.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Deland, Fla., and lives in Lakeland, Fla., in the off-season, working as a real estate salesman. He and his wife, Paula, have one daughter.

GAMES: 1973 (10), 1974 (12), 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

### GRIM, BOB Wide Receiver

Oregon State  
Ht: 6-0, Wt: 188

Born: 5-8-45  
11th Year (FA-76)



**PRO:** Signed by Vikings as a free agent after Jim Lash was traded to San Francisco. Played in 11 regular-season and post-season games. Best game was 4 catches for 33 yards in the second Green Bay game. Originally drafted by the Vikings on the second round in 1967 (on a choice acquired in the Fran Tarkenton deal). Caught 84 passes in five years with the Vikings — including his career best of 45 in 1971. Went to the New York Giants as part of the second Tarkenton trade and spent three years with the Giants before being traded to the Chicago Bears, where he played in 1975. Was cut in 1976 and became a free agent.

**COLLEGE:** Played quarterback, wide receiver and running back at Oregon State, winning three letters. Was named MVP in the 1967 Senior Bowl. Majored in health and physical education.

**PERSONAL:** Born in Oakland, Calif., and lives in Sisters, Ore., in the off-season. Sells real estate. Bob and his wife, Kathy, have one daughter.

# BOB GRIM STATISTICS

| Yr            | RUSHING  |            |             |          | PASS RECEIVING |             |             |           |
|---------------|----------|------------|-------------|----------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|
|               | Att      | Yds        | Avg         | TD       | PC             | Yds         | Avg         | TD        |
| 1967          | 1        | 20         | 20.0        | 0        | 6              | 108         | 18.0        | 1         |
| 1968          | —        | —          | —           | —        | —              | —           | —           | —         |
| 1969          | —        | —          | —           | —        | 10             | 155         | 15.5        | 1         |
| 1970          | —        | —          | —           | —        | 23             | 287         | 12.5        | 0         |
| 1971          | 6        | 127        | 21.1        | 0        | 45             | 691         | 15.4        | 7         |
| *1972         | —        | —          | —           | —        | 5              | 67          | 13.4        | 1         |
| *1973         | 1        | -10        | -10.0       | 0        | 37             | 593         | 16.0        | 2         |
| *1974         | —        | —          | —           | —        | 28             | 466         | 16.6        | 2         |
| †1975         | —        | —          | —           | —        | 28             | 374         | 13.4        | 2         |
| 1976          | —        | —          | —           | —        | 9              | 108         | 12.0        | 0         |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>8</b> | <b>137</b> | <b>17.1</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>191</b>     | <b>2849</b> | <b>14.9</b> | <b>16</b> |

\*With New York Giants

†With Chicago

**Additional statistics:** Grim has returned 48 punts for 213 yards (4.4 average) and no touchdowns in his career; also, 25 kickoffs for 545 yards (21.8 average) and no touchdowns. He last returned punts in 1972 and kickoffs in 1971.

Games: 1967 (13), 1968 (1), 1969 (14), 1970 (14), 1971 (14), 1972 (13), 1973 (14), 1974 (14), 1975 (14), 1976 (8)

**GROCE, RON**  
Running Back

**Macalester**  
Ht: 6-2, Wt: 211

**Born: 7-1-54**  
**2nd Year (FA-76)**



**PRO:** Was drafted by the Vikings on the 15th round in 1976, was cut prior to the start of the regular season and then was signed as a free agent when Mark Kellar was injured. Saw action in six games — regular season and post-season. Averaged six yards a carry in his only three attempts — all against Miami.

**COLLEGE:** Rushed for 933 yards and scored five touchdowns as a senior. Was named team's MVP that year. Four-year letterman in football and also played basketball and ran track (100, 220, hurdles)

Economics an history major.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Minneapolis and lived there in the off-season. Was named Minneapolis Conference Athlete of the Year while at Central High School. He is single.

## RON GROCE CAREER STATISTICS

| Yr   | RUSHING |     |     |    |    | RECEIVING |     |     |    |    |
|------|---------|-----|-----|----|----|-----------|-----|-----|----|----|
|      | Att     | Yds | Avg | LG | TD | No        | Yds | Avg | LG | TD |
| 1976 | 3       | 18  | 6.0 | 13 | 0  | 0         | 0   | —   | —  | 0  |

GAMES: 1976 (4)

## ETC. DEPT.

- The Minnesota Vikings band is directed by Ralph Mendenhall . . .
- Maintenance of the playing field at Metropolitan Stadium is the responsibility of Dick Ericson . . .
- Halftime and pre-game entertainment at Vikings games is arranged by James "Red" McLeod . . .
- In season, the Vikings practice at Midway Stadium in St. Paul, Minn. . . .
- The Vikings spend the night before each home game at the Holiday Inn-Airport . . .

**HALL, WINDLAN**  
Safety

**Arizona State**  
Ht: 5-11, Wt: 175

**Born: 3-11-50**  
**6th Year (T-76)**



**PRO:** Filled in as the starting left cornerback when Nate Wright was hurt in the pre-season, but basic position is safety. Biggest contribution was on kicking teams, which he captained in 1976. Was acquired from San Francisco in training camp for guard Steve Lawson. Drafted by the 49ers on the fourth round in 1972.

**COLLEGE:** Three-year starter at Arizona State. Was credited with 54 unassisted tackles, 19 pass deflections and 6 interceptions as a senior. College major was mathematics.

**PERSONAL:** Born in Los Angeles and lived in Edina in the off-season. He and his wife, Brenda, have one daughter.

**WINDLAN HALL CAREER STATISTICS**  
**INTERCEPTIONS**

| Yr            | No       | Yds      | Avg        | LG       | TD       |
|---------------|----------|----------|------------|----------|----------|
| *1972         | 1        | 0        | 0.0        | 0        | 0        |
| *1973         | 1        | 0        | 0.0        | 0        | 0        |
| *1974         | 0        | 0        | 0.0        | 0        | 0        |
| *1975         | 0        | 0        | 0.0        | 0        | 0        |
| 1976          | 0        | 0        | 0.0        | 0        | 0        |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> |

\*With San Francisco

GAMES: 1972 (14), 1973 (14), 1974 (13), 1975 (13), 1976 (14)

**HAMILTON, WES**  
Guard

**Tulsa**  
Ht: 6-3, Wt: 255

**Born: 4-24-53**  
**2nd Year (D3-76)**



**PRO:** Started one game in 1976 when Ed White was injured and saw action in 13 regular-season and three post-season games. Was used frequently in short-yardage situations.

**COLLEGE:** Was named best-blocking lineman at Tulsa in 1974 and 1975 . . . and was named All-Missouri Valley Conference both seasons. Three-year letterman. Majored in physical education.

**PERSONAL:** Born in Texas City, Tex., but attended Homewood-Flossmoor High School in Homewood, Ill., where he was the Chicago district heavyweight wrestling champion. Lived in Country Club Hills, Ill., in the off-season. Married, wife's name is Linda.

GAMES: 1976 (13)

**HILGENBERG, WALLY**  
Linebacker

**Iowa**  
Ht: 6-3, Wt: 225

**Born: 9-19-42**  
**14th Year (P-68)**



**PRO:** Started every game in 1976 at right linebacker . . . a position he has held since Vikings acquired him on waivers from Pittsburgh in 1968. Had two sacks on blitzes in 1976 — including a critical one in the fourth quarter of the NFC championship game, pushing the Rams out of field goal range and forcing a punt. Had 83 unassisted tackles in 1976, caused a fumble and recovered one. Was drafted on the fourth round by Detroit in 1964, traded to Pittsburgh in 1968 and then was purchased by the Vikings.

**COLLEGE:** Was co-captain at Iowa with Vikings teammate Paul Krause . . . and present Vikings offensive coach Jerry Burns was the head coach. Played guard and linebacker, earning All-American honors. Has a degree in psychology.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Wilton Junction, Iowa, and lives in Prior Lake, Minn. Wally and his wife, Mary, have three children.

### WALLY HILGENBERG CAREER STATISTICS

| Yr     | INTERCEPTIONS |     |      |    |   | TD |
|--------|---------------|-----|------|----|---|----|
|        | No            | Yds | Avg  | LG |   |    |
| 1970   | 2             | 33  | 16.5 | 17 | 0 |    |
| 1971   | 2             | 6   | 6.0  | 6  | 0 |    |
| 1972   | 1             | 17  | 17.0 | 17 | 1 |    |
| 1973   | 1             | 6   | 6.0  | 6  | 0 |    |
| 1974   | 1             | 0   | 0    | 0  | 0 |    |
| 1975   | 1             | 0   | —    | —  | 0 |    |
| 1976   | 0             | 0   | —    | —  | 0 |    |
| Totals | 8             | 62  | 7.8  | 17 | 2 |    |

GAMES: 1964 (14), 1965 (13), 1966 (14), 1968 (14), 1969 (14), 1970 (14), 1971 (14), 1972 (14), 1973 (13), 1974 (13), 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

### JOHNSON, SAMMY

Running Back

North Carolina

Ht: 6-1, Wt: 226

Born: 9-22-52

4th Year (T-76)



**PRO:** Played in eight regular-season and all three playoff games in 1976 after being acquired from San Francisco for wide receiver Jim Lash. Started one game, against Green Bay . . . and rushed 6 times for 43 yards and caught 2 passes for 22. Scored the clinching touchdown in the fourth quarter of the NFC championship game. Was drafted by the 49ers on the fourth round in 1974 and was a backup running back in addition to returning kickoffs.

**COLLEGE:** Gained 1,012 yards rushing in 180 carries (5.6 average) as a senior and scored eight touchdowns. Three-year letterman as a running back and also played some as a linebacker in his sophomore year. Captain as a senior. Also threw the discus in track. Was a high school All-American quarterback at High Point (N.C.)

**PERSONAL:** Native of Burlington, N.C., and lived in High Point in the off-season. He is single.

### SAMMY JOHNSON CAREER STATISTICS

| Yr            | RUSHING    |            |            |          | PASS RECEIVING |            |            |          | KICKOFF RETURNS |            |             |          |
|---------------|------------|------------|------------|----------|----------------|------------|------------|----------|-----------------|------------|-------------|----------|
|               | Att        | Yds        | Avg        | TD       | PC             | Yds        | Avg        | TD       | No              | Yds        | Avg         | TD       |
| *1974         | 44         | 237        | 5.4        | 2        | 11             | 106        | 9.6        | 0        | 2               | 31         | 15.5        | 0        |
| *1975         | 55         | 185        | 3.4        | 3        | 23             | 177        | 7.7        | 0        | 17              | 400        | 23.5        | 0        |
| †1976         | 41         | 150        | 3.7        | 2        | 7              | 74         | 10.6       | 0        | 2               | 35         | 17.5        | 0        |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>140</b> | <b>572</b> | <b>4.1</b> | <b>7</b> | <b>41</b>      | <b>357</b> | <b>8.7</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>21</b>       | <b>466</b> | <b>22.2</b> | <b>0</b> |

\*With San Francisco

†Joined Vikings from S.F. after sixth game.

GAMES: 1974 (14), 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

**KELLAR, MARK**  
Running Back

**Northern Illinois**  
Ht: 6-0, Wt: 225

**Born: 7-17-52**  
**2nd Year (D6-74)**



**PRO:** Was drafted by the Vikings on the sixth round in 1974 but chose to play in the WFL, playing with the Chicago Wind/Fire in 1974 and 1975. Was leading the league in touchdowns in 1974 before he broke his leg. Gained 25 yards rushing and caught two passes in three regular-season games for the Vikings before suffering a cracked bone in his ankle and winding up on the injured reserve list. In the pre-season, he was second on the club in rushing (31 carries, 103 yards, 2 TD's) and caught 10 passes for 52 yards.

**COLLEGE:** Three-year letterman at Northern Illinois. Rushed for 3,750 yards and scored 32 touchdowns in his career. Has a degree in business administration.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Chicago, Ill., and lives in DeKalb, Ill., in the off-season. Married, wife's name is Peggy.

**GAMES:** 1976 (3)

**KRAUSE, PAUL**  
Free Safety

**IOWA**  
Ht: 6-3, Wt: 205

**Born: 2-19-42**  
**14th Year (T-68)**



**PRO:** Krause's two interceptions in 1976 gave him a career total of 76, three behind leader Emlen Tunnell on the all-time list. Has averaged nearly six interceptions a year in his career — with the high points being 12 as a rookie at Washington in 1964 and 10 (a Viking record) with Minnesota in 1975. Made 53 tackles in 1976. Redskins traded Krause to the Vikings for Marlin McKeever and a seventh round draft choice in 1968. He was a second-round draft choice of the Redskins in 1964. He has played in eight Pro Bowls.

**COLLEGE:** Played wide receiver and defensive back at Iowa, making the All-Big Ten team. Was co-captain along with Viking teammate Wally Hilgenberg on Coach Jerry Burns's 1963 team. Also lettered in baseball and considered a pro career until he injured his shoulder. Majored in physical education.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Flint, Mich., and resides in Lakeville, Minn. Business is land and cattle. Paul and his wife, Pam, have three children.

**PAUL KRAUSE CAREER STATISTICS**  
**INTERCEPTIONS**

| Yr            | No        | Yds         | Avg         | LG        | TD       |
|---------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-----------|----------|
| *1964         | 12        | 140         | 11.7        |           | 1        |
| *1965         | 6         | 118         | 19.7        |           | 0        |
| *1966         | 2         | 0           | —           |           | 0        |
| *1967         | 8         | 75          | 9.4         |           | 0        |
| 1968          | 7         | 82          | 11.7        | 29        | 0        |
| 1969          | 5         | 82          | 16.4        | 77t       | 1        |
| 1970          | 6         | 90          | 15.0        | 40        | 0        |
| 1971          | 6         | 112         | 18.6        | 31        | 0        |
| 1972          | 6         | 109         | 18.1        | 35        | 1        |
| 1973          | 4         | 28          | 7.0         | 24        | 0        |
| 1974          | 2         | 53          | 26.5        | 45        | 0        |
| 1975          | 10        | 201         | 20.1        | 81        | 0        |
| 1976          | 2         | 21          | 10.1        | 19        | 0        |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>76</b> | <b>1111</b> | <b>14.6</b> | <b>81</b> | <b>3</b> |

\*With Washington

**GAMES:** 1964 (14), 1965 (14), 1966 (13), 1967 (13), 1968 (14), 1969 (14), 1970 (14), 1971 (14), 1972 (14), 1973 (14), 1974 (11), 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

**LEE, BOB**  
Quarterback

**Pacific**  
Ht: 6-2, Wt: 195

**Born: 8-7-45**  
9th Year (FA-75)



**PRO:** Was the No. 2 man to Fran Tarkenton in 1976, starting against the Steelers when Tarkenton was hurt and appearing in five other games — including the Super Bowl. Completed 7 of 9 passes against Oakland for 81 yards and a touchdown. Was drafted by the Vikings on the 16th round in 1969 and was a part-time starter until being traded (along with Lonnie Warwick) to Atlanta in 1973 for Bob Berry and a No. 1 draft choice. His biggest year was with the Falcons in 1973. Became a free agent after the 1974 season and was

signed by the Vikings.

**COLLEGE:** Set five school passing and punting records at Pacific. Started his career at Arizona State but transferred to City College of San Francisco, where he played in the same backfield with O.J. Simpson. Has a bachelor of science and a master's degree in education from Pacific.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Columbus, Ohio, and lives in San Francisco in the off-season. Works in the real estate and furniture design business. Married, wife's name is Janice.

#### BOB LEE CAREER STATISTICS

| Yr            | PASSING    |            |             |             |           |           |           | RUSHING   |            |            |           |          |
|---------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|
|               | Att        | Comp       | Yds         | Pct         | LG        | TD        | Int       | Att       | Yds        | Avg        | LG        | TD       |
| 1969          | 11         | 7          | 79          | 63.6        | 30        | 1         | 0         | 3         | 9          | 3.0        | 7         | 0        |
| 1970          | 79         | 40         | 610         | 50.6        | 52        | 5         | 5         | 10        | 20         | 2.0        | 10        | 1        |
| 1971          | 90         | 45         | 598         | 50.0        | 51        | 2         | 4         | 11        | 14         | 1.3        | 1         | 4t       |
| 1972          | 6          | 3          | 75          | 50.0        | 63        | 1         | 0         | 0         | 0          | 0.0        | 0         | 0        |
| *1973         | 230        | 120        | 1786        | 52.2        | 57        | 10        | 8         | 29        | 67         | 2.3        | 11        | 0        |
| *1974         | 172        | 78         | 852         | 45.3        | 52        | 3         | 14        | 19        | 99         | 5.2        | 17        | 1        |
| 1975          | 14         | 5          | 103         | 35.7        | 33t       | 2         | 1         | 1         | 0          | 0.0        | 0         | 0        |
| 1976          | 30         | 15         | 156         | 50.0        | 21        | 0         | 2         | 2         | 2          | 1.0        | 1         | 0        |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>632</b> | <b>313</b> | <b>4259</b> | <b>49.5</b> | <b>63</b> | <b>24</b> | <b>34</b> | <b>75</b> | <b>211</b> | <b>2.8</b> | <b>17</b> | <b>6</b> |

\*With Atlanta

GAMES: 1969 (14), 1970 (6), 1971 (14), 1972 (2), 1973 (12), 1974 (9), 1975 (4), 1976 (4)

**MARSHALL, JIM**  
Defensive End

**Ohio State**  
Ht: 6-4, Wt: 240

**Born: 12-30-37**  
18th Year (T-61)



**PRO:** Set two NFL records in 1976 — most consecutive games played (236) and most games played with one team (224). Has started every regular-season and post-season game the Vikings have ever played. Holds the NFL record for most opponents' fumbles recovered (26). Didn't recover a fumble in 1976 but had five quarterback sacks and made 52 tackles. Played one year in Canada before joining the Cleveland Browns in 1960 as their No. 4 draft choice. After playing in 12 consecutive games with the Browns, he was traded to the Vikings (along with Jim Prestel, Dick Grecni, Jamie Caleb, Billy Gault and Paul Dickson) for 2nd and 11th draft choices in 1961. Despite being weakened by encephalitis, Marshall started the Vikings' opener and hasn't missed a start since. He is captain of the Vikings' defensive unit.



**COLLEGE:** All-American and All-Conference at Ohio State. Also lettered twice in track. Majored in psychology, biology and science.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Danville, Ky., and lives in Bloomington, Minn. Jim and his wife, Anita, have two children.

**GAMES:** 1960 (12), 1961 (14), 1962 (14), 1963 (14), 1964 (14), 1965 (14), 1966 (14), 1967 (14), 1968 (14), 1969 (14), 1970 (14), 1971 (14), 1972 (14), 1973 (14), 1974 (14), 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

**MARTIN, AMOS**  
Linebacker

Louisville  
Ht: 6-3, Wt: 228

Born: 1-30-49  
6th Year (D6-72)



**PRO:** Played in every regular-season and post-season game, primarily on special teams. Started at middle linebacker in the NFC championship game, in place of the injured Jeff Siemon. Has been used primarily at the middle spot, but has played the two outside positions as well.

**COLLEGE:** Played linebacker most of his career, although he was shifted to guard one year because of shoulder problems that were corrected by surgery after the season. Was named all-conference in 1971. Has a degree in sociology and physical education.

**PERSONAL:** Name is Anthony . . . Amos is a nickname. He and his wife, Edythe, have three children.

#### AMOS MARTIN CAREER STATISTICS INTERCEPTIONS

| Yr     | No | Yds | Avg  | LG | TD |
|--------|----|-----|------|----|----|
| 1973   | —  | —   | —    | —  | —  |
| 1974   | 3  | 39  | 13.0 | 28 | 0  |
| 1975   | —  | —   | —    | —  | —  |
| 1976   | 0  | 0   | 0    | 0  | 0  |
| Totals | 3  | 39  | 13.0 | 28 | 0  |

**GAMES:** 1972 (5), 1973 (14), 1974 (14), 1975 (5), 1976 (14)

**McCLANAHAN, BRENT**  
Running Back

Arizona State  
Ht: 5-10, Wt: 202

Born: 9-21-50  
5th Year (D5-73)



**PRO:** Started every game but one in 1976, rushing for 382 yards (his best as a pro) and catching 40 passes — ranking 13th in the NFC in that category. Only two running backs (one being Chuck Foreman) in the NFC caught more passes last year. As a starter, got relief from his kickoff return duties of the three previous years. Rushed 20 times for 101 yards against Washington in the divisional playoffs — his first 100-plus effort as a pro.

**COLLEGE:** Won three letters at Arizona State and was named to the all-conference team. College major was agri-business.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Bakersfield, Calif. Returned to school at Tempe, Ariz., in the off-season.

# BRENT McCLANAHAN CAREER STATISTICS

| Yr            | RUSHING    |            |            |           |          | RECEIVING |            |            |           |          | KICKOFF RETURN |             |             |           |          |
|---------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|----------|
|               | Att        | Yds        | Avg        | LG        | TD       | No        | Yds        | Avg        | LG        | TD       | No             | Yds         | Avg         | LG        | TD       |
| 1973          | 17         | 69         | 4.0        | 10        | 0        | —         | —          | —          | —         | —        | 16             | 410         | 25.6        | 45        | 0        |
| 1974          | 9          | 41         | 4.5        | 14        | 1        | 3         | 35         | 11.7       | 17        | 0        | 23             | 549         | 23.9        | 52        | 0        |
| 1975          | 92         | 336        | 3.7        | 15        | 0        | 18        | 141        | 7.8        | 38        | 1        | 17             | 360         | 21.2        | 42        | 0        |
| 1976          | 130        | 382        | 2.9        | 19        | 3        | 40        | 252        | 6.3        | 23        | 1        | —              | —           | —           | —         | —        |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>248</b> | <b>828</b> | <b>3.3</b> | <b>19</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>61</b> | <b>428</b> | <b>7.0</b> | <b>38</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>56</b>      | <b>1319</b> | <b>23.6</b> | <b>52</b> | <b>0</b> |

GAMES: 1973 (13), 1974 (14), 1975 (12), 1976 (13)

**McNEILL, FRED**  
Linebacker

**UCLA**  
Ht: 6-2, Wt: 229

**Born: 5-6-52**  
**4th Year (D1-74)**



**PRO:** Missed only one game last season although he was bothered by a succession of injuries. Started the regular-season opener but was hurt and lost his starting spot to Matt Blair. Played on special teams and caused one fumble covering a punt. Blocked a punt in the Super Bowl.

**COLLEGE:** Was a three-year regular as a defensive end. Had 34 unassisted tackles as a senior. Ran the high hurdles as a freshman. His brother, Rod, went to USC and played against Fred, and was drafted by the New Orleans Saints. College major was economics.

**PERSONAL:** Born in Durham, N.C. and lives in Marina Del Ray, Calif. He is single.

# FRED McNEILL CAREER STATISTICS

| Yr            | INTERCEPTIONS |          |          |          |          |
|---------------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|               | No            | Yds      | Avg      | LG       | TD       |
| 1975          | 1             | 0        | —        | —        | 0        |
| 1976          | 0             | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>1</b>      | <b>0</b> | <b>—</b> | <b>—</b> | <b>0</b> |

GAMES: 1974 (14), 1975 (14), 1976 (13)

**MILLER, ROBERT**  
Running Back

**Kansas**  
Ht: 5-11, Wt: 204

**Born: 1-9-53**  
**3rd Year (D5-75)**



**PRO:** Ranked third in rushing on the squad in 1976. Had his best day in the second game against Green Bay when he carried 13 times for 95 yards and also caught 5 passes for 37 yards. Caught 9 passes for 63 yards in the first game against Green Bay. Also played on special teams and caused a fumble while covering a punt, in addition to making 11 tackles.

**COLLEGE:** Gained 1,384 yards and scored nine rushing touchdowns with over half the yards in his senior year. Major was business.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Houston, Tex., and lived in Lawrence, Kan., in the off-season. Did some work for the fellowship of Christian Athletes. Robert and his wife, Lennie, have one son.

# ROBERT MILLER CAREER STATISTICS

| Yr            | RUSHING   |            |            |           |          | RECEIVING |            |            |           |          | KICKOFF RETURNS |            |             |           |          |
|---------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|-----------------|------------|-------------|-----------|----------|
|               | Att       | Yds        | Avg        | LG        | TD       | No        | Yds        | Avg        | LG        | TD       | No              | Yds        | Avg         | LG        | TD       |
| 1975          | 30        | 93         | 3.1        | 10        | 1        | 4         | 35         | 8.8        | 32        | 0        | 5               | 93         | 18.6        | 25        | 0        |
| 1976          | 67        | 286        | 4.3        | 36        | 0        | 23        | 181        | 7.9        | 19        | 1        | 5               | 77         | 15.4        | 27        | 0        |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>97</b> | <b>379</b> | <b>3.9</b> | <b>36</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>27</b> | <b>216</b> | <b>8.0</b> | <b>32</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>10</b>       | <b>170</b> | <b>17.0</b> | <b>27</b> | <b>0</b> |

GAMES: 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

**MULLANEY, MARK**  
Defensive End

Colorado State  
Ht: 6-5, Wt: 245

Born: 4-3-53  
3rd Year (D1-75)



**PRO:** Started the regular-season opener for Carl Eller but suffered a sprained ankle that limited his effectiveness for a while and caused him to miss two games. Played in all the others — primarily on short-yardage situations and on special teams. As a defensive fill-in, had 3 sacks, 2 recovered fumbles and caused a fumble. Also blocked a conversion.

**COLLEGE:** Played defensive line as a sophomore, then was shifted to offensive tackle, where he played his last two seasons.

Was named team's most outstanding lineman twice. Major was social science.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Denver, Colo., and resides there in the off-season. He is single.

GAMES: 1975 (14), 1976 (12)

**PAGE, ALAN**  
Defensive Tackle

Notre Dame  
Ht: 6-4, Wt: 245

Born: 8-7-45  
11th Year (D1-67)



**PRO:** Had 20 sacks in regular and post-season play, his most as a pro. Had 125 tackles and 23 assists, caused 5 fumbles, recovered 2 fumbles, blocked 2 field goals and 3 conversions. Was named to the Pro Bowl squad for the eighth straight year. Started every game in 1976. Was named most valuable player in the NFL in 1971 . . . the first defensive player to win that award. Has never missed a game in his NFL career — 140 straight.

**COLLEGE:** All-American at Notre Dame, winning three letters.

Has a degree in political science.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Canton, Ohio, and resides in Minneapolis. Has about a year left of law school at the University of Minnesota. Married, wife's name is Diane. Has four children.

GAMES: 1967 (14), 1968 (14), 1969 (14), 1970 (14), 1971 (14), 1972 (14), 1973 (14), 1974 (14), 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

**RASHAD, AHMAD**  
Wide Receiver

**Oregon**  
Ht: 6-2, Wt: 200

**Born: 11-19-49**  
**5th Year (T-76)**



**PRO:** His 53 receptions in 1976 not only were a personal best but set a club record for wide receivers. Biggest day was nine receptions for 93 yards against his former Seattle teammates. Acquired from the Seahawks just before the start of the regular season for a fourth-round draft choice. Moved in as a starter in the fourth regular-season game and started every one thereafter. Was a first-round draft choice of St. Louis in 1972 and was traded to Buffalo for Dennis Shaw after the 1973 season. Played out his option in Buffalo (after missing the 1975 season with a knee injury) and signed with Seattle.

**COLLEGE:** As Bobby Moore (before changing his name for religious reasons), set 14 Oregon records . . . including most touchdowns (36), most yards rushing (2,306) and most receptions (131). All-American as a senior; all-conference three consecutive years. Majored in education.

**PERSONAL:** Born in Portland, Ore., and lives in Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif. Went on NFL-USO tour of military bases for the second time. Ahmad and his wife, Tillie, have one daughter.

**AHMAD RASHAD CAREER STATISTICS**  
**RECEIVING**

| Yr            | No         | Yds         | Avg         | LG        | TD        |
|---------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| *1972         | 29         | 500         | 17.2        | 98        | 3         |
| *1973         | 30         | 409         | 13.6        | —         | 3         |
| †1974         | 36         | 433         | 12.0        | —         | 4         |
| †1975         | 0          | 0           | 0.0         | 0         | 0         |
| 1976          | 53         | 671         | 12.7        | 47        | 3         |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>148</b> | <b>2013</b> | <b>13.6</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>13</b> |

GAMES: 1972 (14), 1973 (13), 1974 (14), 1976 (13)

\*With St. Louis

†With Buffalo

**REESE, STEVE**  
Linebacker

**Louisville**  
Ht: 6-2, Wt: 235

**Born: 1-7-52**  
**4th Year (P-77)**



**PRO:** Acquired by the Vikings on waivers from Tampa Bay after the 1976 season. Started 10 games for Tampa Bay at middle linebacker and played in 12 games. Also can play outside linebacker. Signed as a free agent by the Jets in 1974 and played in 12 games for the Jets in 1974 and 1975. Acquired from the Jets by Tampa Bay in a trade.

**COLLEGE:** Played both linebacker and guard at Louisville. Named All-Missouri Valley Conference at guard.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Columbus, Georgia.

GAMES: 1974 (12), 1975 (12), 1976 (12).

**RILEY, STEVE**  
Tackle

**Southern California**  
Ht: 6-5½, Wt: 255

**Born: 11-23-52**  
4th Year (D1-74)



**PRO:** Started every game at left tackle in 1976 after winning the regular job midway through the 1975 season. Like starting right tackle Ron Yary, Riley is from Southern Cal and a No. 1 draft choice of the Vikings. Riley hasn't missed a game in two seasons.

**COLLEGE:** Won two letters at USC. Played guard in high school and as a college freshman. Majored in public relations.

**PERSONAL:** Born in Chula Vista, Calif., and lived in Irvine, Calif., in the off-season. Married, wife's name is Carolyn.

GAMES: 1974 (2), 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

**SIEMON, JEFF**  
Linebacker

**Stanford**  
Ht: 6-2, Wt: 237

**Born: 6-2-50**  
6th Year (D1-72)



**PRO:** Led the Vikings in tackles last season with 146 — plus 42 assists. Also caused two fumbles and blocked a field goal against the Giants. Credited with 15 unassisted tackles in the Super Bowl. Played in his third Pro Bowl last season. Became a starter as a rookie when Lonnie Warwick was injured and has been there ever since.

**COLLEGE:** All-American as a senior at Stanford. Was named All-Coast twice. Was a standout in Stanford's Rose Bowl victories over Ohio State and Michigan. Has a degree in history.

**PERSONAL:** Born in Rochester, Minn., and grew up in Bakersfield, Calif. Lives in Edina, Minn. Works as a financial consultant. Jeff and his wife, Dawn, have two children.

#### JEFF SIEMON CAREER STATISTICS

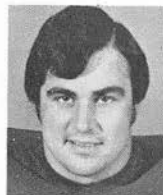
| Yr     | INTERCEPTIONS |     |      |    |    |
|--------|---------------|-----|------|----|----|
|        | No            | Yds | Avg  | LG | TD |
| 1972   | 2             | 23  | 11.5 | 23 | 0  |
| 1973   | 2             | 24  | 12.0 | 21 | 0  |
| 1974   | 2             | 24  | 12.0 | 22 | 0  |
| 1975   | 3             | 24  | 8.0  | 14 | 0  |
| 1976   | 1             | 0   | —    | —  | 0  |
| Totals | 10            | 95  | 9.5  | 23 | 0  |

GAMES: 1972 (13), 1973 (14), 1974 (14), 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

**SUTHERLAND, DOUG**  
Defensive Tackle

**Superior State**  
Ht: 6-3, Wt: 250

**Born: 8-1-48**  
8th Year (T-71)



**PRO:** Had eight sacks among his 63 tackles in 1976. Also caused two fumbles and recovered one. Moved in as a regular early in the 1974 season and has started every game in each of the last two seasons. Originally was drafted by New Orleans on the 14th round in 1970 and played guard and linebacker for the Saints. Was traded to the Vikings for running back Bill Harris in 1971 and settled into his present position.

**COLLEGE:** Earned four letters in football at Superior State and also competed in track as a weightman. Was all-conference in football. Graduated with majors in physical education and art.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Superior, Wis. (as is Bud Grant) and lives in Burnsville, Minn. Doug and his wife, Kristin, have two daughters.

**GAMES:** 1970 (10), 1971 (11), 1972 (14), 1973 (9), 1974 (14), 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

**TARKENTON, FRAN**  
Quarterback

**Georgia**  
Ht: 6-0, Wt: 185

**Born: 2-3-40**  
**17th Year (T-72)**



**PRO:** Now holds all the major NFL career passing records — attempts (5,637), completions (3,186), yards (41,801), touchdowns (308). In 1976, his attempts (412) completions (255) and percentage (61.9) all were the second-highest of his career and his interceptions (8) were the second-lowest. Set a club record during the season by throwing 155 consecutive passes without an interception. Completed 84 percent of his passes against Seattle, a club record, and threw 46 passes against the Bears, also a record. Had only 1.9 percent of his passes intercepted, another team mark. Failed to start against Pittsburgh because of a rib injury — the first time in his career he failed to start a game because of injury. Has rushed for more yards (3,669) than any quarterback in NFL history. Was a third-round draft choice of the Vikings in 1961 and was traded in 1967 to the Giants for a first and second draft choice that year (Clinton Jones and Bob Grim), a first in 1968 (Ron Yary) and a second in 1969 (Ed White). Came back to the Vikings in 1972 for Norm Snead, Grim, Vince Clements, a first-round choice in 1972 and a second-round choice in 1973.

**COLLEGE:** All-American quarterback at Georgia. Also lettered in baseball. Has a degree in business administration.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Richmond, Va., and lives in Atlanta, Ga., in the off-season. Chairman of the board of Behavioral Systems, Inc. Also did commentary for NBC television. Francis and his wife, Elaine, have three children.

### FRAN TARKENTON CAREER STATISTICS

#### PASSING

| Yr            | Att         | Comp        | Yds           | Pct         | LG         | TD         | Int        |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 1961          | 280         | 157         | 1997          | 56.1        | 71t        | 18         | 17         |
| 1962          | 329         | 163         | 2595          | 49.5        | 89t        | 22         | 25         |
| 1963          | 297         | 170         | 2311          | 57.2        | 67t        | 15         | 15         |
| 1964          | 306         | 171         | 2506          | 55.9        | 64         | 22         | 11         |
| 1965          | 329         | 171         | 2609          | 52.0        | 72t        | 19         | 11         |
| 1966          | 358         | 192         | 2561          | 53.6        | 68t        | 17         | 16         |
| *1967         | 377         | 204         | 3088          | 54.1        | 70         | 29         | 19         |
| *1968         | 337         | 182         | 2555          | 54.0        | 84         | 21         | 12         |
| *1969         | 409         | 220         | 2918          | 53.8        | 59         | 23         | 8          |
| *1970         | 389         | 219         | 2777          | 56.3        | 59         | 19         | 12         |
| *1971         | 386         | 226         | 2567          | 58.5        | 81t        | 11         | 21         |
| 1972          | 378         | 215         | 2651          | 56.9        | 76t        | 18         | 13         |
| 1973          | 274         | 169         | 2113          | 61.7        | 54         | 15         | 7          |
| 1974          | 351         | 199         | 2598          | 56.7        | 80t        | 17         | 12         |
| 1975          | 425         | 273         | 2994          | 64.2        | 46         | 25         | 13         |
| 1976          | 412         | 255         | 2961          | 61.9        | 56t        | 17         | 8          |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>5637</b> | <b>3186</b> | <b>41,801</b> | <b>56.5</b> | <b>89t</b> | <b>308</b> | <b>220</b> |

#### RUSHING

| Yr   | Att | Yds | Avg | LG  | TD |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| 1961 | 56  | 308 | 5.5 | 52t | 5  |
| 1962 | 41  | 361 | 8.8 | 31  | 2  |
| 1963 | 28  | 162 | 5.8 | 24  | 1  |
| 1964 | 50  | 330 | 6.6 | 31  | 2  |

|               |            |             |            |            |           |
|---------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| 1965          | 56         | 356         | 6.4        | 36         | 1         |
| 1966          | 62         | 376         | 6.1        | 28         | 2         |
| *1967         | 44         | 306         | 7.0        | 22         | 2         |
| *1968         | 67         | 301         | 5.3        | 22         | 3         |
| *1969         | 37         | 172         | 4.6        | 21         | 0         |
| *1970         | 43         | 236         | 5.5        | 20         | 2         |
| *1971         | 30         | 111         | 3.7        | 16         | 3         |
| 1972          | 27         | 180         | 6.7        | 21         | 0         |
| 1973          | 41         | 202         | 4.9        | 16         | 1         |
| 1974          | 21         | 120         | 5.7        | 15         | 2         |
| 1975          | 16         | 108         | 6.8        | 21t        | 2         |
| 1976          | 27         | 45          | 1.7        | 20         | 1         |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>635</b> | <b>3669</b> | <b>5.8</b> | <b>52t</b> | <b>29</b> |

\*With New York Giants

GAMES: 1961 (14), 1962 (14), 1963 (14), 1964 (14), 1965 (14), 1966 (14), 1967 (14), 1968 (14), 1969 (14), 1970 (14), 1971 (13), 1972 (14), 1973 (14), 1974 (13), 1975 (14), 1976 (13)

## TINGELHOFF, MICK Center

**Nebraska**  
**Ht: 6-2, Wt: 240**

**Born: 5-22-40**  
**16th Year (FA-62)**



**PRO:** Has started 210 consecutive regular-season games . . . and a total of 304 counting pre-season (77) and post-season (17). Took over as a starter in the second pre-season game of his rookie year (1962) and hasn't missed a start since. Got some welcome relief with the acquisition of Doug Dumler, who took over snapping duties on punts and kicks. Has been named All-Pro seven times and has played in six Pro Bowls.

**COLLEGE:** Played center and linebacker at Nebraska, winning three letters. Has a degree in physical education.

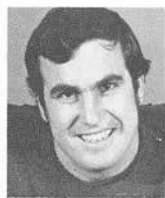
**PERSONAL:** Native of Lexington, Neb., and lives in Edina, Minn. Operates a football camp in the summer. Mick and his wife, Phyllis, have three children.

GAMES: 1962 (14), 1963 (14), 1964 (14), 1965 (14), 1966 (14), 1967 (14), 1968 (14), 1969 (14), 1970 (14), 1971 (14), 1972 (14), 1973 (14), 1974 (14), 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

## VOIGT, STU Tight End

**Wisconsin**  
**Ht: 6-1, Wt: 225**

**Born: 8-12-48**  
**8th Year (D10-70)**



**PRO:** Reception production dropped off slightly in 1976 but opponents still consider him to be one of the most underrated tight ends in the NFL. Caught touchdown passes in two of the three playoff games. Started every game last season.

**COLLEGE:** Played tight end and running back at Wisconsin. Won eight varsity letters — three in football, three in track, two in baseball. Set school records in the shot put and discus. Was most valuable player on the football team in 1969. Has a masters degree

in business.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Madison, Wis., and lived in Minneapolis in the off-season. He is single.

# STU VOIGT CAREER STATISTICS

## RECEIVING

| Yr            | No         | Yds         | Avg         | LG        | TD        |
|---------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1970          | —          | —           | —           | —         | —         |
| 1971          | 15         | 214         | 14.2        | 25        | 1         |
| *1972         | 6          | 50          | 8.3         | 14        | 1         |
| 1973          | 23         | 318         | 13.8        | 43        | 2         |
| 1974          | 32         | 268         | 8.4         | 22        | 5         |
| 1975          | 34         | 363         | 10.7        | 22        | 4         |
| 1976          | 28         | 303         | 10.8        | 44        | 1         |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>138</b> | <b>1516</b> | <b>11.0</b> | <b>44</b> | <b>14</b> |

\*1972 also scored a rushing TD on a 1 yard end-around play.

GAMES: 1970 (3), 1971 (12), 1972 (14), 1973 (13), 1974 (14), 1975 (13), 1976 (14)

**WHITE, ED**  
Guard

**California**  
Ht: 6-2½, Wt: 270

**Born: 4-4-47**  
**9th Year (D2-69)**



**PRO:** Started every game but one last season. Has been a starter for six years. Played in the Pro Bowl for the second straight year.

**COLLEGE:** All-American defensive tackle and captain as a senior at California. Vikings shifted him from defense to offense. Won four letters in football and two in track. Has a degree in landscape architecture.

**PERSONAL:** Native of LaMesa, Calif., and lives in Rosemount, Minn. Works for Yary Sports Photo, a company run by teammate Ron Yary that specializes in team photos. Ed and his wife, Joanne, have three children.

GAMES: 1969 (14), 1970 (14), 1971 (14), 1972 (14), 1973 (14), 1974 (13), 1975 (13), 1976 (13)

**WHITE, JAMES**  
Defensive Tackle

**Oklahoma State**  
Ht: 6-3, Wt: 260

**Born: 10-26-53**  
**2nd Year (D1-76)**



**PRO:** Played in every game in 1976 as a reserve defensive tackle. Had two quarterback sacks and caused one fumble. With his acquisition last season, the Vikings had four defensive linemen who were No. 1 draft choices — White, Mark Mullaney, Carl Eller and Alan Page.

**COLLEGE:** Won four football letters at Oklahoma State and was named All-American as a senior. Had nine sacks that season. Also played basketball in high school. Major was special education — working with the mentally retarded.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Hot Springs, Ark., and lived in Stillwater, Okla., where he continued to work on his degree. Nickname is "Duck." He is single.

GAMES: 1976 (14)



**WHITE, SAMMY**  
Wide Receiver

**Grambling**  
Ht: 5-11, Wt: 189

**Born: 3-16-54**  
2nd Year (D2-76)



**PRO:** Consensus NFL offensive rookie of the year and NFC rookie of the year in 1976 and played in the Pro Bowl. Ranked seventh in the NFC with 51 catches and had the most yards of any conference receiver, 906. His 51 catches tied a Viking rookie record and his 906 yards were the third-most in club history. His 10 touchdown receptions were the most since Jerry Reichow set the team record with 11 in 1961. White is the only rookie ever to start every game for Bud Grant at Minnesota. Set a club record with 210

yards on 7 receptions against Detroit. Caught nine passes against Los Angeles and Miami.

**COLLEGE:** Division II NCAA All-American as a junior and senior. As a wingback, rushed 63 times for 479 yards and caught 37 passes for 802 yards as a senior. Scored 43 touchdowns in his career.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Winnsboro, La., and Lives in Monroe, La. Married, wife's name is Penny.

#### SAMMY WHITE CAREER STATISTICS

| Yr   | RECEIVING |     |      |     |    | KICKOFF RETURNS |     |      |    |    | PUNT RETURNS |    |     |      |    |    |
|------|-----------|-----|------|-----|----|-----------------|-----|------|----|----|--------------|----|-----|------|----|----|
|      | No        | Yds | Avg  | LG  | TD | No              | Yds | Avg  | LG | TD | No           | FC | Yds | Avg  | LG | TD |
| 1976 | 51        | 906 | 17.8 | 56t | 10 | 9               | 173 | 19.2 | 36 | 0  | 3            | 1  | 45  | 15.0 | 31 | 0  |

In 1976, White rushed 5 times for a minus 10 yards.

GAMES: 1976 (14)

**WILLIS, LEONARD**  
Wide Receiver

**Ohio State**  
Ht: 5-10, Wt: 180

**Born: 3-4-54**  
2nd Year (D4-76)



**PRO:** Played every game in 1976 as a kick and punt return man. Played very little as a wide receiver. In his first game as a pro — against New Orleans in the season opener — returned four punts for a 15-yard average . . . his best day of the season.

**COLLEGE:** Started at Nebraska Southern Junior College — where he was named JC All-American — before transferring to Ohio State. Played wide receiver and returned kickoffs for the Buckeyes — in addition to running on the track team. Major was marketing, management and distributive education.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Washington, D.C., and lives in Burnsville, Minn. Lenny and his wife, Arlette, have one son.

#### LEONARD WILLIS CAREER STATISTICS

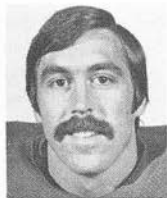
| Yr   | KICKOFF RETURNS |     |      |    |    | PUNT RETURNS |    |     |     |    |    |
|------|-----------------|-----|------|----|----|--------------|----|-----|-----|----|----|
|      | No              | Yds | Avg  | LG | TD | No           | FC | Yds | Avg | LG | TD |
| 1976 | 24              | 552 | 23.0 | 57 | 0  | 30           | 10 | 207 | 6.9 | 29 | 0  |

GAMES: 1976 (14)

**WRIGHT, JEFF**  
Safety

**Minnesota**  
Ht: 5-11, Wt: 190

**Born: 6-13-49**  
7th Year (D15-71)



**PRO:** Came back from 1975 knee surgery to start every game at strong safety in 1976. Had 83 tackles (including a quarterback sack) and 30 assists. Also deflected a punt against New Orleans and recovered a fumble. Has played all four defensive back positions.

**COLLEGE:** All-Big Ten as a junior and senior. Captain and MVP as a senior. Returned a pass interception 94 yards for a touchdown in the East-West game. Majored in business and sociology.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Edina, Minn., where he resides in the off-season. Jeff and his wife, Jayne, have one daughter.

#### JEFF WRIGHT CAREER STATISTICS INTERCEPTIONS

| Yr            | No        | Yds        | Avg         | LG        | TD       |
|---------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-----------|----------|
| 1971          | —         | —          | —           | —         | —        |
| 1972          | 3         | 31         | 10.3        | 31        | 0        |
| 1973          | 3         | 31         | 10.3        | 25        | 0        |
| 1974          | 4         | 58         | 14.5        | 27        | 0        |
| 1975          | —         | —          | —           | —         | —        |
| 1976          | 1         | 5          | 5.0         | 5         | 0        |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>11</b> | <b>125</b> | <b>11.4</b> | <b>31</b> | <b>0</b> |

GAMES: 1971 (14), 1972 (13), 1973 (14), 1974 (11), 1975 (3), 1976 (14)

**WRIGHT, NATE**  
Cornerback

**San Diego State**  
Ht: 5-11, Wt: 180

**Born: 12-21-47**  
9th Year (T-71)



**PRO:** Failed to start the opener because of a sprained ankle but started every game thereafter. Intercepted two passes against Seattle and two against the Packers at Milwaukee. His seven interceptions were a career high and the second year he has led the Vikings in that category — the other being six in 1974. Has been a Viking starter for four seasons. Signed as a free agent with Atlanta in 1969 and was sold to St. Louis the same season. Came to the Vikings (with tight end Bob Brown) for Dale Hackbart, Mike McGill and a fourth-round draft choice in 1971.

**COLLEGE:** Two-year regular at San Diego State. Also lettered in basketball. Has a BA degree.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Madison, Fla., and lives in San Diego, Calif., where he is in the real estate business. Nate and his wife, Kristy, have one son.

# NATE WRIGHT CAREER STATISTICS

## INTERCEPTIONS

| Yr            | No        | Yds        | Avg        | LG        | TD       |
|---------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|
| *1969         | 2         | 41         | 20.5       | —         | 0        |
| †1970         | 1         | 0          | 0.0        | 0         | 0        |
| 1971          | 0         | 0          | 0          | 0         | 0        |
| 1972          | 1         | 10         | 10.0       | 10        | 0        |
| 1973          | 3         | 6          | 2.0        | 6         | 0        |
| 1974          | 6         | 91         | 15.2       | 27        | 0        |
| 1975          | —         | —          | —          | —         | —        |
| 1976          | 7         | 47         | 6.7        | 21        | 0        |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>20</b> | <b>195</b> | <b>9.8</b> | <b>27</b> | <b>0</b> |

\*With Atlanta and St. Louis

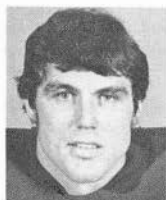
†With St. Louis

GAMES: 1969 (10), 1970 (14), 1971 (4), 1972 (14), 1973 (14), 1974 (14), 1975 (14), 1976 (14)

**YARY, RON**  
Tackle

**Southern California**  
**Ht: 6-6, Wt: 255**

**Born: 7-16-46**  
**10th Year (D1-68)**



**PRO:** Has been named All-Pro six times, including last season. Has been a Viking starter for eight seasons and has played in the last six Pro Bowl games. Was the first player picked in the 1968 draft, with a choice the Vikings got from the Giants in the Fran Tarkenton trade. Started every game last season.

**COLLEGE:** Two-time All-American at USC and winner of the Outland Trophy as the top collegiate lineman of 1967. Has a degree in finance.

**PERSONAL:** Born in Chicago and grew up in Bellflower, Calif., where he and his brother, Wayne, operate a photography business . . . specializing in taking athletic team pictures. Active in the Big Brothers program. He is single.

GAMES: 1968 (14), 1969 (11), 1970 (14), 1971 (14), 1972 (14), 1973 (14), 1974 (14), 1975 (14), 1976 (14)



# 1977 DRAFTEES



**Hannon**

**BEAVER, DAN**  
Kicker

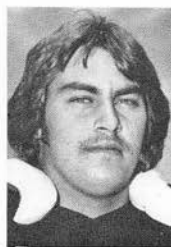


**Kramer**

**Illinois**  
Ht: 6-1, Wt: 189



**Moore**



**Swilley**

**Born: 12-25-54**  
(D10-77)

Broke Red Grange's Illinois career scoring record with 198 points over four seasons as a regular. Converted on 38 of 71 field goals and 84 of 93 extra points in his career. Made 9 of 17 field goal attempts and 24 of 25 PAT's in 1976. Soccer-style kicker. Named to the All-Big Ten and All-Big Ten Academic teams in 1974 and 1976. Made five field goals of 50 or more yards in his career including a 57-yarder in 1975 that set the Big Ten record (later broken by Tom Skladany). Played six-man football and basketball in high school. Hometown is Long Beach, Calif. Spent much of his childhood in Africa with his missionary father. Physical education major. He is single.

**HANNON, TOM**  
Safety

**Michigan State**  
Ht: 5-11½, Wt: 193

**Born: 3-5-55**  
(D3-77)

Named to the All-Big Ten team as a junior and a senior. Made 68 solo tackles and assisted on 40 others as a senior. Led the Big Ten in punt returns as a sophomore. Blocked four punts as a junior. Career totals are four interceptions and 41 punt returns for 332 yards (8.1 average). Was a three-year starter and a four-year letterman. Has played both strong and free safety. Has run 40 in 4.7 seconds. Played basketball and was a long-jumper in high school. Native of Massillon, Ohio. Physical education major. He is single.

**HARTWIG, KEITH**  
Wide Receiver

**Arizona**  
Ht: 6-0, Wt: 186

**Born: 12-10-53**  
(D11-77)

Caught 54 passes for 1,134 yards (21.0 average) and 10 touchdowns as a senior. Ranked sixth in NCAA receiving in 1976 and was named Honorable Mention All-American. Played in the Blue-Gray, East-West and Hula Bowl games in 1976. Two year letterman — played backup role until senior year. Also returned 19 punts for 132 yards (7.0 average) in 1976. Home is Tucson, Ariz. Rehabilitation major. He and his wife, Mary, have one child — Michael.

**KELLEHER, JIM**  
Running Back

**Colorado**  
Ht: 6-1, Wt: 211

**Born: 12-16-53**  
(D12-77)

Rushed for 615 yards on 155 carries and 15 touchdowns in 1976. Also caught seven passes for 45 yards. Gained 455 yards on 94 carries and scored three touchdowns in

1975. Good blocker. Last player selected in 1977 draft. Native of Fort Wayne, Ind. College major is marketing. He is single.

**KRAMER, TOMMY**  
Quarterback

Rice  
Ht: 6-1, Wt: 199

Born: 3-7-55  
(D1-77)

Consensus All-American in 1976. Led the NCAA in total offense and in passing last season. Completed 269 of 501 passes for 3,317 yards and 21 touchdowns as a senior. His 3,317 yards passing was the second highest total in NCAA history. Started all four years at Rice. Completed 507 of 1,036 passes for 6,197 yards and 37 TDs in his college career. Vikings had him rated as the top quarterback in 1977 draft. First quarterback ever to be drafted by Vikings on first round. Named Texas high school player-of-the-year in 1972 as quarterback of San Antonio Lee. College coach said his greatest asset is his intelligence, and also praised his leadership qualities. Went to Rice because of school's high academic rating. Business administration major. He is single. Has six brothers and four sisters. Three of his older brothers were college quarterbacks — and his father, Col. John Kramer, coached at Texas Lutheran for six years.

**MOORE, KEN**  
Tight End

Northern Illinois  
Ht: 6-2½, Wt: 226

Born: 7-25-54  
(D5-77)

Three-year letterman — played running back in first four games of 1976, gaining 247 yards in 47 attempts, before being moved back to tight end. Had 30 catches for 425 yards and three touchdowns as a junior. Also has played defensive end. Considered to be an excellent blocker with good speed. Hometown is Chicago, Ill. College major is physical education. He is single.

**STROZIER, CLINT**  
Safety

Southern California  
Ht: 6-2½, Wt: 186

Born: 2-15-55  
(D8-77)

Intercepted two passes as a rover back in 1976 and five passes as a safety in 1975. Named to the All-Pac-8 team as a senior. Was a two-year regular after transferring from Moorpark Junior College. Had two interceptions in 1975 Liberty Bowl. Hometown is Oxnard, Calif. Physical education major. He is single.

**STUDWELL, SCOTT**  
Linebacker

Illinois  
Ht: 6-2, Wt: 224

Born: 8-27-54  
(D9-77)

Made 177 tackles as a senior — leading the Big Ten and breaking the school record formerly held by Dick Butkus. His best day was 23 tackles against Purdue. His 342 career tackles rank second behind Butkus in Illinois history. Named All-Big Ten and third team All-American in 1976. Three-year letterman and two-year starter — played defensive tackle as a sophomore and was a tri-captain as a senior. Returned only interception in career for a touchdown in 1975. Native of Evansville, Ind. Commerce major. He is single.

**SWILLEY, DENNIS**  
Guard

Texas A&M  
Ht: 6-3½, Wt: 241

Born: 6-28-55  
(D2-77)

Selected to the All-Southwest Conference team as a senior. A four-year letterman in college — played tackle his first two years before switching to center and finally guard. Has good quickness and speed. Played tight end in high school. Was rated the top guard in the draft by the Vikings. Hometown is Pine Bluff, Ark. Major is architecture. He is single.

# 1977 MINNESOTA VIKINGS

| No. | Name              | Pos. | Ht.      | Wt. | Age | NFL  | College                |
|-----|-------------------|------|----------|-----|-----|------|------------------------|
|     |                   |      |          |     |     | Exp. |                        |
| 18  | Adams, Michael    | WR   | 6-2 1/2  | 181 | 23  | R    | Miami (Fla.)           |
| 25  | Allen, Nate       | CB   | 5-11     | 174 | 29  | 7    | Texas Southern         |
| 56  | Anderson, Scott   | C    | 6-5      | 256 | 26  | 3    | Missouri               |
| 27  | Beamon, Autry     | S    | 6-1      | 190 | 23  | 3    | East Texas State       |
| 3   | Beaver, Dan       | K    | 6-1      | 189 | 23  | R    | Illinois               |
| 17  | Berry, Bob        | QB   | 5-11     | 185 | 35  | 13   | Oregon                 |
| 21  | Blahak, Joe       | CB   | 5-10     | 185 | 26  | 5    | Nebraska               |
| 59  | Blair, Matt       | LB   | 6-5      | 229 | 25  | 4    | Iowa State             |
| 63  | Bockeloh, Mark    | LB   | 6-1      | 220 | 22  | R    | Rice                   |
| 8   | Bolton, Pat       | K    | 5-10     | 185 | 24  | R    | Montana State          |
| 24  | Bradley, Bill     | S    | 5-11     | 190 | 30  | 9    | Texas                  |
| 20  | Bryant, Bobby     | CB   | 6-1      | 170 | 33  | 9    | South Carolina         |
| 74  | Buetow, Bart      | T    | 6-5      | 250 | 26  | 4    | Minnesota              |
| 12  | Clabo, Neil       | P    | 6-2      | 200 | 24  | 3    | Tennessee              |
| 14  | Cox, Fred         | K    | 5-10     | 200 | 38  | 15   | Pittsburgh             |
| 84  | Craig, Steve      | TE   | 6-3      | 231 | 26  | 4    | Northwestern           |
| 7   | Danmeier, Richard | K    | 6-0      | 183 | 25  | 1    | Sioux Falls (S.D.)     |
| 57  | Dumler, Doug      | C    | 6-3      | 242 | 26  | 5    | Nebraska               |
| 81  | Eller, Carl       | DE   | 6-6      | 247 | 35  | 14   | Minnesota              |
| 44  | Foreman, Chuck    | RB   | 6-2      | 207 | 26  | 5    | Miami (Fla.)           |
| 65  | Gissler, Robert   | LB   | 6-4      | 220 | 24  | 1    | South Dakota State     |
| 68  | Goodrum, Charles  | T    | 6-3      | 256 | 27  | 5    | Florida A&M            |
| 41  | Gore, Art         | RB   | 5-8      | 175 | 22  | R    | Duke                   |
| 26  | Grim, Bob         | WR   | 6-0      | 188 | 32  | 11   | Oregon State           |
| 47  | Groce, Ron        | RB   | 6-2      | 211 | 23  | 2    | Macalester             |
| 40  | Hall, Windlan     | S    | 5-11     | 175 | 27  | 6    | Arizona State          |
| 61  | Hamilton, Wes     | G    | 6-3      | 255 | 24  | 2    | Tulsa                  |
| 45  | Hannon, Tom       | S    | 5-11 1/2 | 193 | 22  | R    | Michigan State         |
| 86  | Hartwig, Keith    | WR   | 6-0      | 186 | 23  | R    | Arizona                |
| 58  | Hilgenberg, Wally | LB   | 6-3      | 229 | 34  | 14   | Iowa                   |
| 29  | Hill, John        | S    | 5-11     | 190 | 23  | R    | Southwest St. (Mn.)    |
| 82  | Hollins, J.T.     | WR   | 6-0      | 162 | 23  | R    | North Texas State      |
| 75  | Jeske, Michael    | DE   | 6-6      | 240 | 22  | R    | Platteville St. (Wis.) |
| 48  | Johnson, Sammy    | RB   | 6-1      | 226 | 24  | 4    | North Carolina         |
| 39  | Kellar, Mark      | RB   | 6-0      | 225 | 24  | 2    | Northern Illinois      |
| 42  | Kelleher, Jim     | RB   | 6-1      | 211 | 23  | R    | Colorado               |
| 9   | Kramer, Tommy     | QB   | 6-1      | 199 | 22  | R    | Rice                   |
| 22  | Krause, Paul      | S    | 6-3      | 205 | 35  | 14   | Iowa                   |

# TRAINING CAMP ROSTER

| No. | Name              | Pos. | Ht.     | Wt. | Age | NFL Exp | College             |
|-----|-------------------|------|---------|-----|-----|---------|---------------------|
| 89  | Kullas, Ronald    | WR   | 6-2     | 200 | 22  | R       | Minnesota           |
| 19  | Lee, Bob          | QB   | 6-2     | 195 | 31  | 9       | Pacific             |
| 64  | Ludens, Eugene    | LB   | 6-1     | 230 | 24  | R       | South Dakota State  |
| 70  | Marshall, Jim     | DE   | 6-4     | 240 | 39  | 18      | Ohio State          |
| 55  | Martin, Amos      | LB   | 6-3     | 228 | 28  | 6       | Louisville          |
| 33  | McClanahan, Brent | RB   | 5-10    | 202 | 26  | 5       | Arizona State       |
| 54  | McNeill, Fred     | LB   | 6-2     | 229 | 25  | 4       | UCLA                |
| 35  | Miller, Robert    | RB   | 5-11    | 204 | 24  | 3       | Kansas              |
| 87  | Moore, Ken        | TE   | 6-2 1/2 | 226 | 22  | R       | Northern Illinois   |
| 77  | Mullaney, Mark    | DE   | 6-6     | 242 | 24  | 3       | Colorado State      |
| 71  | Nessel, John      | T    | 6-6     | 270 | 24  | 1       | Penn State          |
| 88  | Page, Alan        | DT   | 6-4     | 245 | 31  | 11      | Notre Dame          |
| 28  | Rashad, Ahmad     | WR   | 6-2     | 200 | 27  | 5       | Oregon              |
| 52  | Reese, Steve      | LB   | 6-0     | 223 | 25  | 4       | Louisville          |
| 78  | Riley, Steve      | T    | 6-6     | 258 | 24  | 4       | Southern California |
| 15  | Salmon, Bill      | QB   | 6-0     | 195 | 23  | R       | Northern Iowa       |
| 50  | Siemon, Jeff      | LB   | 6-3     | 237 | 27  | 6       | Stanford            |
| 16  | Smock, Trent      | WR-P | 6-4     | 205 | 22  | 1       | Indiana             |
| 31  | Snyder, Courtney  | RB   | 6-1     | 196 | 22  | R       | Indiana             |
| 49  | Strozier, Clint   | S    | 6-2 1/2 | 186 | 22  | R       | Southern California |
| 66  | Studwell, Scott   | LB   | 6-2     | 224 | 22  | R       | Illinois            |
| 69  | Sutherland, Doug  | DT   | 6-3     | 250 | 29  | 8       | Superior St. (Wis.) |
| 67  | Swilley, Dennis   | G    | 6-3 1/2 | 241 | 22  | R       | Texas A&M           |
| 6   | Swinbank, Chris   | P    | 5-11    | 170 | 28  | R       | Australian National |
| 10  | Tarkenton, Fran   | QB   | 6-0     | 185 | 37  | 17      | Georgia             |
| 11  | Thomas, Bobby     | WR   | 5-7     | 160 | 22  | R       | Nebraska            |
| 53  | Tingelhoff, Mick  | C    | 6-2     | 240 | 37  | 16      | Nebraska            |
| 83  | Voigt, Stu        | TE   | 6-1     | 225 | 28  | 8       | Wisconsin           |
| 62  | White, Ed         | G    | 6-3     | 270 | 30  | 9       | California          |
| 72  | White, James      | DT   | 6-3     | 263 | 23  | 2       | Oklahoma State      |
| 85  | White, Sammy      | WR   | 5-11    | 189 | 23  | 2       | Grambling           |
| 32  | Williams, Jornell | RB   | 5-11    | 193 | 22  | R       | Missouri            |
| 80  | Willis, Leonard   | WR   | 5-10    | 180 | 24  | 2       | Ohio State          |
| 23  | Wright, Jeff      | S    | 5-11    | 190 | 28  | 7       | Minnesota           |
| 43  | Wright, Nate      | CB   | 5-11    | 180 | 29  | 9       | San Diego State     |
| 73  | Yary, Ron         | T    | 6-6     | 255 | 30  | 10      | Southern California |
| 51  | Zarazan, Daniel   | LB   | 6-3     | 212 | 22  | R       | Drake               |



# 1977 NEWCOMERS AND FREE AGENTS

**ADAMS, MICHAEL**  
Wide Receiver

Miami (Fla.)  
Ht: 6-2½, Wt: 181

Born: 6-25-54  
(FA-77)

Won two letters at Miami. Biggest day was nine catches against Notre Dame. Has been timed in 4.78 seconds in the 40. College major was arts and science. Played basketball, baseball, football and track at Southwest High School in Atlanta. Was All-State in football. He is single.

**BOCKELOH, MARK**  
Linebacker

Rice  
Ht: 6-1, Wt: 220

Born: 3-14-55  
(FA-77)

Won four football letters and also played golf at Rice. Was teammate and roommate of Vikings' 1st-round choice Tommy Kramer. Has a degree in political science/health. Best day as a player was 26 tackles against Texas in 1977. Was All-State linebacker-quarterback at Rye (N.Y.) High School. He is single.

**BOLTON, PAT**  
Kicker

Montana State  
Ht: 5-10, Wt: 185

Born: 3-20-53  
(FA-77)

All-Big Sky kicker in 1974 and 1975. Four year letterman — is the all-time scoring leader at Montana State. Won all-state honors as a running back and kicker at Butte, (Mont.) High School. College major was secondary education. Home is Walkerville, Mont. He is single.

**DANMEIER, RICK**  
Kicker

Sioux Falls  
Ht: 6-0, Wt: 183

Born: 4-8-52  
(FA-77)

Tried out with Atlanta in 1974, the Vikings in 1975 and Chicago in 1976. Was All-Conference at Sioux Falls, where he won four letters. Also attended Lakewood Junior College. Native of White Bear Lake, Minn. Majored in physical education. He is single.

**GISSLER, ROBERT**  
Linebacker

South Dakota State  
Ht: 6-4, Wt: 220

Born: 2-26-53  
(FA-77)

Drafted on the 14th round by Miami Dolphins in 1976 and was waived. Was Division II Academic All-American as a junior and senior at South Dakota State, where he earned three letters as a defensive end. Played football (quarterback, running back, linebacker) and basketball at Osceola (Neb.) High School. Has a degree in mechanical engineering and worked in the off-season as a research assistant testing solar heating units. He is single.

**GORE, ART**  
**Running Back**

**Duke**  
**Ht: 5-9, Wt: 180**

**Born: 4-28-55**  
**(FA-77)**

Won four letters as a running back at Duke, setting school records for kickoff returns and career rushing average. Also participated in track. Has been timed in 4.5 for 40. Has a degree in public policy/economics and intends to enter a master's program. He is single.

**HILL, JOHN**  
**Safety**

**Southwest State**  
**Ht: 5-11, Wt: 190**

**Born: 3-5-54**  
**(FA-77)**

Won four letters as a cornerback and safety. Was named all-conference. Also competed in tennis and track. Was born in St. Paul and graduated from Slayton (Minn.) High School where he was a running back and linebacker. Graduated from Southwest State with a degree in physical education and health. He is single.

**HOLLINS, J.T.**  
**Wide Receiver**

**North Texas State**  
**Ht: 6-0, Wt: 162**

**Born: 11-29-53**  
**(FA-77)**

Won three letters as a wide receiver. Started at Colorado before transferring to Ranger Junior College and then to North Texas State. Also competed in track. College major was physical education. Native of McKinney, Texas. J.T. and his wife, Beverly, have a son, James.

**JESKE, MICHAEL**  
**Defensive End**

**Wisconsin-Platteville**  
**Ht: 6-6, Wt: 240**

**Born: 3-31-55**  
**(FA-77)**

Won four letters as a defensive end and set a school record for fumbles recovered in a season and career. Scored a TD on an interception as a freshman. Has a degree in business. Also played basketball at Milwaukee Hamilton High School. One of his hobbies is astronomy. He is single.

**KULLAS, RON**  
**Wide Receiver**

**Minnesota**  
**Ht: 6-2, Wt: 200**

**Born: 11-3-54**  
**(FA-77)**

Was named All-Big Ten by the Chicago Tribune as a junior and senior. Won three letters. Majored in physical education. Works in off-season as an insurance agent. Was an all-state quarterback at Columbia Heights (Minn.) High School. Also played basketball. He is single.

**LOUDENS, EUGENE**  
**Linebacker**

**South Dakota State**  
**Ht: 6-1, Wt: 230**

**Born: 8-28-52**  
**(FA-77)**

Won four letters and was named All-Conference in 1976. Majored in physical education-physical therapy. Graduate of Viborg, (S.D.) High School, where he also participated in basketball and track. Was in the Army from 1970-1973 as a recreation specialist. He is single.

**NESSEL, JOHN**  
**Tackle**

**Penn State**  
**Ht: 6-6, Wt: 270**

**Born: 12-31-52**  
**(FA-77)**

Was fourth-round draft choice of the Atlanta Falcons in 1975 after winning three letters as a guard and tackle at Penn State. Was named Walter Camp All-American. Also has snapped for punts and conversions. After being drafted was traded by Atlanta to Kansas City. Was waived and picked up by Philadelphia. After his release by the Eagles he was a substitute school teacher (industrial arts) in Georgetown, Conn. Had tryouts with New England and San Francisco in 1976. He is single.

**SALMON, BILL**  
**Quarterback**

**Northern Iowa**  
**Ht: 6-0, Wt: 195**

**Born: 1-27-54**  
**(D10-76)**

Was drafted on the 10th round by the Vikings in 1976 but suffered a knee injury in a toboggan accident and was unable to play. Was Most Valuable Player in the North Central Conference in 1975. Set school records in total offense and passing. As a senior, passed for 16 touchdowns and ran for 10. College major was physical education and health.

**SMOCK, TRENT**  
**Wide Receiver**

**Indiana**  
**Ht: 6-4, Wt: 205**

**Born: 8-28-54**  
**(FA-77)**

Drafted on the 15th round by Detroit in 1976. Led Indiana in receiving in his senior year. Caught 92 passes in his career. Also punted 45 times in 1975 for a 39.5-yard average., All-State and All-American as basketball and football player in Richmond, Ind. Has a degree in psychology. He is single.

**SNYDER, COURTNEY**  
**Running Back**

**Indiana**  
**Ht: 6-1, Wt: 196**

**Born: 2-13-55**  
**(FA-77)**

Suffered a broken leg in the first game of the 1976 season but still had a career rushing total of 2,781 yards on 626 carries and caught 35 passes for 191 yards. Won three letters. Coaches timed him in 4.7 seconds in the 40. Was All-Big Ten as a sophomore. In his final game of 1975 rushed 34 times for 211 yards against Purdue. Business/physical education major. He is single.

**SWINBANK, CHRISTOPHER**  
**Punter**

**Australian National**  
**Ht: 5-11, Wt: 170**

**Born: 11-28-49**  
**(FA-77)**

Played rugby in college in Canberra, Australia from 1968-1971. Graduated in physics with honors. Is a postage stamp dealer in Boulder, Colo. Married, wife's name is Pamela.

**THOMAS, BOBBY**  
**Wide Receiver**

**Nebraska**  
**Ht: 5-7, Wt: 160**

**Born: 2-7-55**  
**(FA-77)**

Won three letters and caught 31 passes each of his last two seasons. Has been timed in 4.5 seconds in 40. Has done some kick returning. Good baseball player and also

played tennis. Majored in journalism and advertising. All-around athlete at Upper Merion (Pa.) High School. He is single.

**WILLIAMS, JORNELL**  
Running Back

Missouri  
Ht: 5-11, Wt: 193

Born: 4-7-55  
(FA-77)

Won two letters at Missouri. Has been timed in 4.56 in the 40. Majored in elementary education and worked as a teacher's aid. Also competed in track. He is single.

**ZARAZAN, DANIEL**  
Linebacker

Drake  
Ht: 6-3, Wt: 212

Born: 11-4-54  
(FA-77)

All-Missouri Valley Conference selection as a senior. Was team co-captain and MVP. Has a degree in sociology. Switched from defensive end to linebacker in 1975. Has run 40 in 4.76 seconds. Was All-Chicago area wide receiver at Morton East High School. He is single.

## ROSTER ORIGIN — 1977

### FROM THE 1964 DRAFT

Carl Eller, de (1st, Minnesota)

### FROM THE 1967 DRAFT

Alan Page, dt (1st, Notre Dame); Bobby Bryant, db (7th, South Carolina)

### FROM THE 1968 DRAFT

Ron Yary, t (1st, Southern California)

### FROM THE 1969 DRAFT

Ed White, g (2nd, California)

### FROM THE 1970 DRAFT

Stuart Voigt, te (10th, Wisconsin)

### FROM THE 1971 DRAFT

Jeff Wright, db (15th, Minnesota)

### FROM THE 1972 DRAFT

Jeff Siemon, lb (1st, Stanford); Amos Martin, lb (6th, Louisville); Charles Goodrum, t (9th, Florida A&M)

### FROM THE 1973 DRAFT

Chuck Foreman, rb (1st, Miami-Florida); Brent McClanahan, rb (5th, Arizona State)

### FROM THE 1974 DRAFT

Fred McNeill, lb (1st, UCLA); Steve Riley, t (1st, USC); Matt Blair, lb (2nd, Iowa State); Steve Craig, te (3rd, Northwestern); Scott Anderson, c (3rd, Missouri); Mark Kellar, rb (6th, Northern Illinois)

### FROM THE 1975 DRAFT

Mark Mullaney, de (1st, Colorado State); Robert Miller, rb (5th, Kansas); Neil Clabo, p (10th, Tennessee); Autry Beamon, s (12th, East Texas State)

### FROM THE 1976 DRAFT

James White, dt (1st, Oklahoma State); Sammy White, wr (2nd, Grambling); Wes

Hamilton, g (3rd, Tulsa); Leonard Willis, wr (4th, Ohio State); Bill Salmon, qb (10th, Northern Iowa)

## SIGNED AS FREE AGENTS (Prior to 1977 Season)

1962 — Mick Tingelhoff, c (Nebraska)

1963 — Fred Cox, k (Pittsburgh)

1975 — Bob Lee, qb (Pacific)

1976 — Ron Groce, rb (Macalester); Bart Buetow, t (Minnesota); Bob Grim, wr (Oregon State)

## OBTAINED IN PLAYER TRADES

1961 — Jim Marshall, de (from Cleveland)

1962 — Fred Cox, k (from Cleveland, then waived)

1968 — Paul Krause, db (from Washington)

1971 — Doug Sutherland, dt (from New Orleans); Nate Wright, db (from St. Louis)

1972 — Francis Tarkenton, qb (from N.Y. Giants)

1973 — Bob Berry, qb (from Atlanta)

1976 — Doug Dumler, c (from New England); Nate Allen, db, Windlan Hall, db (from San Francisco); Ahmad Rashad, wr (from Seattle); Sammy Johnson, rb (from San Francisco)

## CLAIMED AND PURCHASED VIA WAIVERS (Prior to 1977 Season)

1968 — Wally Hilgenberg, lb (from Pittsburgh)

# VIKING ALUMNI

(Through 1976 Season)

|                                        |         |
|----------------------------------------|---------|
| Adams, Tom (e) Minnesota-Duluth        | 1962    |
| Alderman, Grady (t) Detroit University | 1961-74 |
| Arrobbio, Chuck (t) USC                | 1966    |
| Athas, Pete (cb) Tennessee             | 1975    |
| Ballman, Gary (te) Michigan State      | 1973    |
| Barnes, Bill (rb) Wake Forest          | 1965-66 |
| Battle, Jim (g) So. Illinois           | 1963    |
| Beasley, John (te) California          | 1967-73 |
| Bedsale, Hal (te) USC                  | 1964-66 |
| Bishop, Bill (dt) No Texas State       | 1961    |
| Blahak, Joe (cb) Oklahoma              | 1974-75 |
| Bolin, Bookie (g) Mississippi          | 1968-69 |
| Boone, David (de) Eastern Michigan     | 1974    |
| Bowie, Larry (g) Purdue                | 1962-68 |
| Boylan, Jim (e) Washington St.         | 1963-64 |
| Breitenstein, Bob (t) Tulsa            | 1967    |
| Britt, Charlie (db) Georgia            | 1964    |
| Brown, Bill (rb) Illinois              | 1962-74 |
| Brown, Robert (te) Alcorn A&M          | 1971    |
| Brown, Terry (s) Oklahoma State        | 1972-75 |
| Bundra, Mike (dt) USC                  | 1964    |
| Butler, Billy (rb) Chattanooga         | 1962-64 |
| Byers, Ken (g) Cincinnati              | 1964-66 |
| Caleb, Jamie (rb) Grambling            | 1961    |
| Calland, Lee (db) Louisville           | 1963-65 |
| Campbell, John (lb) Minnesota          | 1963-64 |
| Cappleman, Bill (qb) Florida State     | 1970    |
| Carpenter, Preston (te) Arkansas       | 1966    |
| Charles, John (db) Purdue              | 1970    |
| Christopherson, Jim (k) Concordia      | 1962    |

|                                         |         |
|-----------------------------------------|---------|
| Clarke, Leon (e) USC                    | 1963    |
| Coleman, Al (db) Tennessee St.          | 1967    |
| Cuzzo, Gary (qb) Virginia               | 1968-71 |
| Culpepper, Ed (dt) Alabama              | 1961    |
| Dale, Carroll (wr) Virginia Tech        | 1973    |
| Davis, Doug (t) Kentucky                | 1966-72 |
| Dawson, Rhett (wr) Florida State        | 1973    |
| Dean, Ted (rb) Wichita                  | 1964    |
| Demery, Calvin (wr) Arizona State       | 1972    |
| Denny, Earl (rb) Missouri               | 1967-68 |
| Denson, Al (wr) Florida A&M             | 1971    |
| Denton, Bob (de) Pacific                | 1961-64 |
| Derby, Dean (db) Washington             | 1961-62 |
| Dickson, Paul (dt) Baylor               | 1961-70 |
| Dillon, Terry (db) Montana              | 1963    |
| Donahue, Oscar (e) San Jose             | 1962    |
| Eischeid, Mike (p) Upper Iowa           | 1972-74 |
| Farber, Hap (lb) Mississippi            | 1970    |
| Faust, Paul (lb) Minnesota              | 1967    |
| Ferguson, Bob (rb) OSU                  | 1963    |
| Ferguson, Charley (e) Tennessee St.     | 1962    |
| Fitzgerald, Mike (db) Iowa State        | 1966    |
| Flatley, Paul (e) Northwestern          | 1963-67 |
| Franchhauser, Tom (db) Purdue           | 1962-63 |
| Gallagher, Frank (g) North Carolina     | 1973    |
| Gault, Billy (db) TCU                   | 1961    |
| Gersbach, Carl (lb) West Chester        | 1971-72 |
| Gilliam, John (wr) South Carolina State | 1972-75 |
| Goodrich, Bob (e) Vanderbilt            | 1968    |
| Greeni, Dick (lb) Ohio                  | 1961    |

|                                     |         |                                      |         |
|-------------------------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Guilford, Larry (db) Pacific        | 1962    | Patton, Jerry (dt) Nebraska          | 1971    |
| Hackbart, Dale (db) Wisconsin       | 1966-70 | Perreault, Pete (g) Long Beach St    | 1971    |
| Haley, Dick (db) Pittsburgh         | 1961    | Pesonen, Dick (db) Minnesota-Duluth  | 1961    |
| Hall, Tom (wr) Minnesota            | 1964-66 | Peterson, Ken (c) Utah               | 1961    |
| Hansen, Don (lb) Illinois           | 1966-67 | Phillips, Jim (c) Auburn             | 1965-67 |
| Hargrove, Jim (lb) Howard Payne     | 1967-70 | Poage, Ray (c) Texas                 | 1963    |
| Harris, Bill (rb) Colorado          | 1969-70 | Politi, Randy (s) Stanford           | 1974    |
| Haslerig, Clint (wr) Michigan       | 1975    | Porter, Ron (lb) Idaho               | 1973    |
| Hawkins, Rip (lb) North Carolina    | 1961-65 | Powers, John (te) Notre Dame         | 1966    |
| Hayden, Leo (rb) Ohio State         | 1971    | Prestel, Jim (dt) Idaho              | 1961-65 |
| Hayes, Ray (rb) Central Oklahoma    | 1961    | Provost, Ted (db) Ohio State         | 1970    |
| Henderson, John (wr) Michigan       | 1968-72 | Pyle, Palmer (g) MSU                 | 1964    |
| Hill, Gary (db) USC                 | 1965    | Rabold, Mike (g) Indiana             | 1961-62 |
| Hill, King (p-qb) Rice              | 1968    | Randolph, Al (db) Iowa               | 1973    |
| Hilton, John (te) Richmond          | 1970    | Reed, Bob (rb) Pacific               | 1962-63 |
| Holland, John (wr) Tennessee State  | 1974    | Reed, Oscar (rb) Colorado State      | 1968-74 |
| Hultz, Don (de) So. Mississippi     | 1963    | Reichow, Jerry (c) Iowa              | 1961-64 |
| Huth, Gary (g) Wake Forest          | 1961-63 | Reilly, Mike (lb) Iowa               | 1969    |
| Jenke, Noel (lb) Minnesota          | 1971    | Rentzel, Lance (c) Oklahoma          | 1965-66 |
| Jobko, Bill (lb) OSU                | 1963-65 | Rose, George (db) Auburn             | 1964-66 |
| Johnson, Gene (db) Cincinnati       | 1961    | Rowland, Justin (db) TCU             | 1961    |
| Jones, Clinton (rb) Michigan State  | 1967-72 | Rubke, Karl (lb) USC                 | 1961    |
| Jordan, Jeff (db) Tulsa             | 1965-67 | Russ, Pat (dt) Purdue                | 1963    |
| Joyce, Don (de) Tulane              | 1961    | Schmidt, Roy (g) Long Beach State    | 1970    |
| Kapp, Joe (qb) California           | 1967-69 | Schmitz, Bob (lb) Montana            | 1966    |
| Kassulke, Karl (db) Drake           | 1963-72 | Schmelzer, Bob (c) Bowling Green     | 1961    |
| Keys, Brady (db) Colorado St        | 1967    | Sharockman, Ed (db) Pittsburgh       | 1962-72 |
| King, Phil (rb) Vanderbilt          | 1965-66 | Shaw, George (qb) Oregon             | 1961    |
| Kingsriter, Doug (te) Minnesota     | 1973-75 | Shaw, Glenn (rb) Kentucky            | 1961    |
| Kirby, John (lb) Nebraska           | 1964-68 | Shay, Jerry (dt) Purdue              | 1966-67 |
| Kosens, Terry (db) Hofstra          | 1963    | Sherman, Will (c) St. Mary's         | 1961    |
| Kramer, Kent (te) Minnesota         | 1969-70 | Shields, Lebron (de) Tennessee       | 1961    |
| Lacey, Bob (c) North Carolina       | 1964    | Simkus, Arnold (dt) Michigan         | 1966    |
| Lamson, Chuck (db) Wyoming          | 1962-63 | Simpson, Howard (t) Auburn           | 1964    |
| Lapham, Bill (c) Iowa               | 1961    | Smith, Gordon (te) Missouri          | 1961-65 |
| Larsen, Gary (dt) Concordia         | 1965-74 | Smith, Steve (de) Michigan           | 1968-70 |
| Lash, Jim (wr) Northwestern         | 1973-76 | Snead, Norm (qb) Wake Forest         | 1971    |
| Lawson, Steve (G) Kansas            | 1973-75 | Spencer, Willie (rb) no college      | 1976    |
| Leo, Jim (de) Cincinnati            | 1961-62 | Stein, Bob (lb) Minnesota            | 1975    |
| Lester, Darrell (rb) McNeese        | 1964    | Stonebreaker, Steve (lb) Detroit     | 1962-63 |
| Linden, Erroll (t) Houston          | 1962-65 | Sumner, Charley (db) William & Mary  | 1961-62 |
| Lindsey, Jim (rb) Arkansas          | 1966-72 | Sunde, Milt (g) Minnesota            | 1964-74 |
| Livingston, Cliff (lb) UCLA         | 1962    | Sutton, Archie (T) Illinois          | 1965-67 |
| Lurtsema, Bob (de) Western Michigan | 1972-76 | Swain, Bill (lb) Oregon              | 1964    |
| Mackbee, Earsell (db) Utah State    | 1965-69 | Tatman, Pete (rb) Nebraska           | 1967    |
| Marinano, Ed (rb) Cornell           | 1972-75 | Tilleman, Mike (dt) Montana          | 1966    |
| Marshall, Larry (rs) Maryland       | 1974    | Tobey, Dave (lb) Oregon              | 1966    |
| Martin, Billy (te) Georgia Tech     | 1968    | Triplett, Mel (rb) Toledo            | 1961-62 |
| Mason, Tommy (rb) Tulane            | 1961-66 | VanderKelen, Ron (qb) Wisconsin      | 1963-67 |
| Maurer, Andy (g) Oregon             | 1974-75 | Vargo, Larry (db) Detroit            | 1964-65 |
| Mayberry, Doug (rb) Utah State      | 1961-62 | Vellone, Jim (g) USC                 | 1966-70 |
| McCormick, John (qb) Massachusetts  | 1962    | Walden, Bobby (p) Georgia            | 1964-67 |
| McCullum, Sam (wr) Montana State    | 1974-75 | Wallace, Jackie (cb) Arizona         | 1973-74 |
| McElhenny, Hugh (rb) Washington     | 1961-62 | Ward, John (g-c) Oklahoma State      | 1970-74 |
| McGill, Mike (lb) Notre Dame        | 1968-70 | Warwick, Lonnie (lb) Tennessee Tech  | 1965-72 |
| McKeever, Marlin (te) USC           | 1967    | Washington, Gene (wr) Michigan State | 1967-72 |
| McNeil, Tom (p) Stephen F. Austin   | 1970    | Wells, Mike (qb) Illinois            | 1973-74 |
| McWatters, Bill (rb) North Texas    | 1964    | West, Charlie (db) Texas El Paso     | 1968-73 |
| Mercer, Mike (k) Arizona State      | 1961    | Williams, A.D. (c) Pacific           | 1961    |
| Meylan, Wayne (lb) Nebraska         | 1970    | Williams, Jeff (rb) Oklahoma St      | 1966    |
| Michel, Tom (rb) East Carolina      | 1964    | Wilson, Tom (rb) No College          | 1963    |
| Middleton, Dave (c) Auburn          | 1961    | Winfrey, Carl (lb) Wisconsin         | 1971    |
| Morris, Jack (db) Oregon            | 1961    | Winston, Roy (lb) Louisiana State    | 1962-76 |
| Mostardi, Rich (db) Kent State      | 1961    | Young, Jim (rb) Queens Ontario       | 1965-66 |
| Murphy, Fred (c) Georgia Tech       | 1961    | Yousou, Frank (t) Minnesota          | 1961-62 |
| O'Brien, Dave (g) Boston College    | 1963-64 | Zaunbrecher, Godfrey (c) LSU         | 1971-73 |
| Osborne, Clancy (lb) Arizona State  | 1961-62 |                                      |         |
| Osborn, Dave (rb) North Dakota      | 1965-75 |                                      |         |

# SUMMARY OF THE 1976 SEASON

## Minnesota 40, New Orleans 9 At New Orleans, Sept. 12

|             |       |    |    |   |   |   |    |
|-------------|-------|----|----|---|---|---|----|
| Minnesota   | ..... | 13 | 17 | 7 | 3 | — | 40 |
| New Orleans | ..... | 0  | 3  | 3 | 0 | — | 9  |

Minn — McClanahan 1-yd Run (Kick Failed)  
 Minn — Foreman 2-yd Run (Cox Kick)  
 N.O. — Szaro 45-yd Field Goal  
 Minn — McClanahan 5-yd Run (Cox Kick)  
 Minn — Cox 24-yd Field Goal  
 Minn — S. White 47-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)  
 Minn — Foreman 6-yd Run (Cox Kick)  
 N.O. — Galbreath 1-yd Run (Kick Blocked)  
 Minn — Cox 35-yd Field Goal

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                       | Minn   | N.O.   |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|
| First Downs           | 28     | 9      |
| Net Yards Gained      | 449    | 132    |
| Net Yards Rushing     | 173    | 50     |
| Net Yards Passing     | 276    | 82     |
| Passes                | 22-36  | 10-26  |
| Passes Intercepted by | 0      | 0      |
| Punts, Average        | 5-45.4 | 8-40.1 |
| Fumbles, Fumbles Lost | 1-1    | 4-3    |
| Penalties, Yards      | 5-36   | 3-36   |

### RUSHING

Minn — Miller 11 for 57; Foreman 14 for 53, 2 TDs; McClanahan 13 for 26, 2 TDs; Kellar 7 for 25; Tarkenton 1 for 6; S. White 1 for 6.  
 N.O. — Strachan 6 for 19; Galbreath 5 for 15, 1 TD; Maxson 4 for 14; Jones 1 for 2.

### PASSING

Minn — Tarkenton 15 of 23 for 221, 1 TD, 0 Int; Lee 7 of 13 for 90, 0 TD, 0 Int.  
 N.O. — Scott 10 of 26 for 109, 0 TD, 0 Int.

### RECEIVING

Minn — Foreman 7 for 106; McClanahan 4 for 34; S. White 3 for 71, 1 TD; Lash 3 for 48; Kellar 2 for 22; Miller 1 for 19; Voigt 1 for 8; Craig 1 for 3.  
 N.O. — Hermann 5 for 76; Maxson 2 for 0; Seal 1 for 15; Galbreath 1 for 13; Childs 1 for 5.

## Minnesota 10, Los Angeles 10 At Met Stadium, Sept. 19

|             |       |   |   |   |    |   |   |    |
|-------------|-------|---|---|---|----|---|---|----|
| Los Angeles | ..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 | — | 10 |
| Minnesota   | ..... | 0 | 3 | 0 | 7  | 0 | — | 10 |

Minn — Cox 33-yd Field Goal  
 Minn — S. White 56-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)

L.A. — Dempsey 42-yd Field Goal  
 L.A. — Bertelsen 1-yd Run (Dempsey Kick)

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                       | Minn   | L.A.   |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|
| First Downs           | 20     | 25     |
| Net Yards Gained      | 363    | 394    |
| Net Yards Rushing     | 74     | 261    |
| Net Yards Passing     | 289    | 133    |
| Passes                | 27-43  | 11-22  |
| Passes Intercepted by | 2      | 2      |
| Punts, Average        | 7-32.7 | 5-39.2 |
| Fumbles, Fumbles Lost | 2-1    | 1-1    |
| Penalties, Yards      | 5-41   | 5-55   |

### RUSHING

Minn — Foreman 11 for 31; McClanahan 12 for 28; Tarkenton 2 for 19; S. White 1 for -4.  
 L.A. — Cappelletti 28 for 128; McCutcheon 29 for 110; Haden 6 for 15; Bertelsen 2 for 8, 1 TD.

### PASSING

Minn — Tarkenton 27 of 43 for 294, 1 TD, 2 Int.  
 L.A. — Haden 11 of 22 for 136, 0 TD, 2 Int.

### RECEIVING

Minn — S. White 9 for 139, 1 TD; Foreman 6 for 31; McClanahan 5 for 51; Voigt 3 for 49; Rashad 3 for 20; Lash 1 for 4.  
 L.A. — Jessie 4 for 57; McCutcheon 3 for 35; Jackson 2 for 29; Cappelletti 2 for 15.

## Minnesota 10, Detroit 9 At Detroit, Sept. 26

|           |       |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|-----------|-------|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Minnesota | ..... | 0 | 0 | 3 | 7 | — | 10 |
| Detroit   | ..... | 0 | 0 | 3 | 6 | — | 9  |

Minn — Cox 49-yd Field Goal  
 Det — Mann 49-yd Field Goal  
 Minn — Foreman 5-yd Run (Cox Kick)  
 Det — Sanders 1-yd Pass from Landry (Kick Blocked)

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                       | Minn    | Det    |
|-----------------------|---------|--------|
| First Downs           | 10      | 14     |
| Net Yards Gained      | 168     | 251    |
| Net Yards Rushing     | 116     | 101    |
| Net Yards Passing     | 52      | 150    |
| Passes                | 10-20   | 13-24  |
| Passes Intercepted by | 0       | 0      |
| Punts, Average        | 10-40.9 | 7-39.7 |
| Fumbles, Fumbles Lost | 1-0     | 3-2    |
| Penalties, Yards      | 6-36    | 5-39   |

### RUSHING

Minn — Foreman 25 for 94, 1 TD; McClanahan 10 for 22.

Det — King 12 for 57; Gaines 8 for 28; Bussey 9 for 13; Landry 4 for 3.

### PASSING

Minn — Tarkenton 7 of 16 for 47, 0 TD, 0 Int; Lee 3 of 4 for 25, 0 TD, 0 Int.

Det — Landry 13 of 24 for 198, 1 TD, 0 Int.

### RECEIVING

Minn — Foreman 3 for 14; Rashad 2 for 35; Voigt 2 for 12; McClanahan 2 for 10; S. White 1 for 1.

Det — Sanders 4 for 64, 1 TD; Jarvis 3 for 49; B. Thompson 2 for 43; Bussey 2 for 17; King 1 for 18; Walton 1 for 7.

### Minnesota 17, Pittsburgh 6 At Met Stadium, Oct. 4

Pittsburgh ..... 6 0 0 0-6  
Minnesota ..... 0 7 0 10-17

Pitt — Cunningham 1-yd Pass from Bradshaw (Kick Blocked)

Minn — Foreman 8-yd Run (Cox Kick)

Minn — Foreman 4-yd Run (Cox Kick)

Minn — Cox 43-yd Field Goal

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                             | Minn   | Pitt   |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|
| First Downs .....           | 11     | 12     |
| Net Yards Gained .....      | 176    | 225    |
| Net Yards Rushing .....     | 150    | 173    |
| Net Yards Passing .....     | 26     | 52     |
| Passes .....                | 4-11   | 10-22  |
| Passes Intercepted by ..... | 4      | 2      |
| Punts, Average .....        | 5-37.6 | 3-35.0 |
| Fumbles, Fumbles Lost ..    | 2-2    | 4-2    |
| Penalties, Yards .....      | 4-33   | 7-64   |

### RUSHING

Minn — Foreman 27 for 148, 2 TDs; Miller 4 for 6; Lee 2 for 0; McClanahan 7 for -4.

Pitt — Bleier 16 for 85; Bradshaw 5 for 47; Harris 17 for 34; Walden 2 for 7.

### PASSING

Minn — Lee 4 of 11 for 41; 0 TD, 2 Int.

Pitt — Bradshaw 10 of 22 for 90, 1 TD, 4 Int.

### RECEIVING

Minn — S. White 2 for 23; Rashad 1 for 13; Miller 1 for 5.

Pitt — Harris 4 for 38; Swann 2 for 29; Cunningham 2 for 14, 1 TD; Bleier 2 for 9.

### Minnesota 20, Chicago 19 At Met Stadium, Oct. 10

Chicago ..... 0 0 13 6-19  
Minnesota ..... 7 10 0 3-20

Minn — Foreman 5-yd Run (Cox Kick)

Minn — Cox 29-yd Field Goal

Minn — Foreman 1-yd Run (Cox Kick)

Chi — Payton 13-yd Run (Thomas Kick)

Chi — Payton 11-yd Run (Kick Blocked)

Minn — Cox 39-yd Field Goal

Chi — Harper 7-yd Run (Kick Failed)

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                             | Minn   | Chi    |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|
| First Downs .....           | 16     | 19     |
| Net Yards Gained .....      | 287    | 329    |
| Net Yards Rushing .....     | 111    | 235    |
| Net Yards Passing .....     | 176    | 94     |
| Passes .....                | 18-30  | 13-20  |
| Passes Intercepted by ..... | 1      | 0      |
| Punts, Average .....        | 8-30.8 | 7-22.1 |
| Fumbles, Fumbles Lost ..    | 3-2    | 3-1    |
| Penalties, Yards .....      | 7-67   | 11-90  |

### RUSHING

Minn — Foreman 23 for 63, 2 TDs; McClanahan 12 for 52; Tarkenton 5 for -4.

Chi — Payton 19 for 141, 2 TDs; Harper 16 for 93, 1 TD; Musso 1 for 2; Adamle 4 for -1.

### PASSING

Minn — Tarkenton 18 of 30 for 210, 0 TD, 0 Int.

Chi — Avellini 13 of 20 for 116, 0 TD, 1 Int.

### RECEIVING

Minn — Rashad 7 for 109; McClanahan 6 for 36; S. White 5 for 65.

Chi — Scott 4 for 44; Payton 4 for 42; Latta 3 for 17; Rather 2 for 13.

### Minnesota 24, New York Giants 7 At Met Stadium, Oct 17

New York Giants 0 7 0 0-7  
Minnesota ..... 10 7 0 7-24

Minn — Cox 23-yd Field Goal

Minn — Allen 28-yd Blocked Punt Return (Cox Kick)

N.Y. — Kotar 3-yd Run (Danelo Kick)

Minn — Foreman 41-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)

Minn — McClanahan 3-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                        | Minn | NYG |
|------------------------|------|-----|
| First Downs .....      | 23   | 12  |
| Net Yards Gained ..... | 361  | 209 |



|                             |        |        |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|
| Net Yards Rushing .....     | 109    | 87     |
| Net Yards Passing .....     | 252    | 122    |
| Passes .....                | 21-30  | 15-24  |
| Passes Intercepted by ..... | 2      | 1      |
| Punts, Average .....        | 3-33.7 | 5-35.5 |
| Fumbles, Fumbles Lost ..    | 4-2    | 2-1    |
| Penalties, Yards .....      | 7-37   | 3-35   |

### RUSHING

Minn — Foreman 23 for 83; McClanahan 11 for 33; Spencer 4 for 2; Miller 1 for 1; S. White 1 for 10.

NYG — Csonka 12 for 45; Kotar 13 for 37, 1 TD, M. White 1 for 4; Bell 1 for 1; Snead 1 for 0.

### PASSING

Minn — Tarkenton 21 of 30 for 288, 2 TDs, 1 Int.

NYG — Snead 15 of 24 for 149, 0 TD, 2 Int.

### RECEIVING

Minn — Foreman 8 for 118, 1 TD; Voigt 5 for 51; S. White 3 for 61; McClanahan 3 for 27, 1 TD, Rashad 2 for 31.

NYG — Rhodes 5 for 90; Kotar 5 for 24; Robinson 3 for 20; Tucker 1 for 11; Csonka 1 for 4.

### Minnesota 31, Philadelphia 12 At Philadelphia, Oct 24

|                    |   |   |    |       |
|--------------------|---|---|----|-------|
| Minnesota .....    | 0 | 7 | 10 | 14-31 |
| Philadelphia ..... | 0 | 9 | 0  | 3-12  |

Phil — Muhlmann 19-yd Field Goal

Phil — Carmichael 3-yd Pass from Boryla (Kick Blocked)

Minn — Rashad 5-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)

Minn — Cox 32-yd Field Goal

Minn — S. White 35-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)

Phil — Muhlmann 21-yd Field Goal

Minn — Foreman 32-yd Run (Cox Kick)

Minn — Foreman 2-yd Run (Cox Kick)

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                             | Minn   | Phil   |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|
| First Downs .....           | 27     | 17     |
| Net Yards Gained .....      | 491    | 282    |
| Net Yards Rushing .....     | 242    | 161    |
| Net Yards Passing .....     | 249    | 121    |
| Passes .....                | 23-33  | 11-25  |
| Passes Intercepted by ..... | 0      | 1      |
| Punts, Average .....        | 2-36.0 | 5-33.8 |
| Fumbles, Fumbles Lost ..    | 2-1    | 0-0    |
| Penalties, Yards .....      | 8-60   | 6-45   |

### RUSHING

Minn — Foreman 28 for 200, 2 TDs;

McClanahan 10 for 40; S. White 1 for -8; Tarkenton 3 for 6; Miller 1 for 4.

Phil — Sullivan 14 for 64; Boryla 6 for 60; McAlister 11 for 37.

### PASSING

Minn — Tarkenton 23 of 33 for 249, 2 TDs, 1 Int.

Phil — Boryla 11 of 25 for 142, 1 TD, 0 Int.

### RECEIVING

Minn — Rashad 6 for 66, 1 TD; Foreman 6 for 65; McClanahan 6 for 36; S. White 2 for 59, 1 TD; Voigt 2 for 14; Miller 1 for 9.

Phil — Sullivan 3 for 48; Young 3 for 39; Carmichael 3 for 16, 1 TD; McAlister 2 for 39.

### Chicago 14, Minnesota 13 At Chicago, Oct. 31

|                 |   |   |   |      |
|-----------------|---|---|---|------|
| Minnesota ..... | 0 | 3 | 3 | 7-13 |
| Chicago .....   | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7-14 |

Chi — Payton 39-yd Run (Thomas Kick)

Minn — Cox 24-yd Field Goal

Minn — Cox 24-yd Field Goal

Chi — Musso 3-yd Run (Thomas Kick)

Minn — Tarkenton 2-yd Run (Cox Kick)

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                             | Minn   | Chi    |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|
| First Downs .....           | 23     | 7      |
| Net Yards Gained .....      | 354    | 173    |
| Net Yards Rushing .....     | 106    | 135    |
| Net Yards Passing .....     | 248    | 38     |
| Passes .....                | 24-46  | 4-13   |
| Passes Intercepted by ..... | 0      | 2      |
| Punts, Average .....        | 7-28.3 | 8-35.4 |
| Fumbles, Fumbles Lost ..    | 1-0    | 4-1    |
| Penalties, Yards .....      | 5-47   | 8-66   |

### RUSHING

Minn — McClanahan 17 for 60; Foreman 17 for 35; Miller 2 for 6; Tarkenton 2 for 5, 1 TD.

Chi — Payton 15 for 67, 1 TD; Harper 6 for 31; Musso 8 for 29, 1 TD; Adamle 3 for 8; Avellini 1 for 0.

### PASSING

Minn — Tarkenton 24 of 46 for 272, 0 TD, 2 Int.

Chi — Avellini 3 of 12 for 34, 0 TD, 0 Int; Parsons 1 of 1 for 25, 0 TD, 0 Int.

### RECEIVING

Minn — Foreman 8 for 72; McClanahan 4 for 23; Voigt 3 for 77; Grim 3 for 36; Miller 3 for 23; S. White 2 for 28; Craig 1 for 13.

Chi — Scott 2 for 40; Schubert 1 for 25; Harper 1 for -6.

**Minnesota 31, Detroit 23**  
**At Met Stadium, Nov 7**

|           |   |   |   |       |
|-----------|---|---|---|-------|
| Detroit   | 3 | 6 | 7 | 7-23  |
| Minnesota | 7 | 3 | 7 | 14-31 |

Det — Ricardo 22-yd Field Goal  
Minn — S. White 24-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)  
Det — Gaines 1-yd Run (Kick Blocked)  
Minn — Cox 39-yd Field Goal  
Minn — Foreman 2-yd Run (Cox Kick)  
Det — Gaines 1-yd Run (Ricardo Kick)  
Minn — Foreman 1-yd Run (Cox Kick)  
Det — Walton 26-yd Pass from Landry (Ricardo Kick)  
Minn — S. White 37-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)

**TEAM STATISTICS**

|                       | <b>Minn</b> | <b>Det</b> |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|
| First Downs           | 19          | 26         |
| Net Yards Gained      | 430         | 399        |
| Net Yards Rushing     | 83          | 208        |
| Net Yards Passing     | 347         | 191        |
| Passes                | 17-25       | 19-27      |
| Passes Intercepted by | 0           | 1          |
| Punts, Average        | 0-0         | 3-31.7     |
| Fumbles, Fumbles Lost | 5-3         | 1-1        |
| Penalties, Yards      | 4-36        | 7-56       |

**RUSHING**

Minn — Foreman 19 for 51, 2 TDs; Miller 10 for 30; Johnson 2 for 3; Tarkenton 3 for -1.  
Det — Gaines 22 for 116, 2 TDs; Landry 8 for 54; Bussey 9 for 38.

**PASSING**

Minn — Tarkenton 17 of 25 for 347, 2 TDs, 1 Int.  
Det — Landry 18 of 26 for 199, 1 TD, 0 Int; Weaver 1 of 1 for 14, 0 TD, 0 Int.

**RECEIVING**

Minn — S. White 7 for 210, 2 TDs; Rashad 6 for 85; Foreman 2 for 22; Voigt 1 for 15; Miller 1 for 15.  
Det — Gaines 6 for 44; Bussey 4 for 20; Jarvis 3 for 65; Sanders 3 for 47; Walton 2 for 27, 1 TD; Thompson 1 for 10.

**Minnesota 27, Seattle 21**  
**At Met Stadium, Nov. 14**

|           |   |   |   |      |
|-----------|---|---|---|------|
| Seattle   | 7 | 0 | 7 | 7-21 |
| Minnesota | 7 | 7 | 6 | 7-27 |

Minn — McClanahan 1-yd Run (Cox Kick)  
Sea — Zorn 12-yd Run (Leypoldt Kick)  
Minn — S. White 29-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)

Sea — Raible 80-yd Pass from Zorn (Leypoldt Kick)

Minn — Cox 43-yd Field Goal  
Minn — Cox 39-yd Field Goal  
Sea — McCullum 7-yd Pass from Zorn (Leypoldt Kick)  
Minn — Voigt 5-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)

**TEAM STATISTICS**

|                       | <b>Minn</b> | <b>Sea</b> |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|
| First Downs           | 29          | 15         |
| Net Yards Gained      | 424         | 386        |
| Net Yards Rushing     | 180         | 108        |
| Net Yards Passing     | 244         | 278        |
| Passes                | 26-31       | 17-29      |
| Passes Intercepted by | 3           | 0          |
| Punts, Average        | 3-28.3      | 1-47.0     |
| Fumbles, Fumbles Lost | 1-0         | 1-1        |
| Penalties, Yards      | 6-46        | 3-29       |

**RUSHING**

Minn — Foreman 17 for 100; Miller 12 for 42; McClanahan 8 for 23, 1 TD; Tarkenton 5 for 9, S. White 1 for 6.  
Sea — Smith 17 for 62; Zorn 2 for 22, 1 TD; Testerman 2 for 19; McKinnis 1 for 4, Largent 1 for 1.

**PASSING**

Minn — Tarkenton 26 of 31 for 274, 2 TDs, 0 Int.  
Sea — Zorn 17 of 29 for 278, 2 TDs, 3 Int.

**RECEIVING**

Minn — Rashad 9 for 93; Foreman 5 for 61; S. White 4 for 85, 1 TD; McClanahan 4 for 4; Voigt 2 for 9, 1 TD; Craig 1 for 17; Miller 1 for 5.  
Sea — Testerman 5 for 47; Raible 3 for 112, 1 TD; McCullum 3 for 69, 1 TD; Howard 3 for 24; Largent 2 for 0; Smith 1 for 26.

**Minnesota 17, Green Bay 10**  
**At Milwaukee, Nov. 21**

|           |   |   |   |      |
|-----------|---|---|---|------|
| Minnesota | 3 | 7 | 0 | 7-17 |
| Green Bay | 3 | 0 | 7 | 0-10 |

G.B. — Marcol 23-yd Field Goal  
Minn — Cox 41-yd Field Goal  
Minn — Miller 4-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)  
G.B. — Brockington 1-yd Run (Marcol Kick)  
Minn — Rashad 11-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)

**TEAM STATISTICS**

|                  | <b>Minn</b> | <b>G.B.</b> |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|
| First Downs      | 17          | 13          |
| Net Yards Gained | 251         | 228         |

|                             |        |        |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|
| Net Yards Rushing .....     | 100    | 146    |
| Net Yards Passing .....     | 151    | 82     |
| Passes .....                | 23-43  | 12-27  |
| Passes Intercepted by ..... | 4      | 0      |
| Punts, Average .....        | 7-39.3 | 7-29.9 |
| Fumbles, Fumbles Lost ..    | 4-2    | 0-0    |
| Penalties, Yards .....      | 2-25   | 4-25   |

### RUSHING

Minn — Foreman 19 for 84; Johnson 1 for 7; Miller 2 for 5; McClanahan 3 for 4; Tarkenton 5 for 0.

G.B. — Brockington 13 for 51, 1 TD; Harrell 8 for 42; Torkelson 10 for 36; Brown 5 for 11; Osborn 2 for 6.

### PASSING

Minn — Tarkenton 23 of 43 for 180; 2 TDs, 0 Int.

G.B. — Brown 11 of 25 for 82, 0 TD, 3 Int; Beverly 1 of 1 for 18, 0 TD, 0 Int; Harrell 0 of 1 for 0, 0 TD, 0 Int.

### RECEIVING

Minn — Miller 9 for 63, 1 TD; Foreman 5 for 39; Voigt 4 for 28; Rashad 3 for 37, 1 TD; S. White 1 for 7; McClanahan 1 for 6.

### San Francisco 20, Minnesota 16 At San Francisco, Nov. 29

|                     |   |    |   |      |
|---------------------|---|----|---|------|
| Minnesota .....     | 0 | 13 | 3 | 0-16 |
| San Francisco ..... | 7 | 10 | 0 | 3-20 |

S.F. — Jackson 2-yd Run (Mike-Mayer Kick)  
S.F. — Mike-Mayer 45-yd Field Goal

Minn — S. White 18-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)

Minn — Rashad 8-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Kick Blocked)

S.F. — Bull 1-yd Run (Mike-Mayer Kick)

Minn — Cox 37-yd Field Goal

S.F. — Mike-Mayer 38-yd Field Goal

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                             | Minn   | S.F.   |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|
| First Downs .....           | 16     | 17     |
| Net Yards Gained .....      | 282    | 331    |
| Net Yards Rushing .....     | 113    | 317    |
| Net Yards Passing .....     | 169    | 14     |
| Passes .....                | 16-37  | 3-8    |
| Passes Intercepted by ..... | 1      | 0      |
| Punts, Average .....        | 7-42.3 | 6-36.5 |
| Fumbles, Fumbles Lost ..    | 1-0    | 0-0    |
| Penalties, Yards .....      | 8-78   | 9-73   |

### RUSHING

Minn — Foreman 23 for 93; McClanahan 5 for 16; Miller 2 for 4.

S.F. — Jackson 30 for 156, 1 TD; Williams 20 for 153; Bull 2 for 7, 1 TD; Hofer 2 for 1.

### PASSING

Minn — Tarkenton 16 of 37 for 200, 2 TDs, 0 Int.

S.F. — Bull 3 of 8 for 32, 0 TD, 1 Int.

### RECEIVING

Minn — Rashad 6 for 103, 1 TD; Foreman 3 for 23; Grim 2 for 39; Voigt 2 for 11; S. White 1 for 18, 1 TD; Miller 1 for 5; McClanahan 1 for 1.

S.F. — Washington 1 for 16; Lash 1 for 10; Williams 1 for 6.

### Minnesota 20, Green Bay 9 At Met Stadium, Dec. 5

|                 |   |   |   |       |
|-----------------|---|---|---|-------|
| Green Bay ..... | 6 | 0 | 0 | 3-9   |
| Minnesota ..... | 0 | 3 | 3 | 14-20 |

G.B. — O. Smith 12-yd Pass from Brown (Kick Failed)

Minn — Cox 34-yd Field Goal

Minn — Cox 30-yd Field Goal

Minn — Foreman 1-yd Run (Cox Kick)

G.B. — Marcol 24-yd Field Goal

Minn — Foreman 1-yd Run (Cox Kick)

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                             | Minn   | G.B.   |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|
| First Downs .....           | 29     | 8      |
| Net Yards Gained .....      | 414    | 144    |
| Net Yards Rushing .....     | 218    | 59     |
| Net Yards Passing .....     | 196    | 85     |
| Passes .....                | 23-32  | 8-26   |
| Passes Intercepted by ..... | 0      | 1      |
| Punts, Average .....        | 4-31.8 | 8-41.3 |
| Fumbles, Fumbles Lost ..    | 3-2    | 0-0    |
| Penalties, Yards .....      | 7-56   | 3-30   |

### RUSHING

Minn — Miller 13 for 95; Johnson 6 for 43; Foreman 18 for 42, 2 TDs; McClanahan 11 for 38.

G.B. — Brockington 7 for 27; Torkelson 5 for 18; Harrell 7 for 9; Brown 2 for 5.

### PASSING

Minn — Tarkenton 23 of 32 for 196, 0 TD, 1 Int.

G.B. — Brown 7 of 24 for 93, 1 TD, 0 Int; R. Johnson 1 of 2 for 20, 0 TD, 0 Int.

### RECEIVING

Minn — Rashad 6 for 61; Miller 5 for 37; Grim 4 for 33; Johnson 2 for 22; S. White 2 for 19; McClanahan 2 for 11; Foreman 1 for 8; Voigt 1 for 4.

G.B. — O. Smith 4 for 47, 1 TD; McGeorge 3 for 46; Payne 1 for 20.

**Minnesota 29, Miami 7**  
**At Miami, Dec. 11**

|           |   |    |    |      |
|-----------|---|----|----|------|
| Minnesota | 0 | 15 | 14 | 0-29 |
| Miami     | 0 | 0  | 0  | 7-7  |

Minn — S. White 9-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Kick Failed)

Minn — S. White 36-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Kick Failed)

Minn — Cox 30-yd Field Goal

Minn — McClanahan 1-yd Run (Cox Kick)

Minn — S. White 7-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)

Mia — Winfrey 2-yd Pass from Strock (Yepremian Kick)

**TEAM STATISTICS**

|                       | <b>Minn</b> | <b>Mia</b> |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|
| First Downs           | 26          | 13         |
| Net Yards Gained      | 407         | 188        |
| Net Yards Rushing     | 226         | 55         |
| Net Yards Passing     | 181         | 133        |
| Passes                | 16-25       | 12-30      |
| Passes Intercepted by | 2           | 0          |
| Punts, Average        | 1-39.0      | 5-41.8     |
| Fumbles, Fumbles Lost | 4-4         | 1-0        |
| Penalties, Yards      | 3-17        | 2-10       |

**RUSHING**

Minn — Foreman 14 for 78; Johnson 8 for 45; McClanahan 11 for 44, 1 TD; Miller 9 for 36; Groce 3 for 18.

Mia — Davis 15 for 20; Winfrey 5 for 17; Strock 1 for 11; Nottingham 4 for 4; Seiple 1 for 3.

**PASSING**

Minn — Tarkenton 15 for 23 for 184, 3 TDs, 0 Int; Lee 1 of 2 for 0, 0 TD, 0 Int.

Mia — Strock 9 for 19 for 132, 1 TD, 1 Int; Griese 3 of 11 for 30, 0 TD, 1 Int.

**RECEIVING**

Minn — S. White 9 for 120, 3 TDs; Voigt 2 for 25; Rashad 2 for 18; McClanahan 2 for 13; Foreman 1 for 8.

Mia — Solomon 5 for 62; McCreary 2 for 51; Mandich 2 for 21; Seiple 1 for 23; Harris 1 for 3; Winfrey 1 for 2, 1 TD.

**Minnesota 35, Washington 20**  
**At Met Stadium, Dec. 18**  
**(NFC PLAYOFF)**

|            |    |   |    |       |
|------------|----|---|----|-------|
| Washington | 3  | 0 | 3  | 14-20 |
| Minnesota  | 14 | 7 | 14 | 0-35  |

Minn — Voigt 18-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)

Wash — Moseley 47-yd Field Goal

Minn — S. White 27-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)

Minn — Foreman 2-yd Run (Cox Kick)

Minn — Foreman 30-yd Run (Cox Kick)

Wash — Moseley 35-yd Field Goal

Minn — S. White 9-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)

Wash — Grand 12-yd Pass from Kilmer (Moseley Kick)

Wash — Jefferson 3-yd Pass from Kilmer (Moseley Kick)

**TEAM STATISTICS**

|                       | <b>Minn</b> | <b>Wash</b> |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| First Downs           | 21          | 19          |
| Net Yards Gained      | 384         | 265         |
| Net Yards Rushing     | 221         | 75          |
| Net Yards Passing     | 163         | 290         |
| Passes                | 12-22       | 26-49       |
| Passes Intercepted by | 2           | 2           |
| Punts, Average        | 6-46.0      | 6-32.8      |
| Fumbles, Fumbles Lost | 2-0         | 0-0         |
| Penalties, Yards      | 5-30        | 7-57        |

**RUSHING**

Minn — Foreman 20 for 105, 2 TDs; McClanahan 20 for 101; Johnson 2 for 11; Tarkenton 1 for 3; Miller 2 for 1; Lee 1 for 0.

Wash — Thomas 11 for 45; Riggins 7 for 30.

**PASSING**

Minn — Tarkenton 12 of 21 for 170, 3 TDs, 2 Int; Lee 0 of 1 for 0, 0 TD, 0 Int.

Wash — Kilmer 26 for 49 for 298, 2 TDs, 2 Int.

**RECEIVING**

Minn — S. White 4 for 64, 2 TDs; Voigt 4 for 42, 1 TD; McClanahan 3 for 29; Rashad 1 for 35.

Wash — Grant 6 for 70, 1 TD; Fugett 4 for 61; Jefferson 4 for 59, 1 TD; Hill 4 for 31; Riggins 4 for 29; Thomas 2 for 18; Smith 1 for 30; L. Brown 1 for 0.

**Minnesota 24, Los Angeles 13**  
**At Met Stadium, Dec. 26**  
**(NFC CHAMPIONSHIP)**

|             |   |   |    |      |
|-------------|---|---|----|------|
| Los Angeles | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0-13 |
| Minnesota   | 7 | 3 | 7  | 7-24 |

Minn — Bryant 90-yd Blocked Field Goal Return (Cox Kick)

Minn — Cox 25-yd Field Goal

Minn — Foreman 1-yd Run (Cox Kick)

L.A. — McCutcheon 10-yd Run (Kick Failed)

L.A. — H. Jackson 5-yd Pass from Haden (Dempsey Kick)

Minn — Johnson 12-yd Run (Cox Kick)

## TEAM STATISTICS

|                            | Minn   | L.A.   |
|----------------------------|--------|--------|
| First Downs .....          | 13     | 21     |
| Net Yards Gained .....     | 267    | 336    |
| Net Yards Rushing .....    | 158    | 193    |
| Net Yards Passing .....    | 109    | 143    |
| Passes .....               | 12-27  | 9-22   |
| Passes Intercepted by .... | 2      | 1      |
| Punts, Average .....       | 8-35.1 | 6-34.3 |
| Fumbles, Fumbles Lost ..   | 1-1    | 4-2    |
| Penalties, Yards .....     | 4-32   | 3-33   |

### RUSHING

Minn — Foreman 15 for 118, 1 TD; Miller 10 for 28; Johnson 2 for 12, 1 TD; McClanahan 1 for 2; Tarkenton 1 for -2.

Wash — McCutcheon 26 for 128, 1 TD; Cappelletti 16 for 59; Haden 3 for 3; Jessie 1 for 3.

### PASSING

Minn — Tarkenton 12 of 27 for 143, 0 TD, 1 Int.

L.A. — Haden 9 for 22 for 161, 1 TD, 2 Int.

### RECEIVING

Minn — Foreman 5 for 81; Rashad 3 for 28; Miller 3 for 24; Grim 1 for 10.

L.A. — H. Jackson 4 for 7&, 1 TD; Jessie 2 for 60; McCutcheon 2 for 18; Cappelletti 1 for 13.

## Oakland 32, Minnesota 14 At Rose Bowl, Pasadena (SUPER BOWL XI)

|                                                 |   |    |   |       |
|-------------------------------------------------|---|----|---|-------|
| Oakland .....                                   | 0 | 16 | 3 | 13-32 |
| Minnesota .....                                 | 0 | 0  | 7 | 7-14  |
| Oak — Man 24-yd Field Goal                      |   |    |   |       |
| Oak — Casper 1-yd Pass from Stabler (Mann Kick) |   |    |   |       |

Oak — Banaszak 1-yd Run (Kick Failed)  
Oak — Mann 40-yd Field Goal  
Minn — S. White 8-yd Pass from Tarkenton (Cox Kick)  
Oak — Banaszak 2-yd Run (Mann Kick)  
Oak — W. Brown 75-yd Interception Return (Kick Failed)  
Minn — Voigt 13-yd Pass from Lee —Cox Kick)

## TEAM STATISTICS

|                            | Minn   | Oak    |
|----------------------------|--------|--------|
| First Downs .....          | 20     | 21     |
| Net Yards Gained .....     | 353    | 429    |
| Net Yards Rushing .....    | 71     | 266    |
| Net Yards Passing .....    | 282    | 163    |
| Passes .....               | 24-44  | 12-19  |
| Passes Intercepted by .... | 0      | 2      |
| Punts, Average .....       | 7-37.9 | 5-32.4 |
| Fumbles, Fumbles Lost ..   | 1-1    | 0-0    |
| Penalties, Yards .....     | 2-25   | 4-30   |

### RUSHING

Minn — Foreman 17 for 44; Johnson 2 for 9; S. White 1 for 7; Miller 2 for 4; Lee 1 for 4; McClanahan 3 for 3.

Oak — Davis 16 for 137; Van Eeghen 18 for 73; Banaszak 10 for 19, 2 TDs; Garrett 4 for 19; Ginn 2 for 9; Rae 2 for 9.

### PASSING

Minn — Tarkenton 17 of 35 for 205, 1 TD, 2 Int; Lee 7 of 9 for 81, 1 TD, 0 Int.

Oak — Stabler 12 of 19 for 180, 1 TD, 0 Int.

### RECEIVING

Minn — S. White 5 for 77, 1 TD; Foreman 5 for 62; Voigt 4 for 49, 1 TD; Miller 4 for 19; Rashad 3 for 53; Johnson 3 for 26.

Oak — Biletnikoff 4 for 79; Casper 4 for 70, 1 TD; Branch 3 for 20; Garret 1 for 11.

## HONORS WON BY THE VIKINGS

### NFL-MVP

1971 — Alan Page, dt (AP)  
1975 — Francis Tarkenton, qb (AP, NEA, PFW, SN)

### ALL-PRO

1963 — Tommy Mason, hb (AP, UPI, NEA)  
1964 — Mick Tingelhoff, c (AP, UPI)  
1965 — Mick Tingelhoff, c (AP, UPI, NEA)  
1966 — Mick Tingelhoff, c (AP, UPI, NEA)  
1967 — Mick Tingelhoff, c (UPI)  
1968 — Mick Tingelhoff, c (AP, UPI, NEA); Carl Eller, de (AP, UPI, NEA)  
1969 — Mick Tingelhoff, c (AP, UPI, NEA);

Carl Eller, de (AP, UPI, NEA); Alan Page, dt (UPI)  
1970 — Alan Page, dt (AP, NEA, PFWA); Carl Eller, de (AP, NEA, PFWA); Mick Tingelhoff, c (PFWA)  
1971 — Alan Page, dt (AP, NEA, PFWA); Carl Eller, de (AP, NEA, PFWA); Ron Yary, t (AP, NEA, PFWA); Paul Krause, db (NEA)  
1972 — Ron Yary, t (AP)  
1973 — Carl Eller, de (PFWA, AP, NEA); John Gilliam, wr (NEA); Alan Page, dt (AP, PFWA); Francis Tarkenton, qb (NEA); Ron Yary, t (AP, PFWA, NEA)

- 1974 — Alan Page, dt (PFWA, NEA, AP, PFW); Ed White, g (NEA); Ron Yary, t (PFWA, NEA, AP, PFW)
- 1975 — Chuck Foreman, rb (AP, NEA, PFWA); Paul Krause, s (AP, PFWA); Alan Page, dt (AP, PFWA); Francis Tarkenton, qb (AP, NEA, PFWA); Ed White, g (NEA); Ron Yary, t (AP, NEA, PFWA)
- 1976 — Ron Yary, t (AP, NEA, PFWA); Chuck Foreman (NEA)

#### ALL-NFC

- 1970 — Mick Tingelhoff, c (AP); Carl Eller, de (AP, UPI); Alan Page, dt (AP, UPI); Paul Krause, s (UPI)
- 1971 — Carl Eller, de (AP, UPI, SN); Alan Page, dt (AP, UPI, SN); Ron Yary, t (AP, UPI, SN); Bob Grim, wr (UPI, SN); Paul Krause, db (UPI, SN)
- 1972 — Carl Eller, de (SN, AP); Paul Krause, db (UPI, AP, SN); Alan Page, dt (UPI, AP, SN); Francis Tarkenton, qb (UPI, SN); Ron Yary, t (UPI, AP, SN)
- 1973 — Carl Eller, de (PFWA, AP, UPI, SN); John Gilliam, wr (UPI, SN); Paul Krause, s (UPI, SN, AP, PFWA); Alan Page, dt (PFWA, AP, UPI, SN); Ron Yary, t (AP, PFWA, SN, UPI); Bobby Bryant, db (PFWA)
- 1974 — Chuck Foreman, rb (AP, UPI, SN, PFWA); Alan Page, dt (AP, UPI, SN, PFWA); Nate Wright, db (PFWA); Ron Yary, t (AP, UPI, SN, PFWA)
- 1975 — Carl Eller, de (AP, UPI); Chuck Foreman, rb (AP, UPI); Paul Krause, s (AP, UPI); Alan Page, dt (AP, UPI); Francis Tarkenton, qb (AP, UPI); Ed White, g (AP, UPI); Ron Yary, t (AP, UPI)
- 1976 — Sammy White, wr (UPI); Ron Yary, t (AP, UPI); Ed White, g (UPI); Fran Tarkenton, qb (UPI); Chuck Foreman, rb (AP, UPI); Alan Page, dt (AP, UPI)

#### ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

- (NFL) — 1963 Paul Flatley, wr (AP, UPI, NEA, SN); 1973 Chuck Foreman, rb (PFWA); 1976 Sammy White, wr (PFWA)
- (NFL Offense) — 1973 Chuck Foreman, rb (PFWA); 1976 Sammy White, wr (PFWA, AP)
- (NFC) — 1973 Chuck Foreman, rb (Wheaties); 1976 Sammy White, wr (UPI, SN, NEA)

#### NFL LINEMAN OF THE YEAR

- 1973 — Alan Page, dt (PFWA)

#### 1000 YARD CLUB (For the outstanding blocker in the NFL)

- 1969 — Mick Tingelhoff  
1975 — Ron Yary

#### PRO-BOWL PLAYERS

(Year designated is year in which game was played)

- 1962 — Hugh McElhenny, hb; Jerry Reichow, e; Norm Van Brocklin, coach; Harry Gilmer and Stan West, assistant coaches
- 1963 — Tommy Mason, hb
- 1964 — Tommy Mason, hb; Grady Alderman, t; Rip Hawkins, lb
- 1965 — Tommy Mason, hb; Grady Alderman, t; Mick Tingelhoff, c; Fran Tarkenton, qb; Bill Brown, rb
- 1966 — Grady Alderman, t; Bill Brown, fb; Fran Tarkenton, qb; Mick Tingelhoff, c
- 1967 — Paul Flatley, e; Grady Alderman, t; Milt Sunde, g; Mick Tingelhoff, c
- 1968 — Mick Tingelhoff, c; Grady Alderman, t; Bill Brown, fb
- 1969 — Mick Tingelhoff, c; Bill Brown, fb; Carl Eller, de; Jim Marshall, de; Alan Page, dt
- 1970 — Carl Eller, de; Joe Kapp, qb; Paul Krause, s; Gary Larsen, dt; Jim Marshall, de; Alan Page, dt; Gene Washington, wr; Mick Tingelhoff, c
- 1971 — Fred Cox, k; Carl Eller, de; Karl Kasulke, s; Gary Larsen, dt; Dave Osborn, hb; Alan Page, dt; Gene Washington, wr
- 1972 — Carl Eller, de; Alan Page, dt; Paul Krause, db; Ron Yary, t; Bob Grim, wr
- 1973 — John Gilliam, wr; Paul Krause, db; Alan Page, dt; Ron Yary, t
- 1974 — Chuck Foreman, rb; John Gilliam, wr; Paul Krause, s; Alan Page, dt; Jeff Siemon, mlb; Ron Yary, t
- 1975 — Carl Eller, de; Chuck Foreman, rb; John Gilliam, wr; Paul Krause, s; Alan Page, dt; Francis Tarkenton, qb\*; Ron Yary, t
- 1976 — Bobby Bryant, db; Chuck Foreman, rb; John Gilliam, wr; Paul Krause, s; Alan Page, dt; Jeff Siemon, lb; Francis Tarkenton, qb\*; Ed White, g; Ron Yary, t
- 1977 — Jeff Siemon, lb; Ed White, g; Ron Yary, t; Sammy White, wr; \*Chuck Foreman, rb; \*Fran Tarkenton, qb; \*Alan Page, dt.

\*Excused from participation.

# 1976 FINAL NFL STANDINGS

## NATIONAL CONFERENCE EASTERN DIVISION

|              | W  | L  | T | Pct. | Pts. | OP  |
|--------------|----|----|---|------|------|-----|
| *Dallas      | 11 | 3  | 0 | .786 | 296  | 194 |
| †Washington  | 10 | 4  | 0 | .714 | 291  | 217 |
| St. Louis    | 10 | 4  | 0 | .714 | 309  | 267 |
| Philadelphia | 4  | 10 | 0 | .286 | 165  | 286 |
| N.Y. Giants  | 3  | 11 | 0 | .214 | 170  | 250 |

## WESTERN DIVISION

|               | W  | L  | T | Pct. | Pts. | OP  |
|---------------|----|----|---|------|------|-----|
| *Los Angeles  | 10 | 3  | 1 | .750 | 351  | 190 |
| San Francisco | 8  | 6  | 0 | .571 | 270  | 190 |
| Atlanta       | 4  | 10 | 0 | .286 | 172  | 312 |
| New Orleans   | 4  | 10 | 0 | .286 | 253  | 346 |
| Seattle       | 2  | 12 | 0 | .143 | 229  | 429 |

## CENTRAL DIVISION

|            | W  | L  | T | Pct. | Pts. | OP  |
|------------|----|----|---|------|------|-----|
| *Minnesota | 11 | 2  | 1 | .821 | 305  | 176 |
| Chicago    | 7  | 7  | 0 | .500 | 253  | 216 |
| Detroit    | 6  | 8  | 0 | .429 | 262  | 220 |
| Green Bay  | 4  | 10 | 0 | .286 | 218  | 299 |

## AMERICAN CONFERENCE EASTERN DIVISION

|               | W  | L  | T | Pct. | Pts. | OP  |
|---------------|----|----|---|------|------|-----|
| *Baltimore    | 11 | 3  | 0 | .786 | 417  | 246 |
| †New England  | 11 | 3  | 0 | .786 | 376  | 236 |
| Miami         | 6  | 8  | 0 | .429 | 263  | 264 |
| New York Jets | 3  | 11 | 0 | .214 | 169  | 383 |
| Buffalo       | 2  | 12 | 0 | .143 | 245  | 363 |

## WESTERN DIVISION

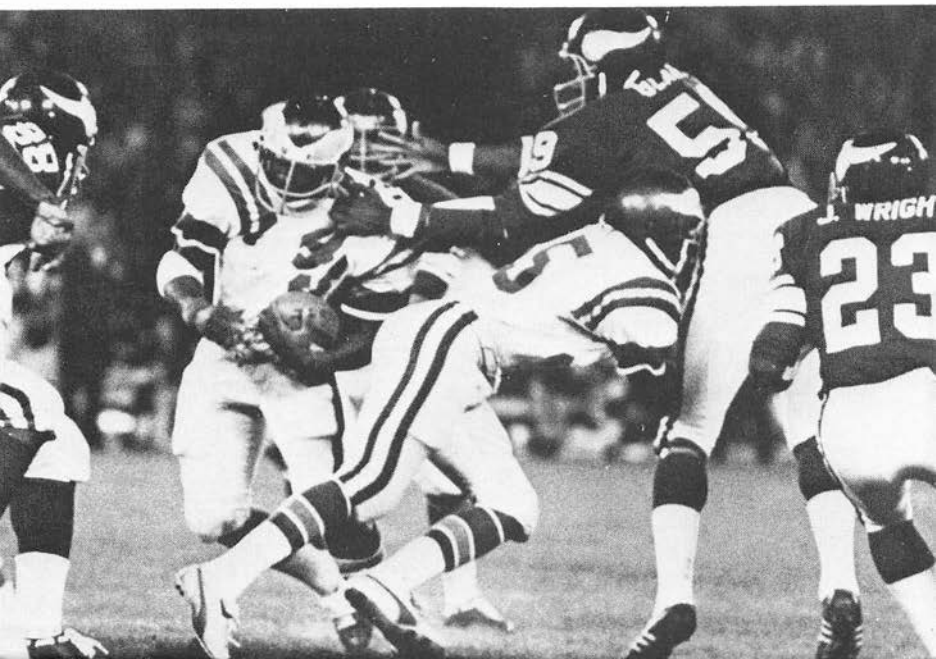
|             | W  | L  | T | Pct. | Pts. | OP  |
|-------------|----|----|---|------|------|-----|
| *Oakland    | 13 | 1  | 0 | .929 | 350  | 237 |
| Denver      | 9  | 5  | 0 | .643 | 315  | 206 |
| San Diego   | 6  | 8  | 0 | .429 | 248  | 285 |
| Kansas City | 5  | 9  | 0 | .357 | 290  | 376 |
| Tampa Bay   | 0  | 14 | 0 | .000 | 125  | 412 |

## CENTRAL DIVISION

|             | W  | L | T | Pct. | Pts. | OP  |
|-------------|----|---|---|------|------|-----|
| *Pittsburgh | 10 | 4 | 0 | .714 | 342  | 138 |
| Cincinnati  | 10 | 4 | 0 | .714 | 335  | 210 |
| Cleveland   | 9  | 5 | 0 | .643 | 267  | 287 |
| Houston     | 5  | 9 | 0 | .357 | 222  | 273 |

\*Division Champion

†Wild Card for Playoffs



# SERIES STANDINGS

A Away Game H Home Game \*\* Playoff # Championship ## Super Bowl

## VIKINGS vs ATLANTA

Won 5, Lost 4, Tied 0

- 1966 (H) — Atlanta 20, Minnesota 13  
 1967 (A) — Atlanta 21, Minnesota 20  
 1968 (H) — Minnesota 47, Atlanta 7  
 1969 (A) — Atlanta 10, Minnesota 3  
 1970 (A) — Minnesota 37, Atlanta 7  
 1971 (H) — Minnesota 24, Atlanta 7  
 1973 (A) — Atlanta 20, Minnesota 14  
 1974 (H) — Minnesota 23, Atlanta 10  
 1975 (H) — Minnesota 38, Atlanta 10

POINTS: Minnesota 219, Atlanta 112

## VIKINGS vs BALTIMORE

Won 4, Lost 11, Tied 1

(Playoffs: 0-1)

- 1961 (A) — Baltimore 34, Minnesota 13  
 (H) — Minnesota 28, Baltimore 20  
 1962 (H) — Baltimore 34, Minnesota 7  
 (A) — Baltimore 42, Minnesota 14  
 1963 (H) — Baltimore 37, Minnesota 34  
 (A) — Baltimore 41, Minnesota 10  
 1964 (H) — Minnesota 34, Baltimore 24  
 (A) — Baltimore 17, Minnesota 14  
 1965 (A) — Baltimore 35, Minnesota 16  
 (H) — Baltimore 41, Minnesota 21  
 1966 (H) — Baltimore 38, Minnesota 23  
 (A) — Baltimore 20, Minnesota 17  
 1967 (H) — Minnesota 20, Baltimore 20  
 1968 (A) — Baltimore 24, Minnesota 9  
 \*\* (A) — Baltimore 24, Minnesota 14  
 1969 (H) — Minnesota 52, Baltimore 14  
 1971 (H) — Minnesota 10, Baltimore 3

POINTS: Minnesota 336, Baltimore 468

## VIKINGS vs BUFFALO

Won 2, Lost 0, Tied 0

- 1971 (H) — Minnesota 19, Buffalo 0  
 1975 (A) — Minnesota 35, Buffalo 13

POINTS: Minnesota 54, Buffalo 13

## VIKINGS vs CINCINNATI

Won 0, Lost 1, Tied 0

- 1973 (A) — Cincinnati 27, Minnesota 0

POINTS: Minnesota 0, Cincinnati 27

## VIKINGS vs CHICAGO

Won 16, Lost 14, Tied 2

- 1961 (H) — Minnesota 37, Chicago 13  
 (A) — Chicago 52, Minnesota 35  
 1962 (H) — Chicago 13, Minnesota 0  
 (A) — Chicago 31, Minnesota 30  
 1963 (H) — Chicago 28, Minnesota 7  
 (A) — Minnesota 17, Chicago 17

- 1964 (H) — Chicago 34, Minnesota 28  
 (A) — Minnesota 41, Chicago 14  
 1965 (H) — Chicago 45, Minnesota 37  
 (A) — Minnesota 24, Chicago 17  
 1966 (H) — Chicago 13, Minnesota 10  
 (A) — Chicago 41, Minnesota 28  
 1967 (H) — Chicago 17, Minnesota 7  
 (A) — Minnesota 10, Chicago 10  
 1968 (H) — Chicago 27, Minnesota 17  
 (A) — Chicago 26, Minnesota 17  
 1969 (A) — Minnesota 31, Chicago 0  
 (H) — Minnesota 31, Chicago 14  
 1970 (A) — Minnesota 24, Chicago 0  
 (H) — Minnesota 16, Chicago 13  
 1971 (H) — Chicago 20, Minnesota 17  
 (A) — Minnesota 27, Chicago 10  
 1972 (A) — Chicago 13, Minnesota 10  
 (H) — Minnesota 23, Chicago 10  
 1973 (A) — Minnesota 22, Chicago 13  
 (H) — Minnesota 31, Chicago 13  
 1974 (H) — Minnesota 11, Chicago 7  
 (A) — Minnesota 17, Chicago 0  
 1975 (H) — Minnesota 28, Chicago 3  
 (A) — Minnesota 13, Chicago 9  
 1976 (H) — Minnesota 20, Chicago 19  
 (A) — Chicago 14, Minnesota 13

POINTS: Minnesota 679, Chicago 556

## VIKINGS vs CLEVELAND

Won 4, Lost 1, Tied 0

(Playoffs: 1-0)

- 1965 (A) — Minnesota 27, Cleveland 17  
 1967 (A) — Cleveland 14, Minnesota 10  
 1969 (H) — Minnesota 51, Cleveland 3  
 # (H) — Minnesota 27, Cleveland 7  
 1973 (H) — Minnesota 26, Cleveland 3  
 1975 (A) — Minnesota 42, Cleveland 10

POINTS: Minnesota 183, Cleveland 54

## VIKINGS vs DALLAS

Won 2, Lost 4, Tied 0

(Playoffs: 1-3)

- 1961 (A) — Dallas 21, Minnesota 7  
 (H) — Dallas 28, Minnesota 0  
 1966 (A) — Dallas 28, Minnesota 17  
 1968 (H) — Dallas 20, Minnesota 7  
 \*\* (A) — Dallas 17, Minnesota 13  
 1970 (H) — Minnesota 54, Dallas 13  
 \*\*1971 (H) — Dallas 20, Minnesota 12  
 \*\*1973 (A) — Minnesota 27, Dallas 10  
 1974 (A) — Minnesota 23, Dallas 21  
 \*\*1975 (H) — Dallas 17, Minnesota 14

POINTS: Minnesota 174, Dallas 195



**VIKINGS vs DENVER****Won 1, Lost 0, Tied 0**

1972 (A) — Minnesota 23, Denver 20

**POINTS: Minnesota 23, Denver 0****VIKINGS vs DETROIT****Won 19, Lost 11, Tied 2**

1961 (H) — Detroit 37, Minnesota 30

(A) — Detroit 13, Minnesota 7

1962 (H) — Detroit 17, Minnesota 6

(A) — Detroit 37, Minnesota 23

1963 (A) — Detroit 28, Minnesota 10

(H) — Minnesota 34, Detroit 31

1964 (H) — Detroit 24, Minnesota 20

(A) — Minnesota 23, Detroit 23

1965 (H) — Detroit 31, Minnesota 29

(A) — Minnesota 29, Detroit 7

1966 (H) — Detroit 32, Minnesota 31

(A) — Minnesota 28, Detroit 16

1967 (H) — Minnesota 10, Detroit 10

(A) — Detroit 14, Minnesota 3

1968 (H) — Minnesota 24, Detroit 10

(A) — Minnesota 13, Detroit 6

1969 (H) — Minnesota 24, Detroit 10

(A) — Minnesota 27, Detroit 0

1970 (A) — Minnesota 30, Detroit 17

(H) — Minnesota 24, Detroit 20

1971 (A) — Minnesota 16, Detroit 13

(H) — Minnesota 29, Detroit 10

1972 (A) — Minnesota 34, Detroit 10

(H) — Minnesota 16, Detroit 14

1973 (A) — Minnesota 23, Detroit 9

(H) — Minnesota 28, Detroit 7

1974 (A) — Minnesota 7, Detroit 6

(H) — Detroit 20, Minnesota 16

1975 (H) — Minnesota 25, Detroit 19

(A) — Detroit 17, Minnesota 10

1976 (A) — Minnesota 10, Detroit 9

(H) — Minnesota 31, Detroit 23

**POINTS: Minnesota 650, Detroit 540****VIKINGS vs GREEN BAY****Won 18, Lost 14, Tied 0**

1961 (H) — Green Bay 33, Minnesota 7

(A) — Green Bay 28, Minnesota 10

1962 (A) — Green Bay 34, Minnesota 7

(H) — Green Bay 48, Minnesota 21

1963 (H) — Green Bay 37, Minnesota 28

(A) — Green Bay 28, Minnesota 7

1964 (A) — Minnesota 24, Green Bay 23

(H) — Green Bay 42, Minnesota 13

1965 (H) — Green Bay 38, Minnesota 13

(A) — Green Bay 24, Minnesota 19

1966 (A) — Minnesota 20, Green Bay 17

(H) — Green Bay 28, Minnesota 16

1967 (A) — Minnesota 10, Green Bay 7

(H) — Green Bay 30, Minnesota 27

1968 (A) — Minnesota 26, Green Bay 13

(H) — Minnesota 14, Green Bay 10

1969 (H) — Minnesota 19, Green Bay 7

(A) — Minnesota 9, Green Bay 7

1970 (A) — Green Bay 13, Minnesota 10

(H) — Minnesota 10, Green Bay 3

1971 (A) — Minnesota 24, Green Bay 13

(H) — Minnesota 3, Green Bay 0

1972 (A) — Minnesota 27, Green Bay 13

(H) — Green Bay 23, Minnesota 7

1973 (H) — Minnesota 11, Green Bay 3

(A) — Minnesota 31, Green Bay 7

1974 (A) — Minnesota 32, Green Bay 17

(H) — Green Bay 19, Minnesota 7

1975 (A) — Minnesota 28, Green Bay 17

(H) — Minnesota 24, Green Bay 3

1976 (A) — Minnesota 17, Green Bay 10

(H) — Minnesota 20, Green Bay 9

**POINTS: Minnesota 541, Green Bay 604****VIKINGS vs HOUSTON****Won 1, Lost 0, Tied 0**

1974 (H) — Minnesota 51, Houston 10

**POINTS: Minnesota 51, Houston 10****VIKINGS vs KANSAS CITY****Won 2, Lost 0, Tied 0****(Playoffs: 0-1)**

# 1970 (A) — Kansas City 23, Minnesota 7

(H) — Minnesota 27, Kansas City 10

1974 (A) — Minnesota 35, Kansas City 15

**POINTS: Minnesota 69, Kansas City 48****VIKINGS vs LOS ANGELES****Won 11, Lost 7, Tied 2****(Playoffs: 3-0)**

1961 (A) — Los Angeles 31, Minnesota 17

(H) — Minnesota 42, Los Angeles 21

1962 (A) — Minnesota 38, Los Angeles 14

(H) — Minnesota 24, Los Angeles 24

1963 (A) — Los Angeles 27, Minnesota 24

(H) — Minnesota 21, Los Angeles 13

1964 (A) — Los Angeles 22, Minnesota 13

(H) — Minnesota 34, Los Angeles 13

1965 (A) — Minnesota 38, Los Angeles 35

(H) — Minnesota 24, Los Angeles 13

1966 (H) — Minnesota 35, Los Angeles 7

(A) — Los Angeles 21, Minnesota 6

1967 (A) — Los Angeles 39, Minnesota 3

1968 (H) — Los Angeles 31, Minnesota 3

1969 (A) — Minnesota 20, Los Angeles 13

\*\* (H) — Minnesota 23, Los Angeles 20

1970 (H) — Minnesota 13, Los Angeles 3

1972 (A) — Minnesota 45, Los Angeles 41

1973 (H) — Minnesota 10, Los Angeles 9

1974 (A) — Los Angeles 20, Minnesota 17

# (H) — Minnesota 14, Los Angeles 10

1976 (H) — Minnesota 10, Los Angeles 10

# (H) — Minnesota 24, Los Angeles 13

**POINTS: Minnesota 474, Los Angeles 437****VIKINGS vs MIAMI****Won 1, Lost 1, Tied 0****(Playoffs: 0-1)**

1972 (H) — Miami 16, Minnesota 14  
#1974 (A) — Miami 24, Minnesota 7  
1976 (A) — Minnesota 29, Miami 7

**POINTS: Minnesota 43, Miami 23**

**VIKINGS vs NEW ENGLAND**

**Won 1, Lost 1, Tied 0**

1970 (A) — Minnesota 35, New England 14

1974 (H) — New England 17, Minnesota 14

**POINTS: Minnesota 49, New England 31**

**VIKINGS vs NEW ORLEANS**

**Won 6, Lost 1, Tied 0**

1968 (A) — New Orleans 20, Minnesota 17

1970 (H) — Minnesota 26, New Orleans 0

1971 (A) — Minnesota 23, New Orleans 10

1972 (H) — Minnesota 37, New Orleans 6

1974 (H) — Minnesota 29, New Orleans 9

1975 (A) — Minnesota 20, New Orleans 7

1976 (A) — Minnesota 40, New Orleans 9

**POINTS: Minnesota 192, New Orleans 61**

**VIKINGS vs NEW YORK GIANTS**

**Won 6, Lost 1, Tied 0**

1964 (A) — Minnesota 30, New York 21

1965 (H) — Minnesota 40, New York 14

1967 (H) — Minnesota 27, New York 24

1969 (A) — New York 24, Minnesota 23

1971 (A) — Minnesota 17, New York 10

1973 (A) — Minnesota 31, New York 7

1976 (H) — Minnesota 24, New York 7

**POINTS: Minnesota 192, New York 107**

**VIKINGS vs NEW YORK JETS**

**Won 1, Lost 1, Tied 0**

1970 (A) — New York 20, Minnesota 10

1975 (H) — Minnesota 29, New York 21

**POINTS: Minnesota 39, New York 41**

**VIKINGS vs OAKLAND**

**Won 1, Lost 0, Tied 0**

1973 (H) — Minnesota 24, Oakland 16

## 1976 (A) — Oakland 32, Minnesota 13

**POINTS: Minnesota 37, Oakland 48**

**VIKINGS vs PHILADELPHIA**

**Won 6, Lost 0, Tied 0**

1962 (H) — Minnesota 31, Philadelphia 21

1963 (A) — Minnesota 34, Philadelphia 13

1968 (A) — Minnesota 24, Philadelphia 17

1971 (A) — Minnesota 13, Philadelphia 0

1973 (H) — Minnesota 28, Philadelphia 21

1976 (A) — Minnesota 31, Philadelphia 12

**POINTS: Minnesota 161, Philadelphia 84**

**VIKINGS vs PITTSBURGH**

**Won 4, Lost 2, Tied 0**

**(Playoffs: 0-1)**

1962 (A) — Pittsburgh 39, Minnesota 31

1964 (H) — Minnesota 30, Pittsburgh 10

1967 (A) — Minnesota 41, Pittsburgh 27

1969 (H) — Minnesota 52, Pittsburgh 14

1972 (A) — Pittsburgh 23, Minnesota 10

# 1975 (A) — Pittsburgh 16, Minnesota 6

1976 (H) Minnesota 17, Pittsburgh 6

**POINTS: Minnesota 187, Pittsburgh 135**

**VIKINGS vs ST. LOUIS**

**Won 2, Lost 3, Tied 0**

**(Playoffs: 1-0)**

1963 (H) — St. Louis 56, Minnesota 14

1967 (H) — St. Louis 34, Minnesota 24

1969 (A) — Minnesota 27, St. Louis 10

1972 (H) — St. Louis 19, Minnesota 17

1974 (A) — Minnesota 28, St. Louis 24

\*1974 (H) — Minnesota 30, St. Louis 14

**POINTS: Minnesota 140, St. Louis 157**

**VIKINGS vs SAN DIEGO**

**Won 1, Lost 1, Tied 0**

1971 (A) — San Diego 30, Minnesota 14

1975 (H) — Minnesota 28, San Diego 13

**POINTS: Minnesota 42, San Diego 43**

**VIKINGS vs SAN FRANCISCO**

**Won 10, Lost 9, Tied 1**

**(Playoffs: 0-1)**

1961 (H) — San Francisco 38, Minnesota 24

(A) — San Francisco 38, Minnesota 28

1962 (A) — San Francisco 21, Minnesota 7

(H) — San Francisco 35, Minnesota 12

1963 (A) — Minnesota 24, San Francisco 20

(H) — Minnesota 45, San Francisco 14

1964 (A) — Minnesota 27, San Francisco 22

(H) — Minnesota 24, San Francisco 7

1965 (A) — Minnesota 42, San Francisco 41

(H) — San Francisco 45, Minnesota 24

1966 (A) — Minnesota 20, San Francisco 20

(H) — Minnesota 28, San Francisco 3

1967 (H) — San Francisco 27, Minnesota 21

1968 (A) — Minnesota 30, San Francisco 20

1969 (H) — Minnesota 10, San Francisco 7

\*1970 (H) — San Francisco 17, Minnesota 14

1971 (H) — San Francisco 13, Minnesota 9

1972 (A) — San Francisco 20, Minnesota 17

1973 (A) — Minnesota 17, San Francisco 13

1975 (H) — Minnesota 27, San Francisco 17

1976 (A) — San Francisco 20, Minnesota 16

**POINTS: Minnesota 466, San Francisco**

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**VIKINGS vs SEATTLE**

**Won 1, Lost 0, Tied 0**

1976 (H) — Minnesota 27, Seattle 21

**POINTS: Minnesota 27, Seattle 21**

**VIKINGS vs WASHINGTON**

**Won 2, Lost 2, Tied 0**

**(Playoffs: 2-0)**

1968 (H) — Minnesota 27, Washington 14

1970 (A) — Minnesota 19, Washington 10

1972 (H) — Washington 24, Minnesota 21

\*\*1973 (H) — Minnesota 27, Washington 20

1975 (A) — Washington 31, Minnesota 30

\*\*1976 (H) — Minnesota 35, Washington 20

**POINTS: Minnesota 159, Washington 119**

# NFC CLUB-BY-CLUB 1976 SEASON RESULTS

|                        |                     |            |                             |                  |            |                            |                  |            |
|------------------------|---------------------|------------|-----------------------------|------------------|------------|----------------------------|------------------|------------|
| <b>ATLANTA (4-10)</b>  |                     |            | 9                           | Minnesota        | 20         | 14                         | *St. Louis       | 17         |
| 14                     | *Los Angeles        | 30         | 24                          | Atlanta          | 20         | 3                          | Cleveland        | 24         |
| 10                     | Detroit             | 24         | <b>218</b>                  |                  | <b>299</b> | 7                          | *Oakland         | 26         |
| 10                     | Chicago             | 0          |                             |                  |            | 0                          | Washington       | 24         |
| 13                     | *Philadelphia       | 14         | <b>LOS ANGELES (10-3-1)</b> |                  |            | 7                          | *Dallas          | 26         |
| 0                      | New Orleans         | 30         | 30                          | Atlanta          | 14         | 27                         | *Seattle         | 10         |
| 17                     | *Cleveland          | 20         | 10                          | Minnesota        | OT 10      | <b>165</b>                 |                  | <b>286</b> |
| 0                      | San Francisco       | 15         | 24                          | *New York Giants | 10         |                            |                  |            |
| 23                     | *New Orleans        | 20         | 31                          | Miami            | 28         | <b>SAN FRANCISCO (8-6)</b> |                  |            |
| 13                     | Seattle             | 30         | 0                           | *San Francisco   | 16         | 26                         | Green Bay        | 14         |
| 21                     | *San Francisco      | 16         | 20                          | *Chicago         | 12         | 12                         | *Chicago         | 19         |
| 17                     | Dallas              | 10         | 16                          | New Orleans      | 10         | 37                         | Seattle          | 21         |
| 14                     | Houston             | 20         | 45                          | *Seattle         | 6          | 17                         | *New York Jets   | 6          |
| 0                      | Los Angeles         | 59         | 12                          | Cincinnati       | 20         | 16                         | Los Angeles      | 0          |
| 20                     | *Green Bay          | 24         | 28                          | *St. Louis       | 30         | 33                         | *New Orleans     | 0          |
| <b>172</b>             |                     | <b>312</b> | 23                          | San Francisco    | 3          | 15                         | Atlanta          | 0          |
|                        |                     |            | 33                          | *New Orleans     | 14         | 20                         | St. Louis        | OT 23      |
| <b>CHICAGO (7-7)</b>   |                     |            | 59                          | Atlanta          | 0          | 21                         | *Washington      | 24         |
| 10                     | *Detroit            | 3          | 20                          | Detroit          | 17         | 16                         | Atlanta          | 23         |
| 19                     | San Francisco       | 12         | <b>351</b>                  |                  | <b>190</b> | 3                          | *Los Angeles     | 16         |
| 0                      | Atlanta             | 10         |                             |                  |            | 20                         | Minnesota        | OT 13      |
| 33                     | *Washington         | 7          | <b>MINNESOTA (11-2-1)</b>   |                  |            | 27                         | New Orleans      | 17         |
| 19                     | Minnesota           | 20         | 40                          | New Orleans      | 9          | <b>270</b>                 |                  | <b>190</b> |
| 12                     | Los Angeles         | 20         | 10                          | *Los Angeles     | OT 10      |                            |                  |            |
| 21                     | Dallas              | 31         | 10                          | Detroit          | 9          |                            |                  |            |
| 14                     | *Minnesota          | 13         | 17                          | *Pittsburgh      | 6          | <b>SEATTLE (2-12)</b>      |                  |            |
| 27                     | *Oakland            | 28         | 20                          | *Chicago         | 19         | 24                         | *St. Louis       | 30         |
| 24                     | *Green Bay          | 13         | 24                          | *New York Giants | 7          | 7                          | Washington       | 31         |
| 10                     | Detroit             | 14         | 31                          | Philadelphia     | 12         | 21                         | *San Francisco   | 37         |
| 16                     | Green Bay           | 10         | 13                          | Chicago          | 14         | 13                         | *Dallas          | 28         |
| 34                     | Seattle             | 7          | 31                          | *Detroit         | 23         | 20                         | Green Bay (Mil.) | 27         |
| 14                     | *Denver             | 28         | 27                          | *Seattle         | 21         | 13                         | Tampa Bay        | 10         |
| <b>253</b>             |                     | <b>216</b> | 17                          | Green Bay (Mil.) | 10         | 14                         | *Detroit         | 41         |
|                        |                     |            | 16                          | San Francisco    | 20         | 6                          | Los Angeles      | 45         |
| <b>DALLAS (11-3)</b>   |                     |            | 20                          | *Green Bay       | 9          | 30                         | Atlanta          | 13         |
| 27                     | *Philadelphia       | 7          | 29                          | Miami            | 7          | 21                         | Minnesota        | 27         |
| 24                     | New Orleans         | 6          | <b>305</b>                  |                  | <b>176</b> | 27                         | *New Orleans     | 51         |
| 30                     | *Baltimore          | 27         |                             |                  |            | 16                         | New York Giants  | 28         |
| 28                     | Seattle             | 13         | <b>NEW ORLEANS (4-10)</b>   |                  |            | 7                          | *Chicago         | 34         |
| 24                     | New York Giants     | 14         | 9                           | *Minnesota       | 40         | 10                         | Philadelphia     | 27         |
| 17                     | St. Louis           | 21         | 6                           | *Dallas          | 14         | <b>229</b>                 |                  | <b>429</b> |
| 31                     | *Chicago            | 7          | 27                          | Kansas City      | 27         |                            |                  |            |
| 20                     | *Washington         | 3          | 26                          | *Houston         | 31         |                            |                  |            |
| 9                      | *New York Giants    | 3          | 30                          | Atlanta          | 0          | <b>ST LOUIS (10-4)</b>     |                  |            |
| 17                     | *Buffalo            | 10         | 3                           | San Francisco    | 33         | 30                         | Seattle          | 24         |
| 10                     | Atlanta             | 17         | 10                          | Los Angeles      | 16         | 29                         | *Green Bay       | 0          |
| 19                     | *St. Louis          | 14         | 20                          | Atlanta          | 23         | 24                         | San Diego        | 43         |
| 26                     | Philadelphia        | 7          | 27                          | Green Bay (Mil.) | 32         | 27                         | *New York Giants | 21         |
| 14                     | *Washington         | 27         | 17                          | *Detroit         | 16         | 33                         | *Philadelphia    | 14         |
| <b>296</b>             |                     | <b>194</b> | 51                          | Seattle          | 27         | 21                         | Dallas           | 17         |
|                        |                     |            | 14                          | Los Angeles      | 33         | 20                         | Washington       | 20         |
| <b>DETROIT (6-8)</b>   |                     |            | 6                           | New England      | 27         | 23                         | *San Francisco   | OT 20      |
| 3                      | Chicago             | 10         | 7                           | *San Francisco   | 346        | 17                         | Philadelphia     | 14         |
| 24                     | *Atlanta            | 10         | <b>253</b>                  |                  | <b>346</b> | 30                         | Los Angeles      | 28         |
| 9                      | *Minnesota          | 10         |                             |                  |            | 10                         | *Washington      | 16         |
| 14                     | Green Bay           | 24         | <b>N.Y. GIANTS (3-11)</b>   |                  |            | 14                         | Dallas           | 19         |
| 30                     | *New England        | 10         | 17                          | Washington       | 19         | 24                         | Baltimore        | 17         |
| 7                      | Washington          | 20         | 7                           | Philadelphia     | 20         | 17                         | New York Giants  | 14         |
| 41                     | Seattle             | 14         | 10                          | Los Angeles      | 24         | <b>309</b>                 |                  | <b>267</b> |
| 27                     | *Green Bay          | 6          | 21                          | St. Louis        | 27         |                            |                  |            |
| 23                     | Minnesota           | 31         | 14                          | *Dallas          | 24         | <b>WASHINGTON (10-4)</b>   |                  |            |
| 16                     | New Orleans         | 17         | 7                           | Minnesota        | 24         | 19                         | *New York Giants | 17         |
| 14                     | *Chicago            | 10         | 0                           | Pittsburgh       | 27         | 31                         | *Seattle         | 7          |
| 27                     | *Buffalo            | 14         | 0                           | *Philadelphia    | 10         | 20                         | Philadelphia     | OT 17      |
| 10                     | New York Giants     | 24         | 3                           | Dallas           | 9          | 7                          | Chicago          | 33         |
| 17                     | *Los Angeles        | 20         | 12                          | *Washington      | 9          | 30                         | *Kansas City     | 33         |
| <b>262</b>             |                     | <b>220</b> | 13                          | Denver           | 14         | 20                         | *Detroit         | 7          |
|                        |                     |            | 28                          | *Seattle         | 16         | 7                          | *St. Louis       | 10         |
| <b>GREEN BAY (5-9)</b> |                     |            | 24                          | *Detroit         | 10         | 20                         | Dallas           | 20         |
| 14                     | *San Francisco      | 26         | 14                          | *St. Louis       | 17         | 24                         | San Francisco    | 21         |
| 0                      | St. Louis           | 29         | <b>170</b>                  |                  | <b>250</b> | 9                          | New York Giants  | 12         |
| 7                      | Cincinnati          | 28         |                             |                  |            | 16                         | St. Louis        | 10         |
| 24                     | *Detroit            | 14         | <b>PHILADELPHIA (4-10)</b>  |                  |            | 24                         | *Philadelphia    | 0          |
| 27                     | *Seattle (Mil.)     | 20         | 7                           | Dallas           | 27         | 37                         | New York Jets    | 16         |
| 28                     | *Philadelphia       | 13         | 20                          | *New York Giants | 13         | 27                         | Dallas           | 14         |
| 14                     | Oakland             | 18         | 17                          | *Washington      | OT 20      | <b>291</b>                 |                  | <b>217</b> |
| 6                      | Detroit             | 27         | 14                          | Atlanta          | 13         |                            |                  |            |
| 32                     | *New Orleans (Mil.) | 27         | 14                          | St. Louis        | 33         |                            |                  |            |
| 13                     | Chicago             | 24         | 13                          | Green Bay        | 28         |                            |                  |            |
| 10                     | *Minnesota (Mil.)   | 17         | 12                          | *Minnesota       | 31         |                            |                  |            |
| 10                     | *Chicago            | 16         | 10                          | New York Giants  | 0          |                            |                  |            |

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# VIKINGS 1976 REGULAR SEASON INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

|                 |     |      |      |      |      |                                            |             |               |      |          | In                                                                                                                                                                                      |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
|-----------------|-----|------|------|------|------|--------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|------|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| Rushing         |     |      |      |      |      | No                                         | Yds         | Avg           | LG   | TD       | Punting                                                                                                                                                                                 |      |     |     |     |     | No  | Yds | Avg  | TB  | 20  | LG  |    |    |    |     |    |
| Foreman         | 278 | 1155 | 4.2  | 46   | 13   | Clabo                                      | 69          | 2678          | 38.8 | 13       | 5                                                                                                                                                                                       | 55   |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| McClanahan      | 130 | 382  | 2.9  | 19   | 3    | Minn Totals                                | 69          | 2678          | 38.8 | 13       | 5                                                                                                                                                                                       | 55   |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Miller          | 67  | 286  | 4.3  | 36   | 0    | Opp Totals                                 | 79          | 2932          | 37.1 | 5        | 14                                                                                                                                                                                      | 63   |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Tarkenton       | 27  | 45   | 1.7  | 20   | 1    | Punt Returns                               |             |               |      |          |                                                                                                                                                                                         | No   | FC  | Yds | Avg | LG  | TD  |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Johnson         | 17  | 98   | 5.8  | 18   | 0    | Willis                                     | 30          | 10            | 207  | 6.9      | 29                                                                                                                                                                                      | 0    |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Groce           | 3   | 18   | 6.0  | 13   | 0    | Beamon                                     | 7           | 5             | 19   | 2.7      | 14                                                                                                                                                                                      | 0    |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| S. White        | 5   | -10  | -    | 6    | 0    | S. White                                   | 3           | 1             | 45   | 15.0     | 31                                                                                                                                                                                      | 0    |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Lee             | 2   | 2    | 1.0  | 0    | 0    | Minn Totals                                | 40          | 16            | 271  | 6.8      | 31                                                                                                                                                                                      | 0    |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Departed        | 11  | 27   | -    | -    | 0    | Opp Totals                                 | 40          | 4             | 286  | 7.2      | 19                                                                                                                                                                                      | 0    |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Minn. Totals    | 540 | 2003 | 3.7  | 46   | 18   |                                            |             |               |      |          |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Opp Totals      | 487 | 2096 | 4.3  | 39   | 14   |                                            |             |               |      |          |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
|                 |     |      |      |      |      |                                            |             |               |      |          |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Receiving       |     |      |      |      |      | No                                         | Yds         | Avg           | LG   | TD       | Scoring                                                                                                                                                                                 |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     | TDR | TD | TD | FG | PAT | TP |
| Foreman         | 55  | 567  | 10.3 | 41t  | 1    | Cox                                        | -           | -             | -    | 19/31    | 32/36                                                                                                                                                                                   | 89   |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Rashad          | 53  | 671  | 12.7 | 47   | 3    | Foreman                                    | 13          | 1             | -    | -        | -                                                                                                                                                                                       | 84   |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| S. White        | 51  | 906  | 17.8 | 56t  | 10   | S. White                                   | -           | 10            | -    | -        | -                                                                                                                                                                                       | 60   |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| McClanahan      | 40  | 252  | 6.3  | 23   | 1    | McClanahan                                 | 4           | 1             | -    | -        | -                                                                                                                                                                                       | 30   |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Voigt           | 28  | 303  | 10.8 | 44   | 1    | Rashad                                     | -           | 3             | -    | -        | -                                                                                                                                                                                       | 18   |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Miller          | 23  | 181  | 7.9  | 19   | 1    | N. Allen                                   | -           | -             | 1    | -        | -                                                                                                                                                                                       | 6    |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Grim            | 9   | 108  | 12.0 | 27   | 0    | Tarkenton                                  | 1           | -             | -    | -        | -                                                                                                                                                                                       | 6    |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Craig           | 3   | 33   | 11.0 | 17   | 0    | Voigt                                      | -           | 1             | -    | -        | -                                                                                                                                                                                       | 6    |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| S. Johnson      | 2   | 22   | 11.0 | 11   | 0    | Miller                                     | -           | 1             | -    | -        | -                                                                                                                                                                                       | 6    |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Departed        | 23  | 74   | -    | -    | 0    | Minn Totals                                | 18          | 17            | 1    | 19/31    | 32/36                                                                                                                                                                                   | 305  |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Minn Totals     | 270 | 3118 | 11.5 | 56t  | 17   | Opp Totals                                 | 14          | 8             | 0    | 10/25    | 14/21                                                                                                                                                                                   | 176  |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Opp Totals      | 158 | 1897 | 12.0 | 80t  | 8    |                                            |             |               |      |          |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
|                 |     |      |      |      |      |                                            |             |               |      |          |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Interceptions   |     |      |      |      |      | No                                         | Yds         | Avg           | LG   | TD       | COX FIELD GOALS: ( <u>underlined</u> , good); (24,35); (33,41,35); (44,49); (44,43); (29,39); (23,40,27b); (48,32); (24,24); (39); (32,43,39); (41,49b,33b); (51,37); (34,30); (24,30). |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| N. Wright       | 7   | 47   | 6.7  | 21   | 0    | Regular Season Scores, Attendance (11-2-1) |             |               |      |          |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Allen           | 3   | 44   | 14.7 | 30   | 0    | (W)                                        | VIKINGS 40, | New Orleans   | 9    | (58,156) |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Krause          | 2   | 21   | 10.1 | 19   | 0    | (T)                                        | Vikings 10, | Los Angeles   | 10   | (47,310) |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Beamon          | 1   | 41   | 41.0 | 41   | 0    | (W)                                        | VIKINGS 10, | Detroit       | 9    | (77,292) |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Bryant          | 2   | 30   | 15.0 | 25   | 0    | (W)                                        | VIKINGS 17, | Pittsburgh    | 6    | (47,809) |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Blair           | 2   | 25   | 12.5 | 20   | 0    | (W)                                        | VIKINGS 20, | Chicago       | 19   | (47,948) |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| J. Wright       | 1   | 5    | 5.0  | 5    | 0    | (W)                                        | VIKINGS 24, | N.Y. Giants   | 7    | (47,156) |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Siemon          | 1   | 0    | 0.0  | 0    | 0    | (W)                                        | VIKINGS 31, | Philadelphia  | 12   | (56,233) |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Minn Totals     | 19  | 213  | 11.2 | 41   | 0    | (L)                                        | Vikings 13, | CHICAGO       | 14   | (56,602) |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Opp Totals      | 10  | 185  | 18.5 | 55   | 0    | (W)                                        | VIKINGS 31, | Detroit       | 23   | (46,735) |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
|                 |     |      |      |      |      | (W)                                        | VIKINGS 27, | Seattle       | 21   | (45,087) |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
|                 |     |      |      |      |      | (W)                                        | VIKINGS 17, | Green Bay     | 10   | (53,104) |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
|                 |     |      |      |      |      | (L)                                        | Vikings 16, | SAN FRANCISCO | 20   | (56,775) |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
|                 |     |      |      |      |      | (W)                                        | VIKINGS 20, | Green Bay     | 9    | (43,700) |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
|                 |     |      |      |      |      | (W)                                        | VIKINGS 29, | Miami         | 7    | (46,543) |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
|                 |     |      |      |      |      |                                            |             |               |      |          |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Kickoff Returns |     |      |      |      |      | No                                         | Yds         | Avg           | LG   | TD       | Score By Periods                                                                                                                                                                        |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Willis          | 24  | 552  | 23.0 | 57   | 0    | Minn                                       | .....40     | 102           | 56   | 90       | —                                                                                                                                                                                       | 305  |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| S. White        | 9   | 173  | 19.2 | 36   | 0    | Opp                                        | .....39     | 35            | 43   | 59       | —                                                                                                                                                                                       | 176  |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Miller          | 5   | 77   | 15.4 | 27   | 0    |                                            |             |               |      |          |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Johnson         | 2   | 35   | 17.5 | 18   | 0    |                                            |             |               |      |          |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Departed        | 1   | 22   | 22.0 | 22   | 0    |                                            |             |               |      |          |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Blair           | 1   | 0    | -    | -    | -    |                                            |             |               |      |          |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Minn Totals     | 42  | 859  | 20.5 | 57   | 0    |                                            |             |               |      |          |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Opp Totals      | 66  | 1209 | 18.3 | 38   | 0    |                                            |             |               |      |          |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
|                 |     |      |      |      |      |                                            |             |               |      |          |                                                                                                                                                                                         |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Passing         |     |      |      |      |      | Att                                        | Comp        | Yds           | Pct  | Avg      | Att                                                                                                                                                                                     | TD   | Pct | TD  | Int | Pct | Int | LG  | Lost | Att | Rtg |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Tarkenton       | 412 | 255  | 296t | 61.9 | 7.19 | 17                                         | 4.1         | 8             | 1.9  | 56t      | 25/221                                                                                                                                                                                  | 89.4 |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Lee             | 30  | 15   | 156  | 50.0 | 5.20 | 0                                          | 0.0         | 2             | 6.6  | 21       | 6/41                                                                                                                                                                                    | 37.5 |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Minn. Totals    | 442 | 270  | 3117 | 61.1 | 7.05 | 17                                         | 3.8         | 10            | 2.3  | 56t      | 31/262                                                                                                                                                                                  | —    |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |
| Opp Totals      | 323 | 158  | 1897 | 48.9 | 5.87 | 8                                          | 2.5         | 19            | 5.9  | 80t      | 45/320                                                                                                                                                                                  | —    |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |

# 1976 TEAM STATISTICS

|                                  | Vikings | Opponents |
|----------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| <b>TOTAL FIRST DOWNS</b>         | 294     | 207       |
| Rushing                          | 125     | 103       |
| Passing                          | 150     | 91        |
| Penalty                          | 19      | 13        |
| Third Down Efficiency            | 105/239 | 67/209    |
| <b>TOTAL NET YARDS</b>           | 4858    | 3671      |
| Avg. Per Game                    | 347.0   | 262.2     |
| Total Plays                      | 1013    | 855       |
| Avg. Per Play                    | 4.8     | 4.3       |
| <b>NET YARDS RUSHING</b>         | 2003    | 2096      |
| Avg. Per Game                    | 143.1   | 149.7     |
| Total Rushes                     | 540     | 487       |
| Avg. Per Rush                    | 3.7     | 4.3       |
| <b>NET YARDS PASSING</b>         | 2855    | 1575      |
| Avg. Per Game                    | 203.9   | 112.5     |
| Tackled/Yards Lost               | 31/262  | 45/322    |
| Gross Yards                      | 3117    | 1897      |
| Attempts/Completions             | 442/270 | 323/158   |
| Pct. of Completions              | 61.1    | 49.9      |
| Had Intercepted                  | 10      | 19        |
| <b>PUNTS/AVERAGE</b>             | 69/38.8 | 79/37.6   |
| <b>NET PUNTING AVERAGE</b>       | 69/30.9 | 78/32.8   |
| <b>PUNT RETURNS/AVERAGE</b>      | 40/6.8  | 40/7.2    |
| <b>KICKOFF RETURNS/AVERAGE</b>   | 42/20.5 | 66/18.3   |
| <b>MISC. RETURN/YARDS</b>        | 10/49   | 4/33      |
| <b>INTERCEPTIONS/AVG. RETURN</b> | 19/11.2 | 9/20.6    |
| <b>PENALTIES/YARDS</b>           | 77/615  | 76/653    |
| <b>FUMBLES/BALL LOST</b>         | 33/19   | 24/13     |
| <b>TOUCHDOWNS</b>                | 36      | 22        |
| Rushing                          | 18      | 14        |
| Passing                          | 17      | 8         |
| Returns                          | 1       | 0         |
| <b>EXTRA POINTS/ATTEMPTS</b>     | 32/36   | 14/21     |
| <b>FIELD GOALS/ATTEMPTS</b>      | 19/31   | 10/25     |
| <b>TOTAL POINTS</b>              | 305     | 176       |

## VIKING COACHES

|                  |           |                    |           |
|------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|
| Armstrong, Neill | 1969 -    | McCormick, Tom     | 1963 - 66 |
| Brewster, Darrel | 1961 - 63 | Mertes, Bus        | 1967 -    |
| Burns, Jerry     | 1968 -    | Michels, John      | 1967 -    |
| Campbell, Marion | 1964 - 66 | Nelson, Jocko      | 1971 -    |
| Carpenter, Lew   | 1964 - 66 | Patera, Jack       | 1969 - 75 |
| Carr, Jim        | 1966 - 68 | Ryan, Buddy        | 1976 -    |
| Faulkner, Jack   | 1965      | Van Brocklin, Norm | 1961 - 66 |
| Gilmer, Harry    | 1961 - 64 | West, Stan         | 1961 - 63 |
| Grant, Bud       | 1967 -    | Yowarski, Walt     | 1961 - 66 |
| Hollway, Bob     | 1967 - 70 |                    |           |

# VIKING LEADERS, YEAR-BY-YEAR

|      | <b>PASSING</b> | <b>Att-Comp-Yds</b> | <b>RUSHING</b> | <b>Att-Yds</b> | <b>RECEIVING</b> | <b>No. Yds.</b> |
|------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 1961 | Tarkenton      | 280-157-1997        | McElhenny      | 120-570        | Reichow          | 50-859          |
| 1962 | Tarkenton      | 329-163-2595        | Mason          | 167-740        | Reichow          | 39-561          |
| 1963 | Tarkenton      | 297-170-2311        | Mason          | 166-763        | Flatley          | 51-867          |
| 1964 | Tarkenton      | 306-171-2506        | Brown          | 226-866        | Brown            | 48-703          |
| 1965 | Tarkenton      | 329-171-2609        | Brown          | 160-699        | Flatley          | 50-896          |
| 1966 | Tarkenton      | 358-192-2561        | Brown          | 251-829        | Flatley          | 50-777          |
| 1967 | Kapp           | 214-102-1386        | Osborn         | 215-972        | Osborn           | 34-282          |
| 1968 | Kapp           | 248-129-1699        | Brown          | 222-805        | Washington       | 46-756          |
| 1969 | Kapp           | 237-120-1726        | Osborn         | 186-643        | Washington       | 39-821          |
| 1970 | Cuozzo         | 257-128-1720        | Osborn         | 207-681        | Washington       | 44-702          |
| 1971 | Cuozzo         | 168-75-842          | Jones          | 180-675        | Grim             | 45-691          |
| 1972 | Tarkenton      | 378-215-2651        | Reed           | 151-639        | Gilliam          | 47-1035         |
| 1973 | Tarkenton      | 274-169-2113        | Foreman        | 182-801        | Gilliam          | 42-907          |
| 1974 | Tarkenton      | 351-199-2598        | Foreman        | 199-777        | Foreman          | 53-586          |
| 1975 | Tarkenton      | 425-273-2994        | Foreman        | 280-1070       | Foreman          | 73-691          |
| 1976 | Tarkenton      | 412-255-2961        | Foreman        | 278-1155       | Foreman          | 55-567          |

|      | <b>INTERCEPTIONS</b> | <b>No.</b> | <b>SCORING</b> | <b>Pts.</b> | <b>PUNTING</b> | <b>No. Avg.</b> |
|------|----------------------|------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1961 | Hawkins              | 5          | Reichow        | 66          | Mercer         | 63-39.0         |
| 1962 | Sharockman           | 6          | Christopherson | 61          | Mercer         | 19-43.5         |
| 1963 | Sharockman           | 5          | Cox            | 75          | Cox            | 70-38.7         |
| 1964 | Rose                 | 6          | Cox            | 103         | Walden         | 72-46.4         |
| 1965 | Sharockman           | 6          | Cox            | 113         | Walden         | 51-42.1         |
| 1966 | Hackbart             | 5          | Cox            | 88          | Walden         | 60-41.1         |
| 1967 | Mackbee              | 5          | Cox            | 77          | Walden         | 75-41.6         |
| 1968 | Krause               | 7          | Cox            | 88          | Hill           | 33-41.0         |
| 1969 | Bryant               | 8          | Cox            | 121         | Lee            | 67-40.0         |
| 1970 | Sharockman           | 7          | Cox            | 125         | McNeill        | 61-38.0         |
| 1971 | West                 | 7          | Cox            | 91          | Lee            | 89-39.5         |
| 1972 | Krause               | 6          | Cox            | 97          | Eischeid       | 62-42.7         |
| 1973 | Bryant               | 7          | Cox            | 96          | Eischeid       | 66-39.8         |
| 1974 | N. Wright            | 6          | Foreman        | 90          | Eischeid       | 73-36.1         |
| 1975 | Krause               | 10         | Foreman        | 132         | Clabo          | 73-41.1         |
| 1976 | N. Wright            | 7          | Cox            | 89          | Clabo          | 69-38.8         |

## HUNDRED YARD RUSHING GAMES

| <b>DATE</b>    | <b>PLAYER</b> | <b>OPPONENT</b> | <b>ATT</b> | <b>YARDS</b> |
|----------------|---------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|
| Dec. 3, 1961   | Raymond Hayes | vs Los Angeles  | 18         | 123          |
| Dec. 17, 1961  | Mel Triplett  | vs Chicago      | 15         | 121          |
| Dec. 9, 1962   | Tommy Mason   | vs Detroit      | 16         | 138          |
| Dec. 16, 1962  | Tommy Mason   | vs Baltimore    | 20         | 143          |
| Nov. 17, 1963  | Tommy Mason   | vs Baltimore    | 12         | 146          |
| Sept. 13, 1964 | Tommy Mason   | vs Baltimore    | 20         | 137          |
| Sept. 13, 1964 | Bill Brown    | vs Baltimore    | 20         | 103          |
| Oct. 18, 1964  | Tommy Mason   | vs Pittsburgh   | 14         | 124          |
| Nov. 15, 1964  | Bill Brown    | vs Baltimore    | 19         | 106          |
| Dec. 6, 1964   | Bill Brown    | vs NY Giants    | 18         | 103          |
| Oct. 17, 1965  | Bill Brown    | vs Chicago      | 15         | 117          |
| Oct. 31, 1965  | Bill Brown    | vs Cleveland    | 26         | 138          |
| Dec. 5, 1965   | Tommy Mason   | vs Green Bay    | 21         | 101          |
| Sept. 25, 1966 | Bill Brown    | vs Dallas       | 20         | 115          |
| Dec. 18, 1966  | Dave Osborn   | vs Chicago      | 19         | 118          |
| Oct. 29, 1967  | Dave Osborn   | vs Atlanta      | 22         | 103          |
| Nov. 5, 1967   | Dave Osborn   | vs NY Giants    | 16         | 115          |
| Dec. 3, 1967   | Dave Osborn   | vs Green Bay    | 21         | 155          |
| Sept. 14, 1968 | Clinton Jones | vs Atlanta      | 17         | 101          |
| Sept. 29, 1968 | Bill Brown    | vs Chicago      | 12         | 109          |
| Oct. 12, 1969  | Dave Osborn   | vs Chicago      | 15         | 106          |

|                |               |                 |    |     |
|----------------|---------------|-----------------|----|-----|
| Dec. 5, 1970   | Dave Osborn   | vs Chicago      | 29 | 139 |
| Nov. 28, 1971  | Clinton Jones | vs Atlanta      | 22 | 155 |
| Nov. 12, 1972  | Oscar Reed    | vs Detroit      | 23 | 124 |
| Sept. 23, 1973 | Chuck Foreman | vs Chicago      | 16 | 116 |
| Oct. 7, 1973   | Chuck Foreman | vs Detroit      | 16 | 114 |
| Nov. 11, 1973  | Bill Brown    | vs Detroit      | 19 | 101 |
| Dec. 8, 1973   | Chuck Foreman | vs Green Bay    | 19 | 100 |
| Oct. 19, 1975  | Chuck Foreman | vs Detroit      | 22 | 107 |
| Oct. 27, 1975  | Chuck Foreman | vs Chicago      | 26 | 102 |
| Nov. 9, 1975   | Chuck Foreman | vs Atlanta      | 26 | 102 |
| Nov. 16, 1975  | Chuck Foreman | vs New Orleans  | 24 | 117 |
| Nov. 23, 1975  | Chuck Foreman | vs San Diego    | 33 | 127 |
| Oct. 4, 1976   | Chuck Foreman | vs Pittsburgh   | 27 | 148 |
| Oct. 24, 1976  | Chuck Foreman | vs Philadelphia | 28 | 200 |
| Nov. 14, 1976  | Chuck Foreman | vs Seattle      | 17 | 100 |

## OPPONENTS, 1977

**ATLANTA FALCONS:** Head Coach — Leeman Bennett. PR Director — Charley Dayton. Home Field — Atlanta-Fulton County Stadium (60,489). 1976 Record — 4-10 (tied for third in NFC West). Office telephone — (404) 688-8684.

**BALTIMORE COLTS:** Head Coach — Ted Marchibroda. PR Director — Wilt Browning. Home Field — Memorial Stadium (60,020). 1976 Record — 11-3 (first in AFC East). Office telephone — (301) 667-4400.

**BUFFALO BILLS:** Head Coach — Jim Ringo. PR Director — L. Budd Thalman. Home Field — Rich Stadium (80,020). 1976 Record — 2-12 (fifth in AFC East). Office telephone (716) 648-1800.

**CHICAGO BEARS:** Head Coach — Jack Pardee. PR Director — Ted Haracz. Home Field — Solider Field (55,753). 1976 Record — 7-7 (second in NFC Central). Office telephone — (312) 663-5100.

**CINCINNATI BENGALS:** Head Coach — Bill Johnson. PR Director — Allan Heim. Home Field — Riverfront Stadium (56,200). 1976 Record — 10-4 (tied for first in AFC Central). Office telephone — (513) 621-3550.

**CLEVELAND BROWNS:** Head Coach — Forrest Gregg. PR Director — Nate Wallack. Home Field — Cleveland Stadium (80,165). 1976 Record — 9-5 (third in AFC Central). Office telephone — (216) 696-5555.

**DALLAS COWBOYS:** Head Coach — Tom Landry. PR Director — Doug Todd. Home Field — Texas Stadium (65,101). 1976 Record — 11-3 (first in NFC East). Office telephone — (214) 369-8000.

**DETROIT LIONS:** Head Coach — Tommy Hudspeth. PR Director — Don Kremer. Home Field — Pontiac Silverdome (80,638). 1976 Record — 6-8 (third in NFC Central). Office telephone — (313) 335-4131.

**GREEN BAY PACKERS:** Head Coach — Bart Starr. PR Director — Chuck Lane. Home Field — Lambeau Field, Green Bay (56,267); Milwaukee County Stadium (55,869). 1976 Record — 5-9 (fourth in NFC Central). Office telephone — (414) 494-2351.

**LOS ANGELES RAMS:** Head Coach — Chuck Knox. PR Directors — Jerry Wilcox, Jack Geyer. Home Field — Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum (71,000). 1976 Record — 10-3-1 (first in NFC West). Office telephone — (213) 277-4700.

**MIAMI DOLPHINS:** Head Coach — Don Shula. PR Director — Bob Kearney. Home Field — Orange Bowl (80,045). 1976 Record — 6-8 (third in AFC East). Office telephone — (305) 379-1851.

**OAKLAND RAIDERS:** Head Coach — John Madden. PR contact — Al LoCasale. Home Field — Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum (54,037). Office telephone — (415) 562-5900.

**ST. LOUIS CARDINALS:** Head Coach — Don Coryell. PR Director — Kevin Byrne. Home Field — Busch Memorial Stadium (51,392). 1976 Record — 10-4 (tied for second in NFC East). Office telephone — (314) 421-0777.

**SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS:** Head Coach — Ken Meyer. PR Director — George McFadden. Home Field — Candlestick Park (61,000). 1976 Record — 8-6 (second in NFC West). Office telephone — (415) 771-1149.

**TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS:** Head Coach — John McKay. PR Director — Dick Maxwell. Home Field — Tampa Stadium (71,000). 1976 Record — 0-14 (fifth in AFC West). Office telephone — (813) 870-2700.



# VIKING TEAM SEASON RECORDS

## First Downs Rushing

Most — 142 in 1975  
Fewest — 89 in 1971  
Most Against — 147 in 1963  
Fewest Against — 55 in 1969

## First Downs Passing

Most — 156 in 1975  
Fewest — 85 in 1967  
Most Against — 143 in 1963  
Fewest Against — 82 in 1972

## First Downs Penalty

Most — 23 in 1967  
Fewest — 9 in 1961  
Most Against — 23 in 1965  
Fewest Against — 8 in 1962

## Total First Downs

Most — 314 in 1975  
Fewest — 198 in 1971  
Most Against — 291 in 1961  
Fewest Against — 158 in 1969

## Net Yards Gained Rushing

Most — 2278 in 1965  
Fewest — 1634 in 1970  
Most Against — 2667 in 1961  
Fewest Against — 1089 in 1969

## Net Yards Gained Passing

Most — 2855 in 1976  
Fewest — 1655 in 1971  
Most Against — 3123 in 1962  
Fewest Against — 1442 in 1970

## Total Net Yards Gained

Most — 4955 in 1975  
Fewest — 3350 in 1971  
Most Against — 5593 in 1961  
Fewest Against — 2720 in 1969

## Passes Attempted

Most — 446 in 1975  
Fewest — 282 in 1968  
Most Against — 410 in 1969  
Fewest Against — 314 in 1967

## Passes Completed

Most — 281 in 1975  
Fewest — 150 in 1967  
Most Against — 233 in 1963  
Fewest Against — 149 in 1967

## Passes Intercepted By

Most — 30 in 1969

Fewest — 11 in 1963  
Most Against — 31 in 1962  
Fewest Against — 9 in 1973

## Pass Completion Percentage

Highest — 63.0 in 1975  
Lowest — 44.6 in 1967  
Highest Against — 58.7 in 1968  
Lowest Against — 47.4 in 1967

## Punt Return Average

Highest — 13.4 yds in 1961  
Lowest — 3.0 yds in 1967  
Highest Against — 13.4 yds in 1961  
Lowest Against — 4.2 yds in 1967

## Kickoff Return Average

Highest — 23.4 yds in 1970  
Lowest — 18.9 yds in 1966  
Highest Against — 28.0 yds in 1963  
Lowest Against — 17.4 yds in 1974

## Yards Penalized

Most — 1075 in 1967  
Fewest — 375 in 1961  
Most Against — 906 in 1967  
Fewest Against — 490 in 1972

## Number of Fumbles

Most — 45 in 1963 (18 lost)  
Fewest — 17 in 1969 (12 lost)  
Most Against — 50 in 1963 (31 lost)  
Fewest Against — 24 in 1965, 1966, 1969, 1976

## Ball Lost on Fumbles

Most — 25 in 1965 (41 fumbles)  
Fewest — 11 in 1974 (24 fumbles)  
Most Against — 31 in 1963 (50 fumbles)  
Fewest Against — 8 in 1966 (24 fumbles)

## Points Scored

Most — 383 in 1965  
Fewest — 233 in 1967  
Most Against — 410 in 1962  
Fewest Against — \*133 in 1969  
\*NFL Record

## Victories

Most — 12 in 1969, 1970, 1973, 1975  
Fewest — 2 in 1962

## Consecutive Victories

12 in 1969 (one season)  
13 in 1974-1975 (more than one season)

## Consecutive Victories to Open Season

10 in 1975

# VIKING TEAM SINGLE-GAME RECORDS

## POINTS SCORED

### Most —

54 vs Dal, 18 Oct 70  
52 vs Balt, 28 Sept 69  
52 vs Pitt, 23 Nov 69

### Fewest —

0 vs Dal, 8 Oct 61  
0 vs Chi, 7 Oct 62  
0 vs Cin, 2 Dec 73

### Most Against —

56 by StL, 6 Oct 63  
52 by Chi, 17 Dec 61

### Fewest Against —

0 vs Chi, 12 Oct 69; 11 Oct 70; 3 Nov 74  
0 vs Det, 27 Nov 69  
0 vs NO, 27 Sept 70  
0 vs Buf, 3 Oct 71  
0 vs Phil, 10 Oct 71  
0 vs GB, 14 Nov 71  
0 vs Atl, 9 Nov 75

## MARGIN OF VICTORY

### Largest by Vikings

48 vs Clev, 9 Nov 69 (51-3)  
41 vs Dal, 18 Oct 70 (54-13)  
41 vs Houst 13 Oct 74 (51-10)

### Largest by Opponent

42 by StL, 6 Oct 63 (14-56)  
36 by LA, 22 Sept 67 (3-39)

## NET YARDS GAINED, RUSHING AND PASSING

### Most —

622 vs Balt, 28 Sept 69  
559 vs SF, 30 Oct 66  
549 vs Balt, 13 Sept 64

### Fewest —

87 vs GB, 14 Nov 71  
126 vs Det, 29 Nov 61  
127 vs LA, 1 Dec 68

### Most Against —

576 by Balt, 16 Dec 62  
552 by Chi, 17 Dec 61

### Fewest Against —

60 vs Atl, 9 Nov 75  
60 vs NO, 16 Nov 75

## YARDS GAINED RUSHING

### Most —

313 vs Balt, 13 Sept 64  
304 vs Chi, 17 Oct 65

### Fewest —

43 vs Det, 20 Sept 71

### Most Against —

324 by SF, 15 Oct 61

### Fewest Against —

12 by SF, 14 Dec 69

## NET YARDS GAINED PASSING

### Most —

530 vs Balt, 28 Sept 69

### Fewest —

21 vs GB, 14 Nov 71

### Most Against —

451 by Balt, 16 Dec 62

### Fewest Against —

-7 by NO, 16 Nov 75

## PASS COMPLETIONS

### Most —

36 vs Balt, 28 Sept 69 (56 att)

### Fewest —

2 vs GB, 15 Oct 67 (11 att)

### Most Against —

31 by SF, 14 Oct 73 (48 att)  
26 by SF, 14 Dec 69 (48 att)  
26 by Chi, 11 Nov 62 (42 att)

### Fewest Against —

2 by Chi, 3 Dec 72 (13 att)

## INTERCEPTIONS

### Most by Vikings —

5 vs Chi, 11 Nov 62  
5 vs SF, 25 Oct 64  
5 vs SF, 16 Dec 72  
5 vs Atl, 9 Nov 75

### Most by Opponent —

5 by GB, 16 Sept 62  
5 by Det, 9 Dec 62  
5 by Det, 13 Nov 66

## FIRST DOWNS

### Most —

34 vs Balt, 28 Sept 69

### Fewest —

5 vs GB, 14 Nov 71

# VIKING INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

## SCORING

### Most Points

Lifetime — 1316 Fred Cox  
456 Bill Brown  
Season — 132 Chuck Foreman 1975  
Game — 24 Chuck Foreman vs Buffalo, Dec. 20, 1975

### Touchdowns

Lifetime — 73, Bill Brown  
57, Chuck Foreman  
Season — 22 Chuck Foreman 1975  
Game — 4, Chuck Foreman vs Buffalo, Dec. 20, 1975

### Field Goals

Lifetime — 274, Fred Cox  
Season — 30, Fred Cox, 1970  
Game — 5, Fred Cox vs Chicago, Sept. 23, 1973  
Longest — 53, Fred Cox vs Green Bay, Dec. 5, 1965

### Conversions

Lifetime — 494, Fred Cox  
Season — 44, Fred Cox, 1965

### Most Consecutive Games Field Goals

31, Fred Cox (5 games 1968 to 12 games 1970) NFL record

### Most Consecutive Games Scoring

151, Fred Cox, NFL record

## PASS INTERCEPTIONS

### Most Interceptions, by

Vikings Career — 48, Paul Krause  
(Paul Krause Lifetime — 76)  
Season — 10, Paul Krause, 1975  
Game — 3, Roy Winston vs San Francisco, Oct. 25, 1964  
Earsell Mackbee vs Detroit, Oct. 26, 1969  
Bobby Bryant vs Cleveland, Nov. 9, 1969  
Ed Sharockman vs Boston, Dec. 13, 1970  
Bobby Bryant vs Green Bay, Dec. 8, 1973

## RUSHING

### Most Attempts

Viking Career — 1786, Bill Brown  
(Bill Brown Lifetime — 1808)  
Season — 280, Chuck Foreman, 1975  
Game — 33, Chuck Foreman vs San Diego, Nov. 23, 1975 (127 yds)

### Most Yards Gained

Vikings Career — 5757, Bill Brown  
(Bill Brown Lifetime — 5838)  
Season — 1070, Chuck Foreman, 1975  
Game — 200, Chuck Foreman vs Philadelphia, Oct. 24, 1976 (28 attempts)  
155, Dave Osborn vs Green Bay, Dec. 3, 1967  
155, Clinton Jones vs Atlanta, Nov. 28, 1971  
Longest run from scrimmage  
80, Clinton Jones vs Chicago, Nov. 2, 1969 (touchdown)  
73, Dave Osborn vs San Francisco, Sept. 17, 1967 (touchdown)

### Most Games, 100 Yards or More

Career — 11, Chuck Foreman  
Season — 5, Chuck Foreman, 1975

## PUNTING

### Most Punts

Season — 89, Bob Lee, 1971 (39.6 avg)  
Game — 9, Bobby Walden vs Los Angeles, Nov. 29, 1964 (41.2 avg)  
9, Bobby Walden vs Detroit, Nov. 12, 1967 (38.0 avg)  
9, Bob Lee vs Green Bay, Nov. 14, 1971 (40.2 avg)

### Fewest Punts

Game — 0, Neil Clabo vs Detroit, Nov. 7, 1976

### Best Punting Average

Season — 46.4, Bobby Walden, 1964 (72 punts)

### Longest Punt

77, Mike Mercer vs Green Bay, Sept. 19, 1962  
76, Bobby Walden vs Baltimore, Oct. 22, 1967

## COMBINED NET YARDAGE

### (Includes rushing, pass receptions, kick returns)

Vikings Career — 9198, Bill Brown (5716 Rushing, 3136 Receiving, 245 Returns)  
Bill Brown Lifetime — 9339 (5838 rushing, 3183 receiving, 318 returns)  
Season — 1761 Chuck Foreman, 1975

## PASSING

### Most Passes Attempted

Viking Career — 3739 Francis Tarkenton  
(Tarkenton Lifetime — 5637) NFL Record  
Season — 425 Francis Tarkenton 1975  
Game — 46, Fran Tarkenton vs Chicago Oct. 31, 1976

### Most Passes Completed

Viking Career — 2135 Francis Tarkenton  
(Tarkenton Lifetime — 3186) NFL Record  
Season — 273 Francis Tarkenton, 1975  
Game — 28 Joe Kapp vs Baltimore Sept. 28, 1969

### Best Passing Percentage

Viking Career — 57.1 Francis Tarkenton  
(Tarkenton Lifetime — 56.5)  
Season — 64.2 Francis Tarkenton, 1975  
Game — 84%, Fran Tarkenton vs Seattle, Nov. 14, 1976 (26 of 31)

### Most Yards Gained Passing

Viking Career — 27,896 Francis Tarkenton  
(Tarkenton Lifetime — 41,801) NFL Record  
Season — 2994 Francis Tarkenton, 1975  
Game — 449 Joe Kapp vs Baltimore Sept. 28, 1969  
407 Francis Tarkenton vs San Francisco Oct. 24, 1965

### Most Touchdown Passes

Viking Career — 205 Francis Tarkenton  
(Tarkenton Lifetime — 308) NFL Record  
Season — 25 Francis Tarkenton, 1975  
Game — 7 Joe Kapp vs Baltimore Sept. 28, 1969  
(Equals NFL Record)

### Lowest Interception Percentage

Viking Career — 4.0 Francis Tarkenton  
(Tarkenton Lifetime — 3.9)  
Season — 1.9 Francis Tarkenton, 1976

### Most Consecutive Pass Completions

13, Francis Tarkenton vs Los Angeles, Dec. 3, 1961  
11, Joe Kapp vs Atlanta, Sept. 14, 1968

**Most Consecutive Pass Attempts Without Interception**

155 — Francis Tarkenton, Nov. 7 to Dec. 5, 1976

**Most Consecutive Games Touchdown Pass Thrown**

13 — Francis Tarkenton (1 Game 1974, 12 Games 1975)

**Longest Pass for Touchdown**

89 — Francis Tarkenton to Charley Ferguson vs Chicago, Nov. 11, 1962

85 — Joe Kapp to Gene Washington vs St. Louis, Oct. 8, 1967

**PASS RECEPTIONS****Most Pass Receptions**

Viking Career — 284, Bill Brown

Lifetime — 286, Bill Brown

Season — 73, Chuck Foreman, 1975

Game — 11, Ed Marinaro vs San Diego, Nov. 23, 1975

**Most Yards Gained**

Viking Career — 3297, John Gilliam

Season — 1035 John Gilliam, 1972 (47 rec)

907, John Gilliam, 1973 (42 rec)

906, Sammy White, 1976 (51 rec)

Game — 210, Sammy White vs Detroit, Nov. 7, 1976 (7 rec)

**Most Touchdown Receptions**

Lifetime — 27, John Gilliam

Season — 11, Jerry Reichow, 1961

10, Sammy White, 1976

Game — 3, Jerry Reichow vs Chicago, Dec. 17, 1961

Charley Ferguson vs Chicago, Nov. 11, 1962

Gene Washington vs Cleveland, Nov. 9, 1969

Sammy White vs Miami, Dec. 11, 1976

**Most Consecutive Games Touchdown Pass Caught**

3, Paul Flatley, 1963 and 1965

3, Jerry Reichow, 1961

3, Tommy Mason, 1962

3, Gordon Smith, 1965

3, Preston Carpenter, 1966

3, Gene Washington, 1969

3, John Gilliam, 1972

3, John Gilliam, 1973

**Most Games One Season with Touchdown Reception**

8, Jerry Reichow, 1961

8, Bill Brown, 1964

**MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS****Punt Returns**

198 — Charlie West vs Wash, Nov. 3, 1968

181 — Hugh McElhenny vs Chi, Dec. 17, 1961

81 — Bob Grim vs NY, Nov. 5, 1967

**Kickoff Returns**

1101 — Lance Rentzel vs Baltimore, Nov. 14, 1965

196 — Clinton Jones vs NY, Nov. 5, 1967

92 — Dave Osborn vs Los Angeles, Oct. 3, 1965

**Interception Returns**

89 — Charlie West vs Chicago, Dec. 19, 1971

81 — Paul Krause vs San Diego, Nov. 23, 1975

**Fumble Return**

188 — Ed Sharockman vs Detroit, Dec. 9, 1962

**Most Consecutive League Games**

236 — Jim Marshall (NFL Record)

210 — Mick Tingelhoff

**Most Consecutive Games — One Club**

224 — Jim Marshall (NFL Record)

**Most Opponent's Fumbles Recovered**

26 — Jim Marshall (NFL Record)

**Most Consecutive Seasons**

**2,000-plus yards passing**

15 — Fran Tarkenton (NFL Record)

**Most Consecutive Seasons**

**1,000-plus yards passing**

16 — Fran Tarkenton (NFL Record)

**Most Pass Receptions by Viking Rookie**

51 — Paul Flatley, 1963

51 — Sammy White, 1976

**Most Pass Receptions by**

**Viking Wide Receiver**

55 — Ahmad Rashad, 1976

## 1977 Hotels

Los Angeles

Baltimore

Cincinnati

Buffalo

Tampa

Atlanta

Chicago

Green Bay

Oakland

Detroit

University Hilton (213) 748-4141

Cross Keys Inn (301) 532-6900

Stouffers (513) 721-8600

Sheraton Inn East (716) 681-2400

Causeway Inn (813) 884-7561

Marriott (404) 659-6500

Water Tower Hyatt House (312) 943-5600

Port Plaza Inn (414) 432-4811

Berkeley Marriott (415) 548-7920

Northfield Hilton Inn (313) 879-2100

# 1976 NFL LEADERS

| Passing                | Att | Comp | Pct Comp | Yds  | Avg Gain | TD | Pct TD | Long | Int | Pct Int | Rtg Pts |
|------------------------|-----|------|----------|------|----------|----|--------|------|-----|---------|---------|
| Stabler, Ken, Oak.     | 291 | 194  | 66.7     | 2737 | 9.41     | 27 | 9.3    | 188  | 17  | 5.8     | 103.7   |
| Jones, Bert, Balt.     | 343 | 207  | 60.3     | 3104 | 9.05     | 24 | 7.0    | 179  | 9   | 2.6     | 102.6   |
| Ferguson, Joe, Buff.   | 151 | 74   | 49.0     | 1086 | 7.19     | 9  | 6.0    | 158  | 1   | 0.7     | 90.0    |
| Harris, James, L.A.    | 158 | 91   | 57.6     | 1460 | 9.24     | 8  | 5.1    | 180  | 6   | 3.8     | 89.8    |
| Landry, Greg, Det.     | 291 | 168  | 57.7     | 2191 | 7.53     | 17 | 5.8    | 174  | 8   | 2.7     | 89.6    |
| Tarkenton, Fran, Minn. | 412 | 255  | 61.9     | 2961 | 7.19     | 17 | 4.1    | 156  | 8   | 1.9     | 89.4    |
| Hart, Jim, St. L.      | 388 | 218  | 56.2     | 2946 | 7.59     | 18 | 4.6    | 177  | 13  | 3.4     | 81.7    |
| Staebach, Roger, Dall. | 369 | 208  | 56.4     | 2715 | 7.36     | 14 | 3.8    | 53   | 11  | 3.0     | 79.9    |
| Griese, Bob, Mia.      | 272 | 162  | 59.6     | 2097 | 7.71     | 11 | 4.0    | 147  | 12  | 4.4     | 78.9    |
| Livingston, Mike, K.C. | 338 | 189  | 55.9     | 2682 | 7.93     | 12 | 3.6    | 57   | 13  | 3.8     | 77.9    |

| Receiving       | NO | Yds | Avg  | LG  | TD | Kickoff Returns  | No | Yds | Avg  | LG  | TD |
|-----------------|----|-----|------|-----|----|------------------|----|-----|------|-----|----|
| Lane, K.C.      | 66 | 686 | 10.4 | 44  | 1  | Harris, Mia.     | 17 | 559 | 32.9 | 69  | 0  |
| Chandler, Buff. | 61 | 824 | 13.5 | 158 | 10 | Bryant, L.A.     | 16 | 459 | 28.7 | 190 | 1  |
| Mitchell, Balt. | 60 | 555 | 9.3  | 140 | 3  | Phillips, N.E.   | 14 | 397 | 28.4 | 71  | 0  |
| Pearson, Dall.  | 58 | 806 | 13.9 | 140 | 6  | Perrin, Den.     | 14 | 391 | 27.9 | 43  | 0  |
| Foreman, Minn.  | 55 | 567 | 10.3 | 141 | 1  | Williams, K.C.   | 25 | 688 | 27.5 | 64  | 0  |
| Largent, Sea.   | 54 | 705 | 13.1 | 45  | 4  | Hunter, Det.     | 14 | 375 | 26.8 | 84  | 0  |
| Galbreath, N.O. | 54 | 420 | 7.8  | 35  | 1  | Jennings, Oak.   | 16 | 417 | 26.1 | 55  | 0  |
| Casper, Oak.    | 53 | 691 | 13.0 | 130 | 10 | Baschnagel, Chi. | 29 | 754 | 26.0 | 48  | 0  |
| Rashad, Minn.   | 53 | 671 | 12.7 | 47  | 3  | McCoy, G.B.      | 18 | 457 | 25.4 | 65  | 0  |
| Harris, St. L.  | 52 | 782 | 15.0 | 40  | 1  | Shelby, Cin.     | 30 | 761 | 25.4 | 197 | 1  |

| Rushing          | Att | Yds  | Avg | LG  | TD | Punting          | No  | Yds  | LG | Av   | TB | Blk |
|------------------|-----|------|-----|-----|----|------------------|-----|------|----|------|----|-----|
| Simpson, Buff.   | 290 | 1503 | 5.2 | 175 | 8  | Bateman, Buff.   | 86  | 3678 | 78 | 42.8 | 14 | 1   |
| Payton, Chi.     | 311 | 1390 | 4.5 | 60  | 13 | James, Atl.      | 101 | 4253 | 67 | 42.1 | 12 | 0   |
| Williams, S.F.   | 248 | 1203 | 4.9 | 180 | 7  | Wilson, K.C.     | 65  | 2729 | 62 | 42.0 | 8  | 1   |
| Mitchell, Balt.  | 289 | 1200 | 4.2 | 43  | 5  | Guy, Oak.        | 67  | 2785 | 66 | 41.6 | 15 | 0   |
| McCutcheon, L.A. | 291 | 1168 | 4.0 | 40  | 9  | Jennings, N.Y.G. | 74  | 3054 | 61 | 41.3 | 10 | 3   |
| Foreman, Minn.   | 278 | 1155 | 4.2 | 46  | 13 | Wittum, S.F.     | 89  | 3634 | 68 | 40.8 | 10 | 2   |
| Harris, Pitt.    | 289 | 1128 | 3.9 | 30  | 14 | West, S.D.       | 38  | 1548 | 57 | 40.7 | 5  | 0   |
| Thomas, Wash.    | 254 | 1101 | 4.3 | 28  | 5  | Patrick, N.E.    | 67  | 2688 | 52 | 40.1 | 12 | 0   |
| Bleier, Pitt.    | 220 | 1036 | 4.7 | 28  | 5  | Carrell, N.Y.J.  | 81  | 3218 | 72 | 39.7 | 6  | 0   |
| van Eeghen, Oak. | 233 | 1012 | 4.3 | 21  | 3  | Lee, Balt.       | 59  | 2342 | 56 | 39.7 | 3  | 0   |

| Interceptions    | No | Yds | Avg  | LG  | TD | Scoring — TDs    | Tot | Rush | Pass | Misc | Pts |
|------------------|----|-----|------|-----|----|------------------|-----|------|------|------|-----|
| Jackson, L.A.    | 10 | 173 | 17.3 | 146 | 3  | Foreman, Minn.   | 14  | 13   | 1    | 0    | 84  |
| Riley, Cin.      | 9  | 141 | 15.7 | 153 | 1  | Harris, Pitt.    | 14  | 14   | 0    | 0    | 84  |
| Haynes, N.E.     | 8  | 90  | 11.3 | 28  | 0  | Grogan, N.E.     | 13  | 12   | 0    | 1    | 78  |
| Perry, L.A.      | 8  | 79  | 9.9  | 43  | 0  | Payton, Chi.     | 13  | 13   | 0    | 0    | 78  |
| Lavender, Wash.  | 8  | 77  | 9.6  | 28  | 0  | Branch, Oak.     | 12  | 0    | 12   | 0    | 72  |
| Jackson, Den.    | 7  | 136 | 19.4 | 146 | 1  | Carr, Balt.      | 11  | 0    | 11   | 0    | 66  |
| Hunter, Det.     | 7  | 120 | 17.1 | 139 | 1  | McCauley, Balt.  | 11  | 9    | 2    | 0    | 66  |
| Darden, Clev.    | 7  | 73  | 10.4 | 21  | 0  | McCutcheon, L.A. | 11  | 9    | 2    | 0    | 66  |
| Brupbacher, Chi. | 7  | 49  | 7.0  | 25  | 0  | Casper, Oak.     | 10  | 0    | 10   | 0    | 60  |
| Wright, Minn.    | 7  | 47  | 6.7  | 21  | 0  | Chandler, Buff.  | 10  | 0    | 10   | 0    | 60  |
|                  |    |     |      |     |    | Johnson, N.E.    | 10  | 6    | 4    | 0    | 60  |
|                  |    |     |      |     |    | White, Minn.     | 10  | 0    | 10   | 0    | 60  |

| Punt Returns    | No | FC | Yds | Avg  | LG  | TD |                |    |    |    |    |     |  |  |
|-----------------|----|----|-----|------|-----|----|----------------|----|----|----|----|-----|--|--|
| Upchurch, Den.  | 39 | 3  | 536 | 13.7 | 192 | 4  | Linhart, Balt. | 49 | 50 | 20 | 27 | 109 |  |  |
| Haynes, N.E.    | 45 | 0  | 608 | 13.5 | 189 | 2  | Moseley, Wash. | 31 | 32 | 22 | 34 | 97  |  |  |
| Brown, Wash.    | 48 | 8  | 646 | 13.5 | 171 | 1  | Bakken, St.L.  | 33 | 35 | 20 | 27 | 93  |  |  |
| Fuller, S.D.    | 33 | 0  | 436 | 13.2 | 43  | 0  | Stenerud, K.C. | 27 | 33 | 21 | 38 | 90  |  |  |
| Brunson, K.C.   | 31 | 0  | 387 | 12.5 | 48  | 0  | Cox, Minn.     | 32 | 36 | 19 | 31 | 89  |  |  |
| Bryant, L.A.    | 29 | 2  | 321 | 11.1 | 25  | 0  | Herrera, Dall. | 34 | 34 | 18 | 23 | 88  |  |  |
| Metcalf, St.L.  | 17 | 1  | 188 | 11.1 | 39  | 0  | Dempsey, L.A.  | 36 | 44 | 17 | 26 | 87  |  |  |
| Colzie, Oak.    | 41 | 3  | 448 | 10.9 | 32  | 0  | Smith, N.E.    | 42 | 46 | 15 | 25 | 87  |  |  |
| Johnson, Dall.  | 45 | 11 | 489 | 10.9 | 55  | 0  | Gerela, Pitt.  | 40 | 43 | 14 | 26 | 82  |  |  |
| Marshall, Phil. | 27 | 9  | 290 | 10.7 | 29  | 0  | Bahr, Cin.     | 39 | 42 | 14 | 27 | 81  |  |  |
|                 |    |    |     |      |     |    | Turner, Den.   | 36 | 39 | 15 | 21 | 81  |  |  |

# VIKING PRE-SEASON RESULTS

## 1961 (0-5)

|                                  |       |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| Dallas at Sioux Falls (4,954)    | 13-38 |
| Baltimore at Baltimore (10,203)  | 3-13  |
| San Fran. at Portland (27,044)   | 10-14 |
| Chicago at Cedar Rapids (12,500) | 7-30  |
| Los Angeles at Met (27,982)      | 17-21 |

## 1962 (2-3)

|                                   |       |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| San Francisco at Seattle (22,500) | 24-30 |
| Los Angeles at Portland (23,544)  | 24-33 |
| St. Louis at Mpls-Parade (15,500) | 21-24 |
| Baltimore at Met (29,544)         | 24-13 |
| Dallas at Atlanta (12,500)        | 45-26 |

## 1963 (4-1)

|                                  |       |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| San Fran. at Portland (20,837)   | 43-28 |
| Los Angeles at L.A. (42,966)     | 27-3  |
| New York at Met (29,815)         | 17-16 |
| Philadelphia at Hershey (15,861) | 27-34 |
| St. Louis at St. Louis (30,842)  | 35-0  |

## 1964 (5-0)

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| New York at Met (31,581)        | 21-7  |
| St. Louis at Atlanta (9,500)    | 24-10 |
| San Fran. at Salt Lake (20,207) | 24-21 |
| Los Angeles at L.A. (39,938)    | 34-23 |
| Philadelphia at Hershey (9,212) | 21-20 |

## 1965 (5-0)

|                                  |       |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| Pittsburgh at Atlanta (39,240)   | 31-21 |
| Philadelphia at Met (43,125)     | 35-21 |
| Washington at Charlotte (20,426) | 20-16 |
| Dallas at Birmingham (41,500)    | 57-17 |
| New York at Omaha (14,250)       | 24-9  |

## 1966 (3-1-1)

|                                  |       |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| Detroit at New Orleans (38,500)  | 6-6   |
| Pittsburgh at Portland (21,228)  | 35-6  |
| Los Angeles at Met (40,270)      | 24-10 |
| Washington at Cleveland (83,414) | 30-27 |
| Dallas at Dallas (58,316)        | 24-28 |

## 1967 (2-3)

|                                |       |
|--------------------------------|-------|
| Philadelphia at Tulsa (24,500) | 34-0  |
| Denver at Denver (31,850)      | 9-14  |
| New York at New Haven (43,584) | 3-21  |
| Atlanta at Cleveland (84,236)  | 16-3  |
| Cleveland at Met (40,012)      | 14-42 |

## 1968 (3-2)

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Kansas City at Met (46,228)     | 10-13 |
| Denver at Denver (20,901)       | 39-16 |
| Philadelphia at Met (41,229)    | 52-10 |
| St. Louis at St. Louis (25,233) | 28-31 |
| New Orleans at Shreve (23,000)  | 20-17 |

## 1969 (5-1)

|                         |       |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Miami at Tampa (37,219) | 45-10 |
| Denver at Met (45,916)  | 26-6  |

|                                  |       |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| St. Louis at Memphis (34,417)    | 41-13 |
| N.Y. Jets at Win.-Salem (31,500) | 21-24 |
| New York Giants at Met (47,900)  | 28-27 |
| Cleveland at Akron (28,561)      | 23-16 |

## 1970 (4-2)

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| New Orleans at Canton (17,932)  | 13-14 |
| Pittsburgh at Met (45,591)      | 13-20 |
| Houston at Houston (44,563)     | 14-7  |
| New York Jets at Met (47,900)   | 52-21 |
| Cleveland at Cleveland (83,043) | 24-21 |
| Chicago at Chicago (46,630)     | 31-30 |

## 1971 (5-1)

|                                   |       |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| New England at U of M (31,813)    | 17-10 |
| San Diego at San Diego (49,267)   | 34-7  |
| Chicago at Met (47,900)           | 34-14 |
| Pittsburgh at Pittsburgh (46,276) | 26-21 |
| Denver at Denver (43,000)         | 7-14  |
| Miami at Met (47,900)             | 24-0  |

## 1972 (3-2)

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| San Diego at Met (47,900)       | 24-13 |
| Buffalo at Buffalo (41,006)     | 10-21 |
| Cleveland at Cleveland (70,583) | 20-17 |
| Houston at Met (47,900)         | 26-14 |
| Miami at Miami (74,298)         | 19-21 |

## 1973 (5-0)

|                                     |       |
|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Pittsburgh at Met (46,619)          | 10-6  |
| Kansas City at Kansas City (72,676) | 13-10 |
| Oakland at Oakland (57,515)         | 34-10 |
| Miami at Met (46,619)               | 20-17 |
| San Diego at San Diego (42,007)     | 24-16 |

## 1974 (3-2)

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Denver at Denver (23,822)       | 21-27 |
| Miami at Miami (67,963)         | 9-21  |
| Buffalo at Met (46,553)         | 32-13 |
| St. Louis at St. Louis (42,544) | 14-10 |
| San Diego at Met (46,553)       | 42-0  |

## 1975 (2-3-1)

|                                     |       |
|-------------------------------------|-------|
| New York Jets at Phoenix (51,323)   | 15-20 |
| New England at New England (40,218) | 10-36 |
| Dallas at Dallas (45,395)           | 16-13 |
| Miami at Met (47,653)               | 20-7  |
| St. Louis at Met (46,975)           | 6-13  |
| San Diego at San Diego (31,642)     | 14-14 |

## 1976 (3-3-0)

|                                     |       |
|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Miami at Miami (39,939)             | 3-16  |
| Kansas City at Kansas City (32,851) | 13-10 |
| Cleveland at Cleveland (44,336)     | 7-31  |
| Cincinnati at Met (43,784)          | 23-17 |
| Philadelphia at Met (46,512)        | 20-16 |
| Denver at Denver (52,129)           | 17-30 |

# VIKING SCORES, 1961-76

## — 1961 —

|    |                         |    |    |                           |    |
|----|-------------------------|----|----|---------------------------|----|
| 37 | Chicago (32,236)        | 13 | 17 | at Los Angeles (38,594)   | 31 |
| 7  | at Dallas (12,992)      | 21 | 28 | Baltimore (38,010)        | 20 |
| 33 | at Baltimore (54,259)   | 34 | 10 | Detroit (32,296)          | 37 |
| 0  | Dallas (33,070)         | 28 | 28 | at San Francisco (43,905) | 38 |
| 24 | San Francisco (34,415)  | 38 | 42 | Los Angeles (30,068)      | 21 |
| 7  | Green Bay (42,007)      | 33 | 7  | at Detroit (42,655)       | 13 |
| 10 | Green Bay (Mwk.—44,112) | 28 | 35 | at Chicago (34,539)       | 52 |

**WON 3 LOST 11**

**POINTS—285 OPPONENTS—407**

## — 1962 —

|    |                           |    |    |                        |    |
|----|---------------------------|----|----|------------------------|----|
| 7  | at Green Bay (38,669)     | 34 | 31 | at Pittsburgh (14,642) | 39 |
| 7  | Baltimore (30,787)        | 34 | 30 | at Chicago (46,984)    | 31 |
| 7  | at San Francisco (38,407) | 21 | 6  | Detroit (31,257)       | 17 |
| 0  | Chicago (33,141)          | 13 | 24 | Los Angeles (26,728)   | 24 |
| 21 | Green Bay (41,475)        | 48 | 12 | San Francisco (33,076) | 35 |
| 38 | at Los Angeles (33,071)   | 14 | 23 | at Detroit (42,256)    | 37 |
| 31 | Philadelphia (30,071)     | 21 | 14 | at Baltimore (53,645)  | 42 |

**WON 2 LOST 11 TIED 1**

**POINTS—254 OPPONENTS—410**

## — 1963 —

|    |                           |    |    |                          |    |
|----|---------------------------|----|----|--------------------------|----|
| 24 | at San Francisco (30,781) | 20 | 21 | Los Angeles (33,567)     | 13 |
| 7  | Chicago (33,923)          | 28 | 7  | at Green Bay (42,327)    | 28 |
| 45 | San Francisco (28,567)    | 14 | 34 | Baltimore (33,136)       | 37 |
| 14 | St. Louis (30,220)        | 56 | 34 | Detroit (28,763)         | 31 |
| 28 | Green Bay (42,567)        | 37 | 17 | at Chicago (47,249)      | 17 |
| 24 | at Los Angeles (30,555)   | 27 | 10 | at Baltimore (54,122)    | 41 |
| 10 | at Detroit (44,509)       | 28 | 34 | at Philadelphia (54,403) | 13 |

**WON 5 LOST 8 TIED 1**

**POINTS—309 OPPONENTS—390**

## — 1964 —

|    |                           |    |    |                        |    |
|----|---------------------------|----|----|------------------------|----|
| 34 | Baltimore (35,563)        | 24 | 13 | Green Bay (44,278)     | 42 |
| 28 | Chicago (41,387)          | 34 | 24 | San Francisco (40,408) | 7  |
| 13 | at Los Angeles (50,009)   | 22 | 14 | at Baltimore (60,213)  | 17 |
| 24 | at Green Bay (42,327)     | 23 | 23 | at Detroit (48,291)    | 23 |
| 20 | Detroit (40,840)          | 24 | 34 | Los Angeles (31,677)   | 13 |
| 30 | Pittsburgh (39,873)       | 10 | 30 | at New York (62,802)   | 21 |
| 27 | at San Francisco (31,845) | 22 | 41 | at Chicago (46,486)    | 14 |

**WON 8 LOST 5 TIED 1**

**POINTS—355 OPPONENTS—296**

## — 1965 —

|    |                           |    |    |                        |    |
|----|---------------------------|----|----|------------------------|----|
| 16 | at Baltimore (56,562)     | 35 | 24 | Los Angeles (47,426)   | 13 |
| 29 | Detroit (46,826)          | 31 | 21 | Baltimore (47,426)     | 41 |
| 38 | at Los Angeles (36,755)   | 35 | 13 | Green Bay (47,426)     | 38 |
| 40 | New York (44,283)         | 14 | 24 | San Francisco (40,306) | 45 |
| 37 | Chicago (47,426)          | 45 | 19 | at Green Bay (50,852)  | 24 |
| 42 | at San Francisco (42,680) | 41 | 29 | at Detroit (45,420)    | 7  |
| 27 | at Cleveland (83,505)     | 17 | 24 | at Chicago (46,604)    | 17 |

**WON 7 LOST 7**

**POINTS—383 OPPONENTS—403**

## — 1966 —

|    |                           |    |    |                         |    |
|----|---------------------------|----|----|-------------------------|----|
| 20 | at San Francisco (29,312) | 20 | 20 | at Green Bay (50,861)   | 17 |
| 23 | Baltimore (47,426)        | 38 | 31 | Detroit (43,939)        | 32 |
| 17 | at Dallas (64,116)        | 28 | 6  | at Los Angeles (38,775) | 21 |
| 10 | Chicago (47,426)          | 13 | 16 | Green Bay (47,426)      | 28 |
| 35 | Los Angeles (47,426)      | 7  | 13 | Atlanta (37,117)        | 20 |
| 17 | at Baltimore (60,238)     | 20 | 28 | at Detroit (43,022)     | 16 |
| 28 | San Francisco (45,077)    | 3  | 28 | at Chicago (45,191)     | 41 |

**WON 4 LOST 9 TIED 1**

**POINTS—292 OPPONENTS—304**

## — 1967 —

|    |                         |    |                        |    |
|----|-------------------------|----|------------------------|----|
| 21 | San Francisco (39,638)  | 27 | New York (44,960)      | 24 |
| 3  | at Los Angeles (52,255) | 39 | Detroit (40,032)       | 10 |
| 7  | Chicago (44,868)        | 17 | at Cleveland (68,431)  | 14 |
| 24 | St. Louis (40,017)      | 34 | at Pittsburgh (23,773) | 27 |
| 10 | at Green Bay (49,601)   | 7  | Green Bay (47,693)     | 30 |
| 20 | Baltimore (47,693)      | 20 | at Chicago (40,110)    | 10 |
| 20 | at Atlanta (52,859)     | 21 | 3 at Detroit (44,874)  | 14 |

**WON 3 LOST 8 TIED 3**

**POINTS—233 OPPONENTS—294**

## — 1968 —

|    |                         |    |                              |    |
|----|-------------------------|----|------------------------------|----|
| 47 | Atlanta (45,563)        | 7  | Washington (47,644)          | 14 |
| 26 | at Green Bay (49,346)   | 13 | 14 Green Bay (47,644)        | 10 |
| 17 | Chicago (47,644)        | 27 | 13 at Detroit (48,654)       | 6  |
| 24 | Detroit (44,289)        | 10 | 9 at Baltimore (60,238)      | 21 |
| 17 | at New Orleans (71,105) | 20 | 3 Los Angeles (47,644)       | 31 |
| 7  | Dallas (47,644)         | 20 | 30 at San Francisco (29,049) | 20 |
| 24 | at Chicago (46,562)     | 26 | 24 at Philadelphia (54,530)  | 17 |

**WON 8 LOST 6 TIED 0**

**POINTS—282 OPPONENTS—242**

## — 1969 —

|    |                             |    |                            |    |
|----|-----------------------------|----|----------------------------|----|
| 23 | at New York Giants (62,900) | 24 | 51 Cleveland (47,900)      | 3  |
| 52 | Baltimore (47,900)          | 14 | 9 at Green Bay (48,321)    | 7  |
| 19 | Green Bay (60,740)          | 7  | 52 Pittsburgh (47,202)     | 14 |
| 31 | at Chicago (45,757)         | 0  | 27 at Detroit (57,906)     | 0  |
| 27 | at St. Louis (49,430)       | 10 | 20 at Los Angeles (80,430) | 13 |
| 24 | Detroit (47,900)            | 10 | 10 San Francisco (43,028)  | 7  |
| 31 | Chicago (47,900)            | 14 | 3 at Atlanta (52,872)      | 10 |

**WON 12 LOST 2 TIED 0**

**POINTS—379 OPPONENTS—133**

## — 1970 —

|    |                       |    |                              |    |
|----|-----------------------|----|------------------------------|----|
| 27 | Kansas City (47,900)  | 10 | 19 at Washington (50,415)    | 10 |
| 26 | New Orleans (47,900)  | 0  | 24 Detroit (47,900)          | 20 |
| 10 | at Green Bay (47,967) | 13 | 10 Green Bay (47,900)        | 3  |
| 24 | at Chicago (45,485)   | 0  | 10 at New York Jets (62,333) | 20 |
| 54 | Dallas (47,900)       | 13 | 16 Chicago (47,900)          | 13 |
| 13 | Los Angeles (47,900)  | 3  | 35 at Boston (37,819)        | 14 |
| 30 | at Detroit (58,210)   | 17 | 37 at Atlanta (57,992)       | 7  |

**WON 12 LOST 2 TIED 0**

**POINTS—335 OPPONENTS—143**

## — 1971 —

|    |                          |    |                            |    |
|----|--------------------------|----|----------------------------|----|
| 16 | at Detroit (54,418)      | 13 | 9 San Francisco (49,784)   | 13 |
| 17 | Chicago (47,900)         | 20 | 3 Green Bay (49,784)       | 0  |
| 19 | Buffalo (47,900)         | 0  | 23 at New Orleans (83,130) | 10 |
| 13 | at Philadelphia (65,358) | 0  | 24 Atlanta (49,784)        | 7  |
| 24 | at Green Bay (56,263)    | 13 | 14 at San Diego (54,505)   | 30 |
| 10 | Baltimore (47,900)       | 3  | 29 Detroit (49,784)        | 10 |
| 17 | at N.Y. Giants (62,829)  | 10 | 27 at Chicago (55,049)     | 10 |

**WON 11 LOST 3 TIED 0**

**POINTS—245 OPPONENTS—139**

## — 1972 —

|    |                       |    |                              |    |
|----|-----------------------|----|------------------------------|----|
| 21 | Washington (47,900)   | 24 | 37 New Orleans (49,784)      | 6  |
| 34 | at Detroit (54,418)   | 10 | 16 Detroit (49,784)          | 14 |
| 14 | Miami (47,900)        | 16 | 45 at Los Angeles (77,982)   | 41 |
| 17 | St. Louis (49,784)    | 19 | 10 at Pittsburgh (50,348)    | 23 |
| 23 | at Denver (51,656)    | 20 | 23 Chicago (49,784)          | 10 |
| 10 | at Chicago (55,701)   | 13 | 7 Green Bay (49,784)         | 23 |
| 27 | at Green Bay (56,263) | 13 | 17 at San Francisco (61,214) | 20 |

**WON 7 LOST 7 TIED 0**

**POINTS—301 OPPONENTS—252**



## — 1973 —

|    |                           |    |    |                        |    |
|----|---------------------------|----|----|------------------------|----|
| 24 | Oakland (46,619)          | 16 | 26 | Cleveland (48,503)     | 3  |
| 22 | at Chicago (55,701)       | 13 | 28 | Detroit (48,503)       | 7  |
| 11 | Green Bay (48,503)        | 3  | 14 | at Atlanta (50,850)    | 20 |
| 23 | at Detroit (54,418)       | 9  | 31 | Chicago (48,503)       | 13 |
| 17 | at San Francisco (59,359) | 13 | 0  | at Cincinnati (59,580) | 27 |
| 28 | Philadelphia (48,503)     | 21 | 31 | at Green Bay (56,267)  | 7  |
| 10 | Los Angeles (48,503)      | 9  | 31 | at New Haven (70,041)  | 7  |

**WON 12 LOST 2**

**POINTS—296 OPPONENTS—168**

## — 1974 —

|    |                       |    |    |                         |    |
|----|-----------------------|----|----|-------------------------|----|
| 32 | at Green Bay (56,312) | 17 | 17 | at Chicago (55,753)     | 0  |
| 7  | at Detroit (49,703)   | 6  | 28 | at St. Louis (51,392)   | 24 |
| 11 | Chicago (46,619)      | 7  | 7  | Green Bay (48,480)      | 19 |
| 23 | at Dallas (60,817)    | 21 | 17 | at Los Angeles (90,266) | 20 |
| 51 | Houston (48,490)      | 10 | 29 | New Orleans (48,456)    | 9  |
| 16 | Detroit (48,501)      | 20 | 23 | Atlanta (48,480)        | 10 |
| 14 | New England (48,497)  | 17 | 35 | at Kansas City (72,474) | 15 |

**WON 10 LOST 4**

**POINTS—310 OPPONENTS—195**

## — 1975 —

|    |                        |    |    |                         |    |
|----|------------------------|----|----|-------------------------|----|
| 27 | San Francisco (48,418) | 17 | 38 | Atlanta (48,446)        | 0  |
| 42 | at Cleveland (65,419)  | 10 | 20 | at New Orleans (60,214) | 7  |
| 28 | Chicago (48,446)       | 3  | 28 | San Diego (48,443)      | 13 |
| 29 | New York Jets (48,444) | 21 | 30 | at Washington (54,311)  | 31 |
| 25 | Detroit (48,446)       | 19 | 24 | Green Bay (48,446)      | 3  |
| 13 | at Chicago (56,302)    | 9  | 10 | at Detroit (78,990)     | 17 |
| 28 | at Green Bay (55,279)  | 17 | 35 | at Buffalo (73,391)     | 13 |

**WON 12 LOST 2**

**POINTS—377 OPPONENTS—180**

## — 1976 —

|    |                          |    |    |                           |    |
|----|--------------------------|----|----|---------------------------|----|
| 40 | at New Orleans (58,156)  | 9  | 13 | at Chicago (56,602)       | 14 |
| 10 | Los Angeles (47,310)     | 10 | 31 | Detroit (46,735)          | 23 |
| 10 | at Detroit (77,292)      | 9  | 27 | Seattle (45,087)          | 21 |
| 17 | Pittsburgh (47,809)      | 6  | 17 | at Green Bay (53,104)     | 10 |
| 20 | Chicago (47,948)         | 19 | 16 | at San Francisco (56,775) | 20 |
| 24 | N.Y. Giants (47,156)     | 7  | 20 | Green Bay (43,700)        | 9  |
| 31 | at Philadelphia (56,233) | 12 | 29 | at Miami (46,543)         | 7  |

**WON 11 LOST 2 TIE 1**

**POINTS—305 OPPONENTS—176**

## VIKINGS POST-SEASON RECORD

\*(Eight victories, eight losses)

1968 — Baltimore 24, Vikings 14 (NFL Western Division playoff); Dallas 17, Vikings 13 (NFL Runnerup game).

1969 — Vikings 23, Los Angeles 20 (NFL Western Division playoff); Vikings 27, Cleveland 7 (NFL Championship); Kansas City 23, Vikings 7 (Super Bowl IV).

1970 — San Francisco 17, Vikings 14 (NFC Divisional playoff).

1971 — Dallas 20, Vikings 12 (NFC Divisional playoff).

1973 — Vikings 27, Washington 20 (NFC Divisional playoff); Vikings 27, Dallas 10 (NFL Championship); Miami 24, Vikings 7 (Super Bowl VIII).

1974 — Vikings 30, St. Louis 14 (NFC Divisional playoff); Vikings 14, Los Angeles 10 (NFL Championship); Pittsburgh 16, Vikings 6 (Super Bowl IX).

1975 — Dallas 17, Vikings 14 (NFC Divisional playoff).

1976 — Vikings 35, Washington 20 (NFC Divisional playoff); Vikings 24, Los Angeles 13 (NFL Championship); Oakland 32, Vikings 14 (Super Bowl XI).

\*Does not count 1968 runnerup game.

# VIKING ATTENDANCE MARKS

## TOTAL ATTENDANCE 14 LEAGUE GAMES

|      |                      |
|------|----------------------|
| 1961 | 513,285 (Avg—36,654) |
| 1962 | 494,209 (Avg—35,301) |
| 1963 | 537,689 (Avg—38,406) |
| 1964 | 615,999 (Avg—44,000) |
| 1965 | 683,497 (Avg—48,821) |
| 1966 | 647,352 (Avg—46,239) |
| 1967 | 636,604 (Avg—45,486) |
| 1968 | 687,556 (Avg—49,111) |
| 1969 | 740,186 (Avg—52,870) |
| 1970 | 680,211 (Avg—48,515) |
| 1971 | 776,272 (Avg—55,448) |
| 1972 | 752,302 (Avg—53,785) |
| 1973 | 743,853 (Avg—53,132) |
| 1974 | 762,344 (Avg—54,453) |
| 1975 | 777,712 (Avg—55,551) |
| 1976 | 771,619 (Avg—55,116) |

## TOTAL HOME ATTENDANCE 7 LEAGUE GAMES

|      |                      |
|------|----------------------|
| 1961 | 242,102 (Avg—34,586) |
| 1962 | 226,535 (Avg—32,362) |
| 1963 | 230,743 (Avg—32,963) |
| 1964 | 274,026 (Avg—39,147) |
| 1965 | 321,119 (Avg—45,874) |
| 1966 | 315,837 (Avg—45,119) |
| 1967 | 304,901 (Avg—43,557) |
| 1968 | 328,072 (Avg—46,867) |
| 1969 | 342,570 (Avg—49,039) |
| 1970 | 335,300 (Avg—47,900) |
| 1971 | 344,720 (Avg—49,249) |
| 1972 | 344,720 (Avg—49,249) |
| 1973 | 337,637 (Avg—48,234) |
| 1974 | 332,503 (Avg—47,500) |
| 1975 | 333,806 (Avg—47,686) |
| 1976 | 339,122 (Avg—48,446) |

## TOTAL ROAD ATTENDANCE 7 LEAGUE GAMES

|       |                      |
|-------|----------------------|
| *1961 | 271,056 (Avg—38,722) |
| 1962  | 267,674 (Avg—38,239) |
| 1963  | 306,946 (Avg—43,849) |
| 1964  | 341,973 (Avg—48,853) |
| 1965  | 362,378 (Avg—51,768) |
| 1966  | 331,515 (Avg—47,359) |
| 1967  | 331,903 (Avg—47,414) |
| 1968  | 359,484 (Avg—51,354) |
| 1969  | 397,616 (Avg—56,802) |
| 1970  | 344,911 (Avg—49,273) |
| 1971  | 431,552 (Avg—61,650) |
| 1972  | 407,582 (Avg—58,226) |
| 1973  | 406,216 (Avg—58,031) |
| 1974  | 429,841 (Avg—61,406) |
| 1975  | 443,906 (Avg—63,415) |
| 1976  | 432,497 (Avg—61,785) |

## TOTAL PRE-SEASON ATTENDANCE, 5 GAMES

|       |                      |
|-------|----------------------|
| 1961  | 82,683 (Avg—16,537)  |
| 1962  | 103,588 (Avg—20,718) |
| 1963  | 140,321 (Avg—28,064) |
| 1964  | 110,438 (Avg—22,088) |
| 1965  | 158,541 (Avg—31,708) |
| 1966  | 241,728 (Avg—48,347) |
| 1967  | 224,182 (Avg—44,836) |
| 1968  | 156,591 (Avg—31,318) |
| *1969 | 225,513 (Avg—37,586) |
| *1970 | 285,659 (Avg—47,610) |
| *1971 | 266,156 (Avg—44,359) |
| 1972  | 281,687 (Avg—56,339) |
| 1973  | 254,436 (Avg—53,087) |
| 1974  | 227,425 (Avg—45,485) |
| *1975 | 259,798 (Avg—43,300) |
| *1976 | 277,346 (Avg—46,224) |

## TOTAL ATTENDANCE ALL GAMES

|      |                        |
|------|------------------------|
| 1961 | 595,841 (Avg—31,358)   |
| 1962 | 597,797 (Avg—31,463)   |
| 1963 | 678,010 (Avg—35,684)   |
| 1964 | 726,437 (Avg—38,234)   |
| 1965 | 842,038 (Avg—44,317)   |
| 1966 | 889,080 (Avg—46,793)   |
| 1967 | 860,986 (Avg—45,315)   |
| 1968 | 844,147 (Avg—44,428)   |
| 1969 | 965,699 (Avg—48,285)   |
| 1970 | 965,870 (Avg—48,294)   |
| 1971 | 1,091,528 (Avg—51,978) |
| 1972 | 1,033,989 (Avg—54,420) |
| 1973 | 1,186,131 (Avg—53,915) |
| 1974 | 1,179,530 (Avg—53,615) |
| 1975 | 1,085,851 (Avg—51,701) |
| 1976 | 1,248,937 (Avg—54,302) |

## SEASON TICKET SALE

|      |        |
|------|--------|
| 1961 | 23,981 |
| 1962 | 22,121 |
| 1963 | 19,315 |
| 1964 | 21,087 |
| 1965 | 32,686 |
| 1966 | 33,633 |
| 1967 | 33,187 |
| 1968 | 33,327 |
| 1969 | 37,136 |
| 1970 | 41,536 |
| 1971 | 41,297 |
| 1972 | 41,500 |
| 1973 | 41,500 |
| 1974 | 41,500 |
| 1975 | 41,500 |
| 1976 | 41,500 |

\*6 Games

# 1977 NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE TEAM SCHEDULES

(All times local. All games Sunday unless noted otherwise.)

## NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

### ATLANTA FALCONS

|          |                  |      |
|----------|------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | LOS ANGELES      | 1:00 |
| Sept. 25 | at Washington    | 1:00 |
| Oct. 2   | NEW YORK GIANTS  | 1:00 |
| Oct. 9   | at San Francisco | 1:00 |
| Oct. 16  | at Buffalo       | 1:00 |
| Oct. 23  | at Chicago       | 1:00 |
| Oct. 30  | MINNESOTA        | 1:00 |
| Nov. 6   | SAN FRANCISCO    | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13  | DETROIT          | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20  | at New Orleans   | 1:00 |
| Nov. 27  | at Tampa Bay     | 1:00 |
| Dec. 4   | NEW ENGLAND      | 1:00 |
| Dec. 11  | at Los Angeles   | 1:00 |
| Dec. 18  | NEW ORLEANS      | 1:00 |

### CHICAGO BEARS

|          |                      |       |
|----------|----------------------|-------|
| Sept. 18 | DETROIT              | 1:00  |
| Sept. 25 | at St. Louis         | 1:00  |
| Oct. 2   | NEW ORLEANS          | 1:00  |
| Oct. 10  | LOS ANGELES (Mon.)   | 8:00  |
| Oct. 16  | at Minnesota         | 1:00  |
| Oct. 23  | ATLANTA              | 1:00  |
| Oct. 30  | at Green Bay         | 1:00  |
| Nov. 6   | at Houston           | 1:00  |
| Nov. 13  | KANSAS CITY          | 1:00  |
| Nov. 20  | MINNESOTA            | Noon  |
| Nov. 24  | at Detroit (Thanks.) | 12:30 |
| Dec. 4   | at Tampa Bay         | 1:00  |
| Dec. 11  | GREEN BAY            | 1:00  |
| Dec. 18  | at New York Giants   | 1:00  |

### DALLAS COWBOYS

|          |                         |      |
|----------|-------------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | at Minnesota            | 3:00 |
| Sept. 25 | NEW YORK GIANTS         | 1:00 |
| Oct. 2   | TAMPA BAY               | 1:00 |
| Oct. 9   | at St. Louis            | 3:00 |
| Oct. 16  | WASHINGTON              | 3:00 |
| Oct. 23  | at Philadelphia         | 1:00 |
| Oct. 30  | DETROIT                 | 1:00 |
| Nov. 6   | at New York Giants      | 1:00 |
| Nov. 14  | ST. LOUIS (Mon.)        | 8:00 |
| Nov. 20  | at Pittsburgh           | 4:00 |
| Nov. 27  | at Washington           | 4:00 |
| Dec. 4   | PHILADELPHIA            | 1:00 |
| Dec. 12  | at San Francisco (Mon.) | 6:00 |
| Dec. 18  | DENVER                  | 1:00 |

### DETROIT LIONS

|          |                   |       |
|----------|-------------------|-------|
| Sept. 18 | at Chicago        | 1:00  |
| Sept. 25 | NEW ORLEANS       | 1:00  |
| Oct. 2   | PHILADELPHIA      | 1:00  |
| Oct. 9   | at Minnesota      | 1:00  |
| Oct. 16  | GREEN BAY         | 1:00  |
| Oct. 23  | at San Francisco  | 1:00  |
| Oct. 30  | at Dallas         | 1:00  |
| Nov. 6   | SAN DIEGO         | 1:00  |
| Nov. 13  | at Atlanta        | 1:00  |
| Nov. 20  | TAMPA BAY         | 1:00  |
| Nov. 24  | CHICAGO (Thanks.) | 12:30 |
| Dec. 4   | at Green Bay      | 1:00  |
| Dec. 11  | at Baltimore      | 2:00  |
| Dec. 17  | MINNESOTA (Sat.)  | 9:00  |

### GREEN BAY PACKERS

|          |                       |      |
|----------|-----------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | at New Orleans        | 1:00 |
| Sept. 25 | HOUSTON               | 1:00 |
| Oct. 2   | at Minnesota          | 1:00 |
| Oct. 9   | CINCINNATI (Milw.)    | 1:00 |
| Oct. 16  | at Detroit            | 1:00 |
| Oct. 23  | at Tampa Bay          | 1:00 |
| Oct. 30  | CHICAGO               | 1:00 |
| Nov. 6   | at Kansas City        | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13  | LOS ANGELES (Milw.)   | 1:00 |
| Nov. 21  | at Washington (Mon.)  | 9:00 |
| Nov. 27  | MINNESOTA             | 1:00 |
| Dec. 4   | DETROIT               | 1:00 |
| Dec. 11  | at Chicago            | 1:00 |
| Dec. 18  | SAN FRANCISCO (Milw.) | 1:00 |

### LOS ANGELES RAMS

|          |                       |      |
|----------|-----------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | at Atlanta            | 1:00 |
| Sept. 25 | PHILADELPHIA          | 1:00 |
| Oct. 2   | SAN FRANCISCO         | 1:00 |
| Oct. 10  | at Chicago (Mon.)     | 8:00 |
| Oct. 16  | NEW ORLEANS           | 1:00 |
| Oct. 24  | MINNESOTA (Mon.)      | 6:00 |
| Oct. 30  | at New Orleans        | 1:00 |
| Nov. 6   | TAMPA BAY             | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13  | vs. Green Bay (Milw.) | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20  | at San Francisco      | 1:00 |
| Nov. 27  | at Cleveland          | 1:00 |
| Dec. 4   | OAKLAND               | 1:00 |
| Dec. 11  | ATLANTA               | 1:00 |
| Dec. 17  | at Washington (Sat.)  | 1:00 |

## MINNESOTA VIKINGS

|          |                       |      |
|----------|-----------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | DALLAS                | 3:00 |
| Sept. 24 | at Tampa Bay (Sat.)   | 8:00 |
| Oct. 2   | GREEN BAY             | 1:00 |
| Oct. 9   | DETROIT               | 1:00 |
| Oct. 16  | CHICAGO               | 1:00 |
| Oct. 24  | at Los Angeles (Mon.) | 6:00 |
| Oct. 30  | at Atlanta            | 1:00 |
| Nov. 6   | ST. LOUIS             | 3:00 |
| Nov. 13  | CINCINNATI            | 3:00 |
| Nov. 20  | at Chicago            | Noon |
| Nov. 27  | at Green Bay          | 1:00 |
| Dec. 4   | SAN FRANCISCO         | 1:00 |
| Dec. 11  | at Oakland            | 1:00 |
| Dec. 17  | at Detroit (Sat.)     | 9:00 |

## NEW ORLEANS SAINTS

|          |                  |      |
|----------|------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | GREEN BAY        | 1:00 |
| Sept. 25 | at Detroit       | 1:00 |
| Oct. 2   | at Chicago       | 1:00 |
| Oct. 9   | SAN DIEGO        | 1:00 |
| Oct. 16  | at Los Angeles   | 1:00 |
| Oct. 23  | at St. Louis     | 1:00 |
| Oct. 30  | LOS ANGELES      | 1:00 |
| Nov. 6   | at Philadelphia  | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13  | SAN FRANCISCO    | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20  | ATLANTA          | 1:00 |
| Nov. 27  | at San Francisco | 1:00 |
| Dec. 4   | NEW YORK JETS    | 3:00 |
| Dec. 11  | TAMPA BAY        | 1:00 |
| Dec. 18  | at Atlanta       | 1:00 |

## NEW YORK GIANTS

|          |                     |      |
|----------|---------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | WASHINGTON          | 1:00 |
| Sept. 25 | at Dallas           | 1:00 |
| Oct. 2   | at Atlanta          | 1:00 |
| Oct. 9   | PHILADELPHIA        | 1:00 |
| Oct. 16  | SAN FRANCISCO       | 1:00 |
| Oct. 23  | at Washington       | 1:00 |
| Oct. 31  | at St. Louis (Mon.) | 8:00 |
| Nov. 6   | DALLAS              | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13  | at Tampa Bay        | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20  | CLEVELAND           | 1:00 |
| Nov. 27  | at Cincinnati       | 1:00 |
| Dec. 4   | ST. LOUIS           | 1:00 |
| Dec. 11  | at Philadelphia     | 1:00 |
| Dec. 18  | CHICAGO             | 1:00 |

## PHILADELPHIA EAGLES

|          |                    |      |
|----------|--------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | TAMPA BAY          | 1:00 |
| Sept. 25 | at Los Angeles     | 1:00 |
| Oct. 2   | at Detroit         | 1:00 |
| Oct. 9   | at New York Giants | 1:00 |
| Oct. 16  | ST. LOUIS          | 1:00 |
| Oct. 23  | DALLAS             | 1:00 |
| Oct. 30  | at Washington      | 1:00 |

|         |                 |      |
|---------|-----------------|------|
| Nov. 6  | NEW ORLEANS     | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13 | WASHINGTON      | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20 | at St. Louis    | 1:00 |
| Nov. 27 | at New England  | 1:00 |
| Dec. 4  | at Dallas       | 1:00 |
| Dec. 11 | NEW YORK GIANTS | 1:00 |
| Dec. 18 | NEW YORK JETS   | 1:00 |

## ST. LOUIS CARDINALS

|          |                        |      |
|----------|------------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | at Denver              | 1:00 |
| Sept. 25 | CHICAGO                | 1:00 |
| Oct. 2   | at Washington          | 4:00 |
| Oct. 9   | DALLAS                 | 3:00 |
| Oct. 16  | at Philadelphia        | 1:00 |
| Oct. 23  | NEW ORLEANS            | 1:00 |
| Oct. 31  | NEW YORK GIANTS (Mon.) | 8:00 |
| Nov. 6   | at Minnesota           | 3:00 |
| Nov. 14  | at Dallas (Mon.)       | 8:00 |
| Nov. 20  | PHILADELPHIA           | 1:00 |
| Nov. 24  | MIAMI (Thanks.)        | 2:30 |
| Dec. 4   | at New York Giants     | 1:00 |
| Dec. 10  | WASHINGTON (Sat.)      | 3:00 |
| Dec. 18  | at Tampa Bay           | 1:00 |

## SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS

|          |                       |      |
|----------|-----------------------|------|
| Sept. 19 | at Pittsburgh (Mon.)  | 9:00 |
| Sept. 25 | MIAMI                 | 1:00 |
| Oct. 2   | at Los Angeles        | 1:00 |
| Oct. 9   | ATLANTA               | 1:00 |
| Oct. 16  | at New York Giants    | 1:00 |
| Oct. 23  | DETROIT               | 1:00 |
| Oct. 30  | TAMPA BAY             | 1:00 |
| Nov. 6   | at Atlanta            | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13  | at New Orleans        | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20  | LOS ANGELES           | 1:00 |
| Nov. 27  | NEW ORLEANS           | 1:00 |
| Dec. 4   | at Minnesota          | 1:00 |
| Dec. 12  | DALLAS (Mon.)         | 6:00 |
| Dec. 18  | vs. Green Bay (Milw.) | 1:00 |

## TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS

|          |                  |      |
|----------|------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | at Philadelphia  | 1:00 |
| Sept. 24 | MINNESOTA (Sat.) | 8:00 |
| Oct. 2   | at Dallas        | 1:00 |
| Oct. 9   | WASHINGTON       | 4:00 |
| Oct. 16  | at Seattle       | 1:00 |
| Oct. 23  | GREEN BAY        | 1:00 |
| Oct. 30  | at San Francisco | 1:00 |
| Nov. 6   | at Los Angeles   | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13  | NEW YORK GIANTS  | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20  | at Detroit       | 1:00 |
| Nov. 27  | ATLANTA          | 1:00 |
| Dec. 4   | CHICAGO          | 1:00 |
| Dec. 11  | at New Orleans   | 1:00 |
| Dec. 18  | ST. LOUIS        | 1:00 |

## WASHINGTON REDSKINS

|          |                    |      |         |                     |      |
|----------|--------------------|------|---------|---------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | at New York Giants | 1:00 | Nov. 7  | at Baltimore (Mon.) | 9:00 |
| Sept. 25 | ATLANTA            | 1:00 | Nov. 13 | at Philadelphia     | 1:00 |
| Oct. 2   | ST. LOUIS          | 4:00 | Nov. 21 | GREEN BAY (Mon.)    | 9:00 |
| Oct. 9   | at Tampa Bay       | 4:00 | Nov. 27 | DALLAS              | 4:00 |
| Oct. 16  | at Dallas          | 3:00 | Dec. 4  | at Buffalo          | 1:00 |
| Oct. 23  | NEW YORK GIANTS    | 1:00 | Dec. 10 | at St. Louis (Sat.) | 3:00 |
| Oct. 30  | PHILADELPHIA       | 1:00 | Dec. 17 | LOS ANGELES (Sat.)  | 1:00 |

# 1977 NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE TEAM SCHEDULES

(All times local. All games Sunday unless noted otherwise.)

## AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

### BALTIMORE COLTS

|          |                   |       |
|----------|-------------------|-------|
| Sept. 18 | at Seattle        | 1:00  |
| Sept. 25 | at New York Jets  | 1:00  |
| Oct. 2   | BUFFALO           | 2:00  |
| Oct. 9   | MIAMI             | 2:00  |
| Oct. 16  | at Kansas City    | 12:00 |
| Oct. 23  | at New England    | 4:00  |
| Oct. 30  | PITTSBURGH        | 4:00  |
| Nov. 7   | WASHINGTON (Mon.) | 9:00  |
| Nov. 13  | at Buffalo        | 1:00  |
| Nov. 20  | NEW YORK JETS     | 2:00  |
| Nov. 27  | at Denver         | 2:00  |
| Dec. 5   | at Miami (Mon.)   | 9:00  |
| Dec. 11  | DETROIT           | 2:00  |
| Dec. 18  | NEW ENGLAND       | 4:00  |

### BUFFALO BILLS

|          |                   |      |
|----------|-------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | MIAMI             | 1:00 |
| Sept. 25 | at Denver         | 2:00 |
| Oct. 2   | at Baltimore      | 2:00 |
| Oct. 9   | NEW YORK JETS     | 1:00 |
| Oct. 16  | ATLANTA           | 1:00 |
| Oct. 23  | CLEVELAND         | 1:00 |
| Oct. 30  | at Seattle        | 1:00 |
| Nov. 6   | at New England    | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13  | BALTIMORE         | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20  | NEW ENGLAND       | 1:00 |
| Nov. 28  | at Oakland (Mon.) | 6:00 |
| Dec. 4   | WASHINGTON        | 1:00 |
| Dec. 11  | at New York Jets  | 1:00 |
| Dec. 17  | at Miami (Sat.)   | 4:00 |

### CINCINNATI BENGALS

|          |                       |      |
|----------|-----------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | CLEVELAND             | 1:00 |
| Sept. 25 | SEATTLE               | 1:00 |
| Oct. 2   | at San Diego          | 1:00 |
| Oct. 9   | vs. Green Bay (Milw.) | 1:00 |
| Oct. 17  | at Pittsburgh (Mon.)  | 9:00 |
| Oct. 23  | DENVER                | 1:00 |

|         |                   |      |
|---------|-------------------|------|
| Oct. 30 | HOUSTON           | 1:00 |
| Nov. 6  | at Cleveland      | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13 | at Minnesota      | 4:00 |
| Nov. 20 | MIAMI             | 1:00 |
| Nov. 27 | NEW YORK GIANTS   | 1:00 |
| Dec. 4  | at Kansas City    | 1:00 |
| Dec. 10 | PITTSBURGH (Sat.) | 1:00 |
| Dec. 18 | at Houston        | 1:00 |

### CLEVELAND BROWNS

|          |                    |      |
|----------|--------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | at Cincinnati      | 1:00 |
| Sept. 26 | NEW ENGLAND (Mon.) | 9:00 |
| Oct. 2   | PITTSBURGH         | 1:00 |
| Oct. 9   | OAKLAND            | 1:00 |
| Oct. 16  | at Houston         | 1:00 |
| Oct. 23  | at Buffalo         | 1:00 |
| Oct. 30  | KANSAS CITY        | 1:00 |
| Nov. 6   | CINCINNATI         | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13  | at Pittsburgh      | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20  | at New York Giants | 1:00 |
| Nov. 27  | LOS ANGELES        | 1:00 |
| Dec. 4   | at San Diego       | 1:00 |
| Dec. 11  | HOUSTON            | 1:00 |
| Dec. 18  | at Seattle         | 1:00 |

### DENVER BRONCOS

|          |                |      |
|----------|----------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | ST. LOUIS      | 2:00 |
| Sept. 25 | BUFFALO        | 2:00 |
| Oct. 2   | at Seattle     | 1:00 |
| Oct. 9   | KANSAS CITY    | 2:00 |
| Oct. 16  | at Oakland     | 1:00 |
| Oct. 23  | at Cincinnati  | 1:00 |
| Oct. 30  | OAKLAND        | 2:00 |
| Nov. 6   | PITTSBURGH     | 2:00 |
| Nov. 13  | at San Diego   | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20  | at Kansas City | 1:00 |
| Nov. 27  | BALTIMORE      | 2:00 |
| Dec. 4   | at Houston     | 1:00 |
| Dec. 11  | SAN DIEGO      | 2:00 |
| Dec. 18  | at Dallas      | 1:00 |

## HOUSTON OILERS

|          |               |      |
|----------|---------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | NEW YORK JETS | 3:00 |
| Sept. 25 | at Green Bay  | 1:00 |
| Oct. 2   | at Miami      | 4:00 |
| Oct. 9   | PITTSBURGH    | 1:00 |
| Oct. 16  | CLEVELAND     | 1:00 |
| Oct. 23  | at Pittsburgh | 1:00 |
| Oct. 30  | at Cincinnati | 1:00 |
| Nov. 6   | CHICAGO       | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13  | at Oakland    | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20  | at Seattle    | 1:00 |
| Nov. 27  | KANSAS CITY   | 1:00 |
| Dec. 4   | DENVER        | 1:00 |
| Dec. 11  | at Cleveland  | 1:00 |
| Dec. 18  | CINCINNATI    | 1:00 |

## KANSAS CITY CHIEFS

|          |                |       |
|----------|----------------|-------|
| Sept. 18 | at New England | 1:00  |
| Sept. 25 | SAN DIEGO      | 1:00  |
| Oct. 3   | OAKLAND (Mon.) | 8:00  |
| Oct. 9   | at Denver      | 2:00  |
| Oct. 16  | BALTIMORE      | 12:00 |
| Oct. 23  | at San Diego   | 1:00  |
| Oct. 30  | at Cleveland   | 1:00  |
| Nov. 6   | GREEN BAY      | 1:00  |
| Nov. 13  | at Chicago     | 1:00  |
| Nov. 20  | DENVER         | 1:00  |
| Nov. 27  | at Houston     | 1:00  |
| Dec. 4   | CINCINNATI     | 1:00  |
| Dec. 11  | SEATTLE        | 1:00  |
| Dec. 18  | at Oakland     | 1:00  |

## MIAMI DOLPHINS

|          |                        |      |
|----------|------------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | at Buffalo             | 1:00 |
| Sept. 25 | at San Francisco       | 1:00 |
| Oct. 2   | HOUSTON                | 4:00 |
| Oct. 9   | at Baltimore           | 2:00 |
| Oct. 16  | NEW YORK JETS          | 4:00 |
| Oct. 23  | SEATTLE                | 1:00 |
| Oct. 30  | SAN DIEGO              | 1:00 |
| Nov. 6   | at New York Jets       | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13  | NEW ENGLAND            | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20  | at Cincinnati          | 1:00 |
| Nov. 24  | at St. Louis (Thanks.) | 3:00 |
| Dec. 5   | BALTIMORE (Mon.)       | 9:00 |
| Dec. 11  | at New England         | 1:00 |
| Dec. 17  | BUFFALO (Sat.)         | 4:00 |

## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

|          |                     |      |
|----------|---------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | KANSAS CITY         | 1:00 |
| Sept. 26 | at Cleveland (Mon.) | 9:00 |
| Oct. 2   | at New York Jets    | 1:00 |
| Oct. 9   | SEATTLE             | 1:00 |
| Oct. 16  | at San Diego        | 1:00 |
| Oct. 23  | BALTIMORE           | 4:00 |
| Oct. 30  | NEW YORK JETS       | 1:00 |

|         |              |      |
|---------|--------------|------|
| Nov. 6  | BUFFALO      | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13 | at Miami     | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20 | at Buffalo   | 1:00 |
| Nov. 27 | PHILADELPHIA | 1:00 |
| Dec. 4  | at Atlanta   | 1:00 |
| Dec. 11 | MIAMI        | 1:00 |
| Dec. 18 | at Baltimore | 4:00 |

## NEW YORK JETS

|          |                 |      |
|----------|-----------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | at Houston      | 3:00 |
| Sept. 25 | BALTIMORE       | 1:00 |
| Oct. 2   | NEW ENGLAND     | 1:00 |
| Oct. 9   | at Buffalo      | 1:00 |
| Oct. 16  | at Miami        | 4:00 |
| Oct. 23  | OAKLAND         | 1:00 |
| Oct. 30  | at New England  | 1:00 |
| Nov. 6   | MIAMI           | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13  | SEATTLE         | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20  | at Baltimore    | 2:00 |
| Nov. 27  | PITTSBURGH      | 1:00 |
| Dec. 4   | at New Orleans  | 3:00 |
| Dec. 11  | BUFFALO         | 1:00 |
| Dec. 18  | at Philadelphia | 1:00 |

## OAKLAND RAIDERS

|          |                       |      |
|----------|-----------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | SAN DIEGO             | 1:00 |
| Sept. 25 | at Pittsburgh         | 4:00 |
| Oct. 3   | at Kansas City (Mon.) | 8:00 |
| Oct. 9   | at Cleveland          | 1:00 |
| Oct. 16  | DENVER                | 1:00 |
| Oct. 23  | at New York Jets      | 1:00 |
| Oct. 30  | at Denver             | 2:00 |
| Nov. 6   | SEATTLE               | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13  | HOUSTON               | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20  | at San Diego          | 1:00 |
| Nov. 28  | BUFFALO (Mon.)        | 6:00 |
| Dec. 4   | at Los Angeles        | 1:00 |
| Dec. 11  | MINNESOTA             | 1:00 |
| Dec. 18  | KANSAS CITY           | 1:00 |

## PITTSBURGH STEELERS

|          |                      |      |
|----------|----------------------|------|
| Sept. 19 | SAN FRANCISCO (Mon.) | 9:00 |
| Sept. 25 | OAKLAND              | 4:00 |
| Oct. 2   | at Cleveland         | 1:00 |
| Oct. 9   | at Houston           | 1:00 |
| Oct. 17  | CINCINNATI (Mon.)    | 9:00 |
| Oct. 23  | HOUSTON              | 1:00 |
| Oct. 30  | at Baltimore         | 4:00 |
| Nov. 6   | at Denver            | 2:00 |
| Nov. 13  | CLEVELAND            | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20  | DALLAS               | 4:00 |
| Nov. 27  | at New York Jets     | 1:00 |
| Dec. 4   | SEATTLE              | 1:00 |
| Dec. 10  | at Cincinnati (Sat.) | 1:00 |
| Dec. 18  | at San Diego         | 1:00 |

**SAN DIEGO CHARGERS**

|          |                |      |
|----------|----------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | at Oakland     | 1:00 |
| Sept. 25 | at Kansas City | 1:00 |
| Oct. 2   | CINCINNATI     | 1:00 |
| Oct. 9   | at New Orleans | 1:00 |
| Oct. 16  | NEW ENGLAND    | 1:00 |
| Oct. 23  | KANSAS CITY    | 1:00 |
| Oct. 30  | at Miami       | 1:00 |
| Nov. 6   | at Detroit     | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13  | DENVER         | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20  | OAKLAND        | 1:00 |
| Nov. 27  | at Seattle     | 1:00 |
| Dec. 4   | CLEVELAND      | 1:00 |
| Dec. 11  | at Denver      | 2:00 |
| Dec. 18  | PITTSBURGH     | 1:00 |

**SEATTLE SEAHAWKS**

|          |                  |      |
|----------|------------------|------|
| Sept. 18 | BALTIMORE        | 1:00 |
| Sept. 25 | at Cincinnati    | 1:00 |
| Oct. 2   | DENVER           | 1:00 |
| Oct. 9   | at New England   | 1:00 |
| Oct. 16  | TAMPA BAY        | 1:00 |
| Oct. 23  | at Miami         | 1:00 |
| Oct. 30  | BUFFALO          | 1:00 |
| Nov. 6   | at Oakland       | 1:00 |
| Nov. 13  | at New York Jets | 1:00 |
| Nov. 20  | HOUSTON          | 1:00 |
| Nov. 27  | SAN DIEGO        | 1:00 |
| Dec. 4   | at Pittsburgh    | 1:00 |
| Dec. 11  | at Kansas City   | 1:00 |
| Dec. 18  | CLEVELAND        | 1:00 |

## **MEDIA INFORMATION**

### **PRESS BOX CREDENTIALS**

Seats in the Metropolitan Stadium football press box are limited to those covering the game. Overflow press is accommodated in the auxiliary press area.

Requests for credentials should be directed to Merrill Swanson, Public Relations Director, Minnesota Vikings, 7110 France Ave. So., Edina, Minn., 55435, as early as possible.

Complimentary tickets for non-working press are limited and are obtained in the same manner.

No children are permitted in the working press box.

**PHOTOGRAPHERS**

Photographers must obtain and wear a special tag and other identification. Credentials are limited to photographers on assignment from the major wire services, accredited daily newspapers and television stations.

Tags are obtained in the same manner as other credentials.

Photographers may operate along the west, north and south ends of the playing field. However, the team benches area on the east side is restricted.

**COPY TRANSMISSIONS**

Requests for Western Union circuits should be filed directly with the Minneapolis office. All other forms of copy transmission must be arranged for through the particular service organizations. Copy runners will be provided.

**RADIO AND TELEVISION**

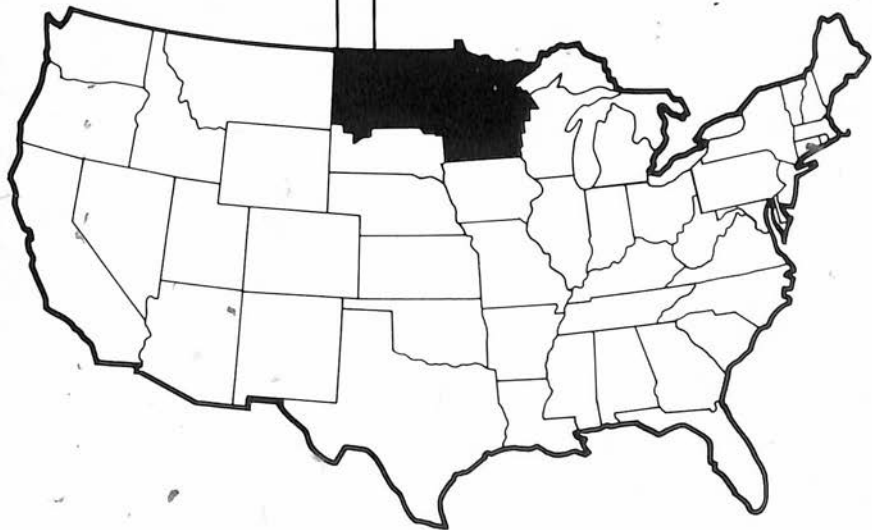
The radio station representing the visiting team will be assigned to Booth J. Network television is assigned center booths. Requests for credentials should be directed to Merrill Swanson.

Requests for information relating to the Minnesota Vikings Radio Network should be directed to Colle and McVoy Advertising Agency, 1550 East 78th Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55423, attention Mary Ann Doss.

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# MINNESOTA VIKINGS 1977 SCHEDULE

(All Times Central)

## PRE-SEASON

|              |       |                         |
|--------------|-------|-------------------------|
| August 6     | ..... | at Los Angeles, 9 p.m.  |
| August 13    | ..... | CLEVELAND, 8 p.m.       |
| August 19    | ..... | at Baltimore, 7:30 p.m. |
| August 26    | ..... | MIAMI, 8 p.m.           |
| September 3  | ..... | at Cincinnati, 7 p.m.   |
| September 10 | ..... | at Buffalo, 6:30 p.m.   |

## REGULAR SEASON

|              |       |                        |   |
|--------------|-------|------------------------|---|
| September 18 | ..... | DALLAS, 3 p.m.         | L |
| September 24 | ..... | at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.   | W |
| October 2    | ..... | GREEN BAY, 1 p.m.      | W |
| October 9    | ..... | DETROIT, 1 p.m.        | W |
| October 16   | ..... | CHICAGO, 1 p.m.        | W |
| October 24   | ..... | at Los Angeles, 8 p.m. | L |
| October 30   | ..... | at Atlanta, noon       |   |
| November 6   | ..... | ST. LOUIS, 3 p.m.      |   |
| November 13  | ..... | CINCINNATI, 3 p.m.     |   |
| November 20  | ..... | at Chicago, Noon       |   |
| November 27  | ..... | at Green Bay, 1 p.m.   |   |
| December 4   | ..... | SAN FRANCISCO, 1 p.m.  |   |
| December 11  | ..... | at Oakland, 3 p.m.     |   |
| December 17  | ..... | at Detroit, 8 p.m.     |   |



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