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WR

KELVIN BENJAMIN



6-5

245

5TH YEAR



FEBRUARY 5, 1991 (AGE 27)



BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA



GLADES CENTRAL HS



FLORIDA STATE

ACQUIRED 2017

Traded from Carolina on October 31, 2017 for a 3rd and 7th round pick in 2018.

SHOUTOUTS

- Caught his first TD as a Bill - an 8-yard grab from Nathan Peterman - in a heavy snowstorm vs. Ind (10/10/17).
- In 2014, set Panthers rookie records with 73 catches, 1,008 receiving yards, and 9 TDs.
- Earned NFL Offensive Rookie of the Month honors in September 2014.
- In 2013, became the first Florida State player to record 1,000 receiving yards in a season since Anquan Boldin in 2002.
- Grabbed two TD catches in NFC Divisional playoff game at Seattle (1/10/15), tying a team record.
- Led the Panthers with TD catches in 2014 (9) and in 2016 (7).
- Ranked 5th in NFL in 2016 in yards per catch (14.9) among receivers with 60+ receptions. He trailed Julio Jones (17.0), T.Y. Hilton (15.9), Tyrell Williams (15.4), and Brandin Cooks (15.0).



FIRST-AND-10

KELVIN BENJAMIN was acquired in a trade from Carolina at the trade deadline on October 31, 2017 for a 3rd and 7th round pick in 2018. A tall and powerful receiver, he was a first round draft choice (28th overall) of the Panthers in 2014. The Belle Glade, FL, native capped off his collegiate career at Florida State in 2013 with a 2-yard, game-winning touchdown catch from Jameis Winston with 13 seconds left in the BCS Championship.

IF YOU HAVEN'T 'HERD'

DEEPER INSPIRATION

One week before the start of training camp in 2017, Kelvin's mother, Christine Benjamin, unexpectedly passed away.

"She was my everything," said Benjamin, who helped his mother retire early and moved her out of Belle Glade. "She sacrificed a lot for me."

LONG ROAD TO THE NFL

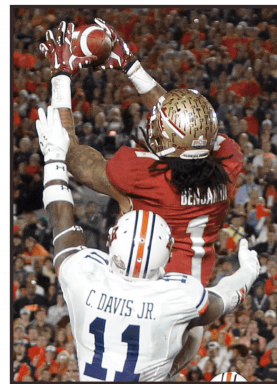
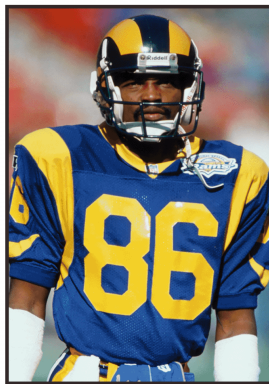
To find Benjamin playing in the NFL now is quite remarkable given that he began playing football as a sophomore in high school. "Man, I wasn't even thinking I was even going to college while I was in high school let alone play in the NFL," said Benjamin. "Then I was getting called to the principal's office after my first season of football to be looked at by college coaches. It was crazy. I still didn't believe [I was going to college] until my final year of high school."

PERSONAL

Is the son of the late Christine Benjamin. Has a daughter, Kelyiah, and a son, Kingsten. Has two English bulldogs, Mocha and Smokey.



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BITS ON BENJAMIN

- Played collegiately with Bills tight end Nick O'Leary at Florida State.
- As a child, would often chase down rabbits in his hometown to help with his agility and speed.
- Played football and competed in the high jump and long jump while at Glades Central HS.
- Organized a family fun day called "Muck Madness" in his hometown of Belle Glade, otherwise known as Muck City. Benjamin aspires to help troubled kids as he continues his NFL career and do "anything I can to help brighten their day."

JESSIE'S BOY

Benjamin credits his high school coach, former NFL receiver Jessie Hester, for getting him to where he is today. "I didn't even know how to line up as a receiver when I started," said Benjamin. "He taught me everything, how to run routes, how to mentally prepare. He held me accountable. He saw something in me that I didn't see in myself."

Recalled Hester when they first met, "I said, 'Hey, how's basketball going.' He said he didn't play basketball; that he was coming out for football. I told him, 'I'll make you this promise. If you keep yourself out of trouble, make pretty good grades and come to school every day I can pretty much guarantee you're going to get a college scholarship.'"

THE
STAMPEDE

NICKNAME:

KB

FAVORITE SPORTS MEMORY
AS A FAN:

Watching Kevin Durant in person vs. the Rockets

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT:

Jamaica

IF YOU COULD HAVE ONE
SUPERPOWER:

Run like Flash

NUMBER ONE THING ON
YOUR BUCKET LIST:

Travel the world

MOST UNIQUE THING
ORDERED ONLINE:

Mobile controller to play video games on my iPhone, especially RUBG

PRIZED POSSESSION:

National championship ring



FAVORITE TV SHOWS:

Walking Dead and Vikings

FAVORITE BUFFALO-AREA
RESTAURANT:

Uncle Joe's Diner

IF YOU COULD PLAY ANY
OTHER SPORT:

Goalie for Real Madrid

STRANGEST THING YOU
LIKE TO EAT:

Rabbit and alligator

BEST PLAYER EVER LINED
UP AGAINST:

Xavier Rhodes and Greg Reid in practice at Florida State



KELVIN BENJAMIN - NFL REGULAR SEASON STATISTICS

DATE	TEAM	GP	GS	RECEIVING					RUSHING				
				NO.	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	LG	TD
2014	Panthers	16	15	73	1,008	13.8	51	9	0	0	0.0	0	0
2016	Panthers	16	13	63	941	14.9	50	7	0	0	0.0	0	0
2017	Panthers	8	8	32	475	14.8	43	2	0	0	0.0	0	0
2017	Bills	6	6	16	217	13.6	35	1	0	0	0.0	0	0
TOTALS		46	42	184	2,641	14.4	51	19	0	0	0.0	0	0

SINGLE-GAME HIGHS: RUSHING/RECEIVING

Receptions 9 vs. Philadelphia Eagles, Oct 12, 2017

Receiving Yards 115 vs. Pittsburgh Steelers, Sep 21, 2014

Longest Receptions 51 vs. Seattle Seahawks, Oct 26, 2014

Receiving TDs 2 vs. San Francisco 49ers, Sep 18, 2016

All-purpose yards 115 vs. Pittsburgh Steelers, Sep 21, 2014

Miscellaneous Tackles 1 vs. Los Angeles Chargers, Dec 11, 2016

Most TDs 2 vs. San Francisco 49ers, Sep 18, 2016

2017 GAME-BY-GAME REGULAR SEASON STATISTICS (PANTHERS/BILLS)

DATE	OPPONENT	P/S	RECEIVING					RUSHING					W/L	SCORE
			NO	YDS	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	LG	TD				
09/10	at 49ers	S	1	25	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	W	23-3
09/17	BILLS	S	6	77	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	W	9-3
09/24	SAINTS	S	2	8	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	L	13-34
10/01	at Patriots	S	4	104	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	W	33-30
10/08	at Lions	S	4	58	31†	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	W	27-24
10/12	EAGLES	S	9	99	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	L	23-28
10/22	at Bears	S	3	65	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	L	3-17
10/29	at Buccaneers	S	3	39	25†	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	W	17-3
11/05	FALCONS		DID NOT PLAY									W	20-17	
11/12	SAINTS	S	3	42	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	L	10-47
11/19	at Chargers	S	1	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	L	24-54
11/26	at Chiefs		INACTIVE									W	16-10	
12/03	PATRIOTS		INACTIVE									L	3-23	
12/10	COLTS	S	3	38	21	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	W	13-7+
12/17	DOLPHINS	S	2	20	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	W	24-16
12/24	at Patriots	S	5	70	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	L	16-37
12/31	at Dolphins	S	2	27	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	W	22-16
2017 TOTALS		14-14	48	692	43	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	10-7	

+ - Overtime