



GATOR BOWL HISTORY

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

QUICK FACTS

Gator Bowl Appearances: 3

Gator Bowl Record: 2-1

Last Gator Bowl Played: December 29, 1980

APPEARANCE HISTORY

12th Game: December 29, 1956

Pittsburgh Panthers vs. Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets

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Stadium: Gator Bowl Stadium

Attendance: 32,256

Coached By: John Michelosen

Team MVP: Corny Salvaterra, QB

33rd Game: December 30, 1977

Pittsburgh Panthers vs. Clemson Tigers

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Stadium: Gator Bowl Stadium

Attendance: 72,289

Coached By: Jackie Sherrill

Team MVP: Matt Cavanaugh, QB

36th Game: December 29, 1980

Pittsburgh Panthers vs. South Carolina Gamecocks

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Stadium: Gator Bowl Stadium

Attendance: 72,297

Coached By: Jackie Sherrill

Team MVP: Rick Trocano, QB

ICONIC PLAYERS, COACHES & MOMENTS

- The 1956 Gator Bowl reached 60 million viewers on television. The Panthers lost by a touchdown to the Yellow Jackets.
- In the 1977 Gator Bowl, Matt Cavanaugh threw for 387 yards and four touchdowns to lead the Panthers for the win.



Fred Jacobs, 1977

- The Panthers came into the 1980 Gator Bowl as the 3rd best team in the nation. The Panthers ended up destroying the Gamecocks 37-9.

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