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The Express: The Ernie Davis Story

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There was only one enemy that Ernie Davis could not defeat. His story starts in Elmira, New York, where he was a multi-sport star for his high school. He went to Syracuse University afterward, leading his fellow teammates to an undefeated season, along with the national championship of 1959. Two years later, he beat the rushing record held by Jim Brown and was the first African American to

achieve the right to win the Heisman Trophy. But, before he had a chance to spearhead the Cleveland Browns to victory, he was attacked by a case of leukemia, dying only a year

later. *The Express: The Ernie Davis Story* is an amazing look into the life of one of the greatest All-American athletes this country has ever seen and shows the dignity and honor that this one play showed in the face of odds that would end up killing him. This wonderfully researched book will amaze any football fan of any team and will give them a new sense of why they love this game.

