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KAREEM JACKSON

AGE: 36 (April 10, 1988) | HT: 5-10 | WT: 183

COLLEGE: Alabama

NFL EXP: 15 Years

HOMETOWN: Macon, GA

ACQUIRED: Free Agent (2024)

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FIRST-AND-10

KAREEM JACKSON signed a one-year contract in 2024 with the Bills. Jackson originally entered the NFL in 2010 as a first-round pick (20th overall) out of Alabama with the Texans. After nine seasons with Houston, Jackson spent the 2019-23 seasons with the Broncos and finished 2023 on the Texans after being claimed off waivers on December 26, 2023.

SHOUTOUTS

- A 15th-year defensive back who has started 193-of-203 regular-season games and eight postseason contests during his NFL career with Houston (2010-18, 2023) and Denver (2019-23).
- Totaled 954 tackles (737 solo), three sacks, 22 interceptions (returning three for TDs), 110 passes defended, seven forced fumbles and seven fumble recoveries during his career.
- Jackson played in 10 games during the 2023 season with the Broncos and Texans where he collected 55 total tackles, two interceptions and three passes defended.
- Started every game for Denver in 2022, totaling 94 tackles (55 solo) along with three passes defended and two fumble recoveries in 17 games.
- Recorded a team-leading 88 tackles (62 solo) and added one sack, one interception and two passes defended in 15 games played (all starts) in 2021.
- Started all 16 games with the Broncos in 2020, finishing the year with a career-high 89 tackles, one interception, four passes defended and two fumble recoveries while playing a career-best 1,083 defensive snaps.
- Started all 13 games played during his first year with Denver in 2019, totaling 71 tackles (48 solo), two interceptions (28 yds.), 10 passes defended, one forced fumble and a fumble returned for a touchdown.
- Recorded 589 tackles (489 solo), two sacks (17 yds.), 16 interceptions (336 yds.), three interceptions returned for a touchdown, 88 passes defended, five forced fumbles and three fumble recoveries during his nine years in Houston.

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I DO IT FOR ROSSALYN

Rossalyn did what she was supposed to. She reached her 40s, had a mammogram and was cleared. The doctor said so. But she never felt right. A lump in her breast wouldn't go away. Neither would her worry. So Rossalyn returned to the doctor, not telling her family about the trip because she didn't want to cause concern.

It was 1995. She was 45. Cancer had arrived. Kareem just wondered. At 7, he was too young to know what cancer meant. He just knew his mother was seriously ill. "The only thing you really think about is, 'Is mom going to make it?'" Kareem said.

For 11 years, Kareem's mother knew what it meant to feel like almost everybody else. No pain. No cancer. A full, healthy life.

Then the disease returned. A different breast. The same symptoms. Another surgery to remove a lump followed. So did remission. For the second time in her life, Rossalyn beat breast cancer. But the scars from the last battle still show.

"I realized one day it was going to be over, and one day it was," said Rossalyn. "It took something out of me. You don't ever get the memory out - you don't ever forget it. It's a constant thing. I always think about it. But I go ahead and live my life."

"That's what I want my foundation to be. Providing families with seriously and chronically ill children with daily encouragement and life changing experiences. Honoring and supporting women who are battling and those who have achieved victory over breast cancer. Because I know what it's like and no one should have to through it alone."

(houstonchronicle.com, **Brian T. Smith, Oct. 12, 2013**)

PERSONAL

Jackson attended Westside High School (GA) and concluded a three-year varsity career with 3,447 rushing yards and 46 touchdowns. Jackson attended the University of Alabama and was a member of the 2009 BCS National Championship team.