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Last-minute field goal pushes Redskins past Raiders

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Neshaminy's Harry E. Franks Stadium lived up to its nickname of "Heartbreak Ridge" last night.

Archbishop Ryan overcame a 20-7 deficit to take a 21-20 lead late in the fourth quarter. But Neshaminy's Kevin Kelly blasted a 37-yard field goal with 31 seconds left in the game to give the Redskins a 23-21 nonleague victory and break the Raiders' hearts

Ahe Brooks set up the victory

when he intercepted Ryan quarterback Anthony Carter at the Raiders' 30-yard line with 2 minutes, 24 seconds left in the came.

George Coleman, who carried the ball 28 times and gained 133 yards rushing, then lugged the ball three times to the Ryan 21yard line. Kelly's kick was right down the middle with plenty of distance to spare.

The Raiders (1-1) had one more shot at pulling the game out, but Coleman intercepted Carter's first-down pass at the

Ryan 13-yard line, and Neshaminy (2-0) ran out the clock.

The Redskins dominated the Raiders in the opening quarter, holding Ryan to just three plays, while accumulating 117 vards.

On the first play of the second quarter. Neshaminy cashed in when sophomore quarterback Andrew Flogel threw a 6-vard play-action pass to Jason Kinney on the left side for a 7-0 Redskins lead with 11:54 left in the half.

Joe Zeglinski answered for with less than three minutes

the Raiders by breaking loose for a 74-yard sprint off the left side with 11 minutes remaining. He led all rushers with 161 vards on 20 carries.

Kelly salvaged six points for Neshaminy in the second quarter. The Redskins used 10 plays 8-yard scoring pass from Flogel to move from their own 25-yard line to the Ryan 8 before stalling, Kelly kicked a 22-yard field goal with 6:22 remaining in the half to give his team a 10-7 lead. Then, John Ferdinand lost the ball for the Raiders in a pileup

left in the half. Brooks recovered at the Ryan 11, and Kelly kicked his second field goal three plays later from 21 yards out with 47 seconds left in the balf

Doug Rosnick caught an with 3:57 left in the third quarter to give the Redskins a 20-7 lead, but the Raiders did not give up.

Ferdinand caught a 25-yard touchdown pass from Carter with 11:20 left in the game to cut Neshaminy's lead to 20-14, and NEGKely 37

Zeglinski gave Ryan the lead after capping a 10-play drive with a 7-yard scoring blast with 4:24 left in the game.

But heartbreak was right around the corner. Archbishop Rvsn Noshaminy

N: Kinney & pass from Flogel (Kelly kick)

AR: Zoglinsk 74 run (Perrone kick) N: FG Kely 22 N FG Kely 21

N: Rosnick 8 pass from Floop! (Kelly kick) AR: Ford hand 25 pass from Carter (Perrone kick) AR: Zoglinsk 7 run (Porrone kick)