

As we continue the college basketball collection for Bank Shot Basketball with **College Set 03**, we venture further into college basketball history, while still giving you the greatest teams, the most phenomenal players, and the stories seasons that give college basketball the shining moments that highlight each spring on televisions nationwide.

This is a fun one, folks! For history alone, the 1966 Texas Western Miners basketball team is one to add to your collection. If you're a fan of the film *Glory Road*, then you can appreciate what coach Don Haskins and his team accomplished in the tumultuous spring of 1966. Their foes from the Bluegrass State – a team that included Pat Riley – are coming in a future set.

Let's move to the champions, which, in this set, include 1981 Indiana, 1985 Villanova, 1987 Indiana, 1989 Michigan, 1999 UConn, 2000 Michigan State, 2009 North Carolina, and 2012 Kentucky. The 2020 Kansas Jayhawks could theoretically be added to this list as they finished the Covid-riddled season 28-3, ranked #1 in the polls. The tournament, unfortunately, was cancelled due to the pandemic.

Featured players in this set include but are not limited to Alex English & Mike Dunleavy (1976 South Carolina), Isiah Thomas (1981 Indiana), Kelly Tripucka & Orlando Woolridge (1981 Notre Dame), Ralph Sampson (1983 Virginia), Johnny Dawkins (1986 Duke), Len Bias (1986 Maryland), Steve Alford (1987 Indiana), Hersey Hawkins (1988 Bradley), Stacey King & Mookie Blaylock (1988 Oklahoma), Glen Rice (1989 Michigan), Dikembe Mutombo & Alonzo Mourning (1991 Georgetown), Jimmy Jackson (1992 Ohio State), Deon Thomas (1993 Illinois), Todd Day (1994 Arkansas), Antawn Jamison & Vince Carter (1998 North Carolina), Richard Hamilton (1999 UConn), Morris Peterson & Mateen Cleaves (2000 Michigan State), J.J. Redick (2006 Duke), Adam Morrison (2006 Gonzaga), Tyler Hansbrough (2009 North Carolina), Anthony Davis (2012 Kentucky), Doug McDermott (2014 Creighton), and Lonzo Ball (2017 UCLA). This list could have been longer, as we had to cut it short to remain on a single page. This set is stacked with college basketball superstars.

We have discussed playing great games in previous sets. Here you have the most unlikely upset in college basketball history. On December 23, 1983, the NAIA's Chaminade Silverswords defeated the #1 ranked Virginia Cavaliers starring Raph Sampson, the most hyped big man since Kareem Abdul-Jabbar. Can they do it again on your tabletop?

This set includes some fun players, all named above, but we should take a moment to highlight the nation's leading scorer in 1988, Hersey Hawkins of the Bradley Braves. Hawkins led the nation with 36.3 PPG, shooting 58% from two-point range and 39% from three. Throw in that he shoots 85% from the charity stripe, and you have a fun player at Bradley. You can also play the final Len Bias story in remembrance with the 1986 Maryland Terrapins.

We also have a record-setting team as the 1987 Indiana Hoosiers still, today, hold the record for three-point field goal percentage as a team (50.8%).

Want to run? Take the 1988 Oklahoma Sooners (102.9 PPG) for a spin. Or maybe you want to try the 1994 Arkansas Razorback and their "40 minutes of hell" as they put up 93.4 PPG.

To request your favorite teams for future sets, contact S.T. Patrick at SportsSimMagazine@gmail.com.

Teams included: 1966 Texas Western, 1976 South Carolina, 1981 Indiana, 1981 Notre Dame, 1983 Virginia, 1983 Chaminade, 1984 Kentucky, 1985 Villanova, 1986 Duke, 1986 Maryland, 1987 Indiana, 1988 Bradley, 1988 Oklahoma, 1989 Michigan, 1991 Georgetown, 1992 Ohio State, 1993 Illinois, 1994 Arkansas, 1998 North Carolina, 1999 UConn, 2000 Michigan State, 2006 Duke, 2006 George Mason, 2006 Gonzaga, 2009 North Carolina, 2012 Kentucky, 2014 Creighton, 2017 UCLA, 2020 Kansas, and 2021 Illinois.