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Nicole Thompson of Franklin, front, tries to control the ball against Hendersonville's Kara Glielmi during last night's sectional showdown. (Michael Clancy)

Franklin denies Hendersonville again

One team hoped to end a streak while another one was hoping to extend one last night when Franklin and Hendersonville played in the Class AAA girls soccer Sectional final. Host Franklin beat its rival Hendersonville 2-0, advancing to the state semifinals for the second consecutive year. Hendersonville has lost in the Sectional final six straight years.

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COMMENTARY

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Memphis gives Vols moments to remember

Tennessee doesn't need to be reminded of the Memphis mauling.

When the Vols visit Memphis Saturday, there will be few, if any, players who were part of one of the last Tennessee-Memphis game played at the Liberty Bowl.

Memphis won for the first and only time against the Vols. The goal posts tumbled, the Memphis fans frolicked as the Orange kingdom was crushed.

Memphis wins its games with defense and trying to get by any way they can on offense.

With a freshman quarterback in Casey Clausen still learning the ropes, look for this to be a low-scoring game.

If Clausen can keep mistakes to a minimum, the Vols should prevail. Nothing suggests the Vols won't be in another nail-biter such as they experienced at South Carolina.

Memphis fans are looking for another Memphis moment to remember.

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