

GAME SUMMARY

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DATE December 12, 1976 DAY OF WEEK Sunday STARTING TIME 1:06 P. M.
 VISITOR New England Patriots VS. HOME Tampa Bay Buccaneers AT Tampa Stadium
 WEATHER Partly cloudy TEMPERATURE 76° WIND AND DIRECTION S. W. at 7 MDH
 OFFICIALS REFEREE Tom Bell UMPIRE Gordon Wells LINE JUDGE Jerry Markbreit
 LINESMAN Ray Dodez BACK JUDGE Tom Kelleher FIELD JUDGE Ed Merrifield

VISITOR

LINEUPS

HOME

OFFENSE

DEFENSE

OFFENSE

DEFENSE

WR Marlin Briscoe
 LT Leon Gray
 LG John Hannah
 C Bill Lenkaitis
 RG Sam Adams
 RT Bob McKay
 TE Al Chandler
 WR Steve Burks
 QB Steve Grogan
 RB Andy Johnson
 RB Sam Cunningham

LE Tony McGee
 LT Ray Hamilton
 RT Julius Adams
 RE Steve Zabel
 LLB Donnie Thomas
 MLB George Webster
 RLB Pete Barnes
 LCB Bob Howard
 RCB Mike Haynes
 LS Prentice McGray
 RS Tim Fox

WR John McKay
 LT Steve Young
 LG Howard Fost
 C Dan Ryczek
 RG Tom Alward
 RT Mike Current
 TE Jack Novak
 WR Morris Owens
 QB Steve Spurrier
 RB Ed Williams
 RB Essex Johnson

LE Council Rudolph
 LT Maulty Moore
 RT Glenn Robinson
 RE Pat Toomay
 LLB Richard Wood
 MLB Mike Lemon
 RLB Jimmie Sims
 LCB Curtis Jordan
 RCB Roscoe Word
 LS Mark Cotney
 RS Ken Stone

SUBSTITUTIONS

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Smith, Patrick, Blahak, Conn, Germany, Phillips, Forte, King, Brock, Tipton, Sturt, Bishop, Lunsford, Neville, Hunt, Vataha, Francis, Stingley, Calhoun

Green, Pierson, Brown, McNeill, Davis, DuBose, Ball, McAleney, R. Young, Wilson, Douglas, B. Moore, Smith, Pagac, Carter, Gunn, Reese

DID NOT PLAY

Owen, Nelson

Hanratty, Little

Did not dress: Pear

FIELD GOALS (Made & Missed)

Smith 30

Underline = Made

	1	2	3	4	OT	TOTAL
(Visitor) New England Patriots	0	7	7	17		31
(Home) Tampa Bay Buccaneers	0	14	0	0		14

TEAM	PERIOD	ELAPSED TIME	SCORING PLAY	SCORE	
				VISITOR	HOME
Tampa Bay	2	1:23	Williams 17 run (Green kick)	0	7
New England	2	1:43	Johnson 69 run (Smith kick)	7	7
Tampa Bay	2	12:08	Owens 27 pass from Spurrier (Green kick)	7	14
New England	3	10:01	Johnson 9 run (Smith kick)	14	14
New England	4	8:45	Hunt 68 interception return (Smith kick)	21	14
New England	4	12:19	F. G. Smith 30	24	14
New England	4	14:56	Grogan 1 run (Zabel kick)	31	14

ATTENDANCE: TICKETS DISTRIBUTED 46,475 ; ACTUAL 41,517 ; NO SHOWS 4,958 ; TIME 2:47

DATE LFC 12, 1976
 VISITOR New England

FINAL INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

AT Tampa Stadium

HOME Tampa Bay

RUSHING		ATT.	NET YARDS	AVG.	LONG GAIN	TD			
JOHNSON	14	127	9.1	(69)	2				
CUNNINGHAM	6	39	6.5	9	0				
CALHOUN	12	68	5.7	23	0				
BURKS	1	2	2.0	2	0				
GROGAN	3	2	0.6	5	1				
PHILLIPS	3	22	7.3	16	0				
TOTALS	39	260	6.7	69	3				
PASSING		ATT.	COMP.	YARDS	TKD YDS.	TD	LG.	Had Int.	
GROGAN	14	4	40	0	0	17	1		
TOTALS	14	4	40	0	0	17	1		
PASS RECEIVING		NO.	YARDS	LG.	TD				
VATAHA	1	8	8	0					
CUNNINGHAM	1	3	3	0					
BURKS	1	17	17	0					
CALHOUN	1	12	12	0					
TOTALS	4	40	17	0					
INTERCEPTIONS		NO.	YARDS	LG.	TD				
HUNT	1	68	68	1					
TOTALS	1	68	(68)	1					
PUNTING		NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TB	IN 20	LG.		
PATRICK	7	292	41.7	1	1	49			
TOTALS	7	292	41.7	1	1	49			
PUNT RETURNS		NO.	FC	YARDS	LG.	TD			
HAYNES	3	0	53	36	0				
TOTALS	3	0	53	36	0				
KICKOFF RETURNS		NO.	YARDS	LG.	TD				
CONN	1	26	26	0					
CALHOUN	2	31	16	0					
TOTALS	3	57	26	0					
FUMBLES		FUM.	OWN REC.	YDS.	TD	OPP. REC.	YDS.	TD	OUT BDS.
WEBSTER	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	
LUNSFORD	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	
TOTALS	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	

RUSHING		ATT.	NET YARDS	AVG.	LONG GAIN	TD			
Williams	15	58	3.8	(17)	1				
CARTER	14	32	2.3	7	0				
MCNEILL	6	19	3.1	7	0				
SPURRIER	4	13	3.2	8	0				
JOHNSON	4	5	1.2	7	0				
DUBOSE	1	4	4.0	4	0				
PAGAC	1	4	4.0	4	0				
TOTALS	45	135	3.0	17	1				
PASSING		ATT.	COMP.	YARDS	TKD YDS.	TD	LG.	Had Int.	
SPURRIER	17	12	145	12	1	(17)	1		
CARTER	1	0	0	0	0	0	0		
TOTALS	18	12	145	12	1	(17)	1		
PASS RECEIVING		NO.	YARDS	LG.	TD				
NOVAK	3	55	22	0					
WILLIAMS	4	33	18	0					
JOHNSON	2	9	9	0					
OWENS	1	27	27	1					
SMITH, R.	1	16	16	0					
DUBOSE	1	5	5	0					
TOTALS	12	145	27	1					
INTERCEPTIONS		NO.	YARDS	LG.	TD				
STONE	1	26	26	0					
TOTALS	1	26	26	0					
PUNTING		NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TB	IN 20	LG.		
GREEN	5	176	35.2	1	0	37			
TOTALS	5	176	35.2	1	0	37			
PUNT RETURNS		NO.	FC	YARDS	LG.	TD			
DOUGLAS	4	0	78	32	0				
TOTALS	4	0	78	32	0				
KICKOFF RETURNS		NO.	YARDS	LG.	TD				
JOHNSON	2	51	28	0					
DOUGLAS	3	85	29	0					
TOTALS	5	136	29	0					
FUMBLES		FUM.	OWN REC.	YDS.	TD	OPP. REC.	YDS.	TD	OUT BDS.
MCNEILL	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
JOHNSON	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
TOTALS	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

New England Patriots vs. Tampa Bay Buccaneers
 (Visitor) (Home)

Date DECEMBER 12, 1976 At: TAMPA STADIUM

FINAL TEAM STATISTICS

	VISITOR <u>New England</u>	HOME <u>Tampa Bay</u>
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>
BY RUSHING	<u>12</u>	<u>8</u>
BY PASSING	<u>0</u>	<u>6</u>
BY PENALTY	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	<u>18-3</u>	<u>16-6</u>
TOTAL NET YARDS	<u>300</u>	<u>268</u>
TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS (Inc. times thrown passing)	<u>53</u>	<u>64</u>
AVERAGE GAIN PER OFFENSIVE PLAY	<u>5.7</u>	<u>4.2</u>
NET YARDS RUSHING	<u>260</u>	<u>135</u>
TOTAL RUSHING PLAYS	<u>39</u>	<u>45</u>
AVERAGE GAIN PER RUSHING PLAY	<u>6.7</u>	<u>3.0</u>
NET YARDS PASSING	<u>40</u>	<u>133</u>
TIMES THROWN — YARDS LOST ATTEMPTING TO PASS	<u>0-0</u>	<u>1-12</u>
GROSS YARDS PASSING	<u>40</u>	<u>145</u>
PASS ATTEMPTS — COMPLETIONS — HAD INTERCEPTED	<u>14-4-1</u>	<u>18-12-1</u>
AVERAGE GAIN PER PASS PLAY (Inc. times thrown passing)	<u>2.8</u>	<u>8.0</u>
PUNTS—NUMBER AND AVERAGE	<u>7-41.7</u>	<u>5-35.2</u>
HAD BLOCKED	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL RETURN YARDAGE	<u>178</u>	<u>240</u>
NO. AND YARDS PUNT RETURNS	<u>3-53</u>	<u>4-78</u>
NO. AND YARDS KICKOFF RETURNS	<u>3-57</u>	<u>5-136</u>
NO. AND YARDS INTERCEPTION RETURNS	<u>1-68</u>	<u>1-26</u>
NO. AND YARDS MISCELLANEOUS RETURNS (Field Goals, Blocked Punts, Fumble Returns)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
PENALTIES—NUMBER AND YARDS	<u>8-69</u>	<u>3-20</u>
FUMBLES—NUMBER AND LOST	<u>0-0</u>	<u>2-2</u>
TOUCHDOWNS	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>
RUSHING	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>
PASSING	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
RETURNS	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
EXTRA POINTS MADE — ATTEMPTS	<u>4-4</u>	<u>2-2</u>
FIELD GOALS MADE — ATTEMPTS	<u>1-1</u>	<u>0-0</u>

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS VS NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS, TAMPA STADIUM, DECEMBER 12, 1976

FIRST QUARTER

New England wins toss and will receive, Tampa Bay will defend the north goal.

Green kicks, taken by Conn at NE3, out of bounds at NE29 26 (Bfown)

NEW ENGLAND = 14:50

- 1 - 10 NE29 Johnson around RE 8
- 2 - 2 NE37 Johnson off LT 1 (Toomay) PENALTY - Tampa Bay, offsides, 5 yds. FIRST DOWN
- 1 - 10 NE42 Johnson around LE no gain (Sims)
- 2 - 10 NE42 Johnson around RE 3 (Wood)
- 3 - 7 NE45 Grogan passes, intercepted by Stone at T38, returned to NE36 26 (Grogan)

TAMPA BAY - 12:38

- 1 - 10 NE36 Williams up middle 2 (Barnes)
- 2 - 8 NE34 PENALTY - Tampa Bay, illegal procedure, 5 yds.
- 2 - 13 NE39 Spurrier complete to Novak 12 (Howard)
- 3 - 1 NE27 Williams off LT 6 (Thomas) FIRST DOWN
- 1 - 10 NE21 Carter up middle 2 (Webster)
- 2 - 8 NE19 Spurrier incomplete, intended for Owens
- 3 - 8 NE19 Spurrier sacked for loss of 6 - PENALTY - New England, offsides, 5 yds.
- 3 - 3 NE14 McNeill off RT 5 (Zabel) FIRST DOWN
- 1 - goal NE9 Carter around RE 3 (Lunsford)
- 2 - goal NE6 McNeill fumbles at NE6, recovered by New England - Webster

NEW ENGLAND - 8:24

- 1 - 10 NE6 Cunningham up middle 3 (Lemon)
- 2 - 7 NE9 Johnson around RE no gain (Wood)
- 3 - 7 NE9 Cunningham up middle 9 (Cotney) FIRST DOWN
- 1 - 10 NE18 Cunningham off RT 9 (Wood)
- 2 - 1 NE27 Johnson up middle 3 (Toomay) FIRST DOWN
- 1 - 10 NE30 Cunningham off ~~RT~~ LT 6 (Lemon)
- 2 - 4 NE36 Calhoun around LE 5 (Sims) FIRST DOWN
- 1 - 10 NE41 Calhoun up middle 2 (Wood)
- 2 - 8 NE43 Grogan incomplete, intended for Burks
- 3 - 8 NE43 Grogan incomplete, intended for Briscoe
- 4 - 8 NE43 Patrick punts, taken by Douglas at T13, returned to T27 14 (Hunt) PENALTY - New England, ineligible man downfield, declined

TAMPA BAY - ~~11:32~~ 3:32

- 1 - 10 T27 Johnson up middle 7 (King)
- 2 - 3 T34 Carter up middle no gain (Adams)
- 3 - 3 T34 Spurrier runs 8 (King) FIRST DOWN
- 1 - 10 T42 Williams off RT 3 (Thomas)
- 2 - 7 T45 Spurrier complete to Novak 22 (Zabel) FIRST DOWN
- 1 - 10 NE33 McNeill around RE 3 (Webster)
- 2 - 7 NE30

END OF FIRST QUARTER

TAMPA BAY - 0
NEW ENGLAND - 0

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SECOND QUARTER

TAMPA BAY

2 - 7 NE30 Carter off RT 6 (Zabel)
 3 - 1 NE24 Williams off LT 7 (Adams) FIRST DOWN
 1 - 10 NE17 Williams up middle for TOUCHDOWN - 13:37 - Green FIRST DOWN
 attempts extra point - good - PENALTY - New England, illegal
 procedure, declined 9 PLAYS, 73 YARDS

TAMPA BAY - 7
 NEW ENGLAND - 0

Green kicks, taken by Calhoun at NE16, out of bounds at NE31 15

NEW ENGLAND - 13:30

1 - 10 NE31 Johnson around RE for TOUCHDOWN - 13:17 - Smith FIRST DOWN
 attempts extra point - good 1 play, 69 yds.

TAMPA BAY - 7
 NEW ENGLAND - 7

Smith kicks, taken by Johnson at T7, returned to T30 23 (Tipton)

TAMPA BAY - 13:05

1 - 10 T30 Williams up middle 6 (Webster)
 2 - 4 T36 Carter around LE 1 (Haynes)
 3 - 3 T37 Spurrier complete to Williams 9 (King) FIRST DOWN
 1 - 10 T46 Carter around LE for loss of 2 (Haynes)
 2 - 12 T44 Spurrier complete to Williams 7 (King)
 3 - 5 NE49 Spurrier complete to Johnson no gain (King)
 4 - 5 NE49 Green punts, taken by Haynes at NE15, returned to NE22 7 (Jordan)
 PENALTY - New England, holding, ~~15~~ 15 yds.

NEW ENGLAND - 8:48

1 - 10 ~~NE6~~ NE6 Cunningham around LE 9 (Stone)
 2 - 1 NE15 Johnson around LE 3 (Jordan) - PENALTY - New England,
 holding, 10 yds.
 2 - 10 NE6 Grogan incomplete, intended for Chandler
 3 - 10 NE6 Grogan incomplete - PENALTY - New England, intentional
 grounding, 3 yds., loss of down
 4 - 13 NE3 Patrick punts, out of bounds at NE31

TAMPA BAY - 8:16

1 - 10 NE31 Spurrier complete to Johnson 9 (Adams)
 2 - 1 NE22 Williams around LE 6 (Haynes) FIRST DOWN
 1 - 10 NE16 Williams off LT 5 (Fox)
 2 - 5 NE11 Williams off LT 4 (Haynes)
 3 - 1 NE7 Johnson fumbles, recovered by Lunsford

NEW ENGLAND - 5:32

1 - 10 NE13 PENALTY - New England, offsides, 5 yds.
 1 - 15 NE8 Grogan complete to Vataha 8 (Jordan)
 2 - 7 NE16 Johnson around RE loss of 3 (Rudolph)
 3 - 10 NE13 Grogan complete to Cunningham 3 (Wood)
 4 - 7 NE16 Patrick punts, taken by Douglas at T37, returned to NE31 32
 (Zabel)

TAMPA BAY - 3:40

1 - 10 NE31 DuBose off LT 4 (King)
 2 - 6 NE27 Spurrier complete to Owens ~~for~~ for TOUCHDOWN - 2:52 - Green attempts
 extra point - good FIRST DOWN
 2 plays, 31 yds

TAMPA BAY - 14
 NEW ENGLAND - 7

Green kicks, taken by Calhoun at NE12, returned to NE28 16 (Lemon)

NEW ENGLAND - 2:42

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS VS NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS, TAMPA STADIUM, DECEMBER 12, 1976

SECOND QUARTER (continued)

1 - 10	NE28	Grogan incomplete, intended for Burks		
2 - 10	NE28	Calhoun up middle	14	(Toomay)
				FIRST DOWN
1 - 10	NE41	Johnson around RE	3	(Toomay)
2 - 7	NE44	Johnson up middle	4	
3 - 3	NE48	Grogan incomplete, intended for Calhoun		
4 - 3	NE48	Patrick punts, out of bounds at T16		

TAMPA BAY - 1:27

1 - 10	T16	Johnson up middle	3	(Hamilton)	
2 - 7	T19	Carter up middle	11	(Webster)	FIRST DOWN
1 - 10	T30	Carter up middle	1	(Bishop)	

END OF FIRST HALF

TAMPA BAY - 14
NEW ENGLAND - 7

FIRST HALF SUMMARY

New England VISITOR vs. TAMPA BAY HOME DECEMBER 12, 1976 DATE TAMPA STADIUM SITE

PERIOD SCORES

VISITOR 0 - _____ = _____
 HOME 0 - _____ = _____
 (HALFTIME SCORE)

TEAM	PERIOD	ELAPSED TIME	SCORING PLAY	SCORE	
				VISITOR	HOME
Tampa Bay	2	1:23	Williams 17 Run (Green Kick)	0	7
New England	2	1:43	Johnson 69 Run (Smith Kick)	7	7
Tampa Bay	2	12:08	Owens 27 Pass from Spurrier (Green Kick)	7	14

TOTAL FIRST DOWNS

First Downs Rushing-Passing-by Penalty

THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY

TOTAL NET YARDS

Total No. Offensive Plays (Include times thrown passing)

NET YARDS RUSHING

NET YARDS PASSING

Gross Yards Gained Passing

Times Thrown — Yards Lost Attempting to Pass

PASS ATTEMPTS — COMPLETIONS — HAD INTERCEPTED

PUNTS — Number and Average

PENALTIES — Number and Yards

FUMBLES — Number and Lost

VISITOR	<u>New England</u>	HOME	<u>TAMPA BAY</u>
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	<u>6</u>		<u>10</u>
First Downs Rushing-Passing-by Penalty	<u>5-0-1</u>		<u>7-3-0</u>
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	<u>6-1</u>		<u>7-5</u>
TOTAL NET YARDS	<u>155</u>		<u>188</u>
Total No. Offensive Plays (Include times thrown passing)	<u>26</u>		<u>33</u>
NET YARDS RUSHING	<u>144</u>		<u>102</u>
NET YARDS PASSING	<u>11</u>		<u>86</u>
Gross Yards Gained Passing	<u>11</u>		<u>86</u>
Times Thrown — Yards Lost Attempting to Pass	<u>0-0</u>		<u>0-0</u>
PASS ATTEMPTS — COMPLETIONS — HAD INTERCEPTED	<u>9-2-1</u>		<u>8-7-0</u>
PUNTS — Number and Average	<u>4-38.8</u>		<u>1-34</u>
PENALTIES — Number and Yards	<u>5-38</u>		<u>2-10</u>
FUMBLES — Number and Lost	<u>0-0</u>		<u>2-2</u>

VISITOR New England

HOME Tampa Bay

RUSHING						ATT.	NET YARDS	AVG.	LONG GAIN	TD
JOHNSON						9	87	9.6	(69)	1
CUNNINGHAM						5	36	7.2	9	0
CALHOUN						3	21	7.0	14	0
PASSING		ATT.	COMP.	YARDS	TKD YDS.	TD	LG.	Had Int.		
SEOGAN		9	2	11	0	0	8	1		
PASS RECEIVING			NO.	YARDS	LG.	TD				
VATAHA			1	8	8	0				
CUNNINGHAM			1	3	3	0				

RUSHING						ATT.	NET YARDS	AVG.	LONG GAIN	TD
Williams						9	56	6.2	(17)	1
CARTER						8	22	2.7	11	0
MCNEILL						3	8	2.6	5	0
SPURRIER						1	8	8.0	8	0
JOHNSON						3	4	1.3	7	0
DUBOSE						1	4	4.0	4	0
PASSING		ATT.	COMP.	YARDS	TKD YDS.	TD	LG.	Had Int.		
SPURRIER		8	7	86	0	1	(27)	0		
PASS RECEIVING			NO.	YARDS	LG.	TD				
NOVAK			2	34	22	0				
WILLIAMS			2	16	9	0				
JOHNSON			2	9	9	0				
OWENS			1	27	(27)	1				

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS VS NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS, TAMPA STADIUM, DECEMBER 12, 1976

THIRD QUARTER

Smith kicks, taken by Johnson at T2, returned to T30 28 (Phillips)

TAMPA BAY - 14:49

- 1 - 10 T30 Williams off LT 1 (Hunt)
- 2 - 9 T31 Spurrier incomplete, intended for Owens
- 3 - 9 T31 Spurrier runs for gain of 15 - PENALTY - Tampa Bay, holding, 10 yds.
- 3 - 19 T21 Johnson up middle 1 (Adams)
- 4 - 18 T22 Green punts, taken by NE41 by Haynes, returned to T49 10 (Reese)

NEW ENGLAND - 13:07

- 1 - 10 T49 Cunningham around LE 3 (Pierson)
- 2 - 7 T46 Grogan incomplete, intended for Vataha
- 3 - 7 T46 Grogan incomplete, intended for Burks - touched by two offensive players
- 4 - 7 T46 Patrick punts, touchback

TAMPA BAY - 12:43

- 1 - 10 T20 Williams off RT 2 (Hunt)
- 2 - 8 T22 McNeill around LE 7
- 3 - 1 T29 Carter stopped for no gain (Barnes)
- 4 - 1 T29 Green punts, downed at NE35

NEW ENGLAND - 11:01

- 1 - 10 NE35 Johnson around RE 24 (Stone) FIRST DOWN
- 1 - 10 T41 Calhoun up middle 7 (Cotney) PENALTY - New England, holding, 10 yds.
- 1 - 20 NE49 Burks on end-around 2 (Ball)
- 2 - 18 T49 Grogan complete to Burks 17 (Jordan)
- 3 - 1 T32 Calhoun up middle 2 ~~MEMMMMM~~ FIRST DOWN
- 1 - 10 T30 Johnson off RT 3 (Moore)
- 2 - 7 T27 Johnson around LE 1 (Lemon)
- 3 - 6 T26 Calhoun up middle 3 (Wood)
- 4 - 3 T23 Calhoun off RT 10 (Gunn) FIRST DOWN
- 1 - 10 T13 Calhoun up middle 4 (Moore)
- 2 - 6 T9 Johnson around RE for TOUCHDOWN - 4:59 - PENALTY - Tampa Bay, offsides, declined - Smith attempts extra point - good 10 plays, 65 yds.

TAMPA BAY - 14
NEW ENGLAND - 14

FIRST DOWN

Smith kicks, taken by Douglas at goal line, returned to T27 27 (Blahak)

TAMPA BAY - 4:48

- 1 - 10 T27 Carter complete to Williams 18 (Barnes) FIRST DOWN
- 1 - 10 T45 McNeill around RE no gain (Howard)
- 2 - 10 T45 Spurrier incomplete, intended for Novak - PENALTY - New England, offsides, 5 yds.
- 2 - 5 50 Williams up middle 1 (Adams)
- 3 - 5 NE49 Spurrier runs for gain of 3 (Adams)
- 4 - 1 NE46 Williams off LT no gain (Zabel)

NEW ENGLAND - 1:44

- 1 - 10 NE46 Calhoun around LE 1 (Pierson)
- 2 - 9 NE47 Vataha on double reverse for gain of 7 (Moore) PENALTY - New England, clipping, 16 yds.
- 2 - 25 NE31 Grogan incomplete, intended for Chandler
- 3 - 25 NE31 Grogan complete to Calhoun 12 (Jordan)
- 4 - 13 NE43

END OF THIRD QUARTER

TAMPA BAY - 14
NEW ENGLAND - 14

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FOURTH QUARTER

NEW ENGLAND

4 - 13 NE43 Patrick punts, taken by Douglas at T8, returned to T28 20
(Germany)

TAMPA BAY - 14:48

1 - 10 T28 Carter on half-back option, incomplete, intended for Douglas
 2 - 10 T28 Spurrier dropped for loss of 5 yds. (McGee)
 3 - 15 T23 Spurrier complete to Smith 16 (McBry) PENALTY - New England,
 offsides, declined FIRST DOWN
 1 - 10 T39 Carter around RE loss of 2 (Webster)
 2 - 12 T37 Spurrier complete to Novak 21 (Fox) FIRST DOWN
 1 - 10 NE42 Williams around LE no gain (Haynes)
 2 - 10 NE42 Spurrier runs 7 (Hunt)
 3 - 3 NE35 Williams up middle loss of 2 PENALTY - Tampa Bay, illegal motion
~~declined~~
 4 - 5 NE37 Green punts, touchback

NEW ENGLAND - 11:39

1 - 10 NE20 Johnson around RE 3 (Moore)
 2 - 7 NE23 Grogan runs around LE 5 (Gunn)
 3 - 2 NE28 Calhoun around LE loss of 2 (Lemon)
 4 - 4 NE26 Patrick punts, taken by Douglas at T32, returned to T44 12
 (Conn) - PENALTY - New England, ineligible player
 downfield - declined

TAMPA BAY - 9:18

1 - 10 T44 Carter around RE 8 (Howard)
 2 - 2 NE48 McNeill off RT ~~4~~ 4 (Zabel) FIRST DOWN
 1 - 10 NE44 Carter up middle 1 (Hamilton)
 2 - 9 NE43 Spurrier complete to Williams loss of 1 (Hunt)
 3 - 10 NE44 Spurrier intercepted at NE32 by Hunt for TOUCHDOWN - 6:15 - Smith
attempts extra point - good FIRST DOWN

TAMPA BAY - ~~14~~ 14
 NEW ENGLAND - 21

Smith kicks, taken by Douglas at T5, returned to T34 29 (King)

TAMPA BAY - 6:06

1 - 10 T34 Carter up middle 1 (Tipton)
 2 - 9 T35 Carter around LE 2 (Tipton)
 3 - 7 T37 Spurrier sacked for loss of ~~12~~ 12 (Tipton)
 4 - 19 T25 Green punts, taken by Haynes at NE43, returned to T21 36 (Pierson)

NEW ENGLAND - 4:19

1 - 10 T21 Calhoun up middle 2 (Robinson)
 2 - 8 T19 Phillips around RE 6 (Cotney)
 3 - 2 T13 Phillips off RT no gain (Wood)
 4 - 2 T13 Smith attempts 30-yard field goal - good - 2:41

TAMPA BAY - 14
 NEW ENGLAND - 24

Smith kicks, taken by Douglas at T2, returned to T31 29 (Phillips)

TAMPA BAY - 2:31

1 - 10 T31 Spurrier incomplete, batted down
~~2~~ 2 - 10 T31 Spurrier complete to DuBose 5 (Hunt)
 3 - 5 T36 Spurrier incomplete, intended for Novak
 4 - 5 T36 Green kicks, fake, Pagac runs for gain of 4

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FOURTH QUARTER (continued)

NEW ENGLAND - 1:52

1 - 10 T40 Grogan runs for loss of 4 (Sims)
2 - 14 T44 Calhoun off LT 23 (Cotney) FIRST DOWN
1 - 10 T21 ~~MM~~ Calhoun around RE 4 (Jordan)
2 - 6 T17 Phillips off RT 16 (Sims) Zabel FIRST DOWN
1 - goal T1 Grogan keeps for TOUCHDOWN - :04 - ~~MMMM~~ attempts extra point -
good FIRST DOWN

TAMPA BAY - 14
NEW ENGLAND - 31

Smith kicks, into end zone for touchback

END OF GAME

TAMPA BAY - 14
NEW ENGLAND - 31

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

(Unofficial)

12/12/76

Tampa Stadium

Visitor									Home								
	Tackles	Assists	Sacks	Yards Lost	Interceptions	Passes Defensed	Fumbles Recovered	Blocked Punt FG and PAT		Tackles	Assists	Sacks	Yards Lost	Interceptions	Passes Defensed	Fumbles Recovered	Blocked Punt FG and PAT
N.E. Patriots									Tampa Bay Bucs								
21 Blahak	2								20 Pearson	3					1		
22 Conn	1								21 Brown	1							
24 Howard	2	1				1			24 Wood	1	1						
29 Gernany	1								25 Jordan	4	1						
34 McCray	2	1							27 Davis								
40 Haynes	3	1							28 Stone	2	2			1			
48 Fox	2	2				1			30 Gunn	2	1						
50 Hunt	4				1	1			33 Cotney	3	1				1		
51 Thomas	1	1							52 Reese	1					1		
52 King	5	2							53 Ball	1	1				1		
54 Label	5								54 Wood	5	1				1		
57 Nelson									55 Sims	4	2						
58 Brock									57 Lemon	5	1						
59 Barnes	3	1							64 Robinson	1							
60 Tipton	5		1	8					65 Moore	3	1						
64 Bishop									66 Toomay	4							
71 Hamilton	2								69 McAloney								
72 Lunsted	1	2				1			76 Pear								
78 McGee									78 Rudolph	2							
85 Adams	4	1															
90 Webster	5	2				1											
14 Grogan	1																
35 Phillips	2																

Forced Fumbles:

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