

# LS 69 **REID FERGUSON**

AGE: 30 (March 24, 1994) COLLEGE: ISU HOMETOWN: Buford, GA

HT: 6-2 WT: 235 NFL EXP: 8 Years ACQUIRED: FA (2024)

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# **FIRST-AND-10**

**REID FERGUSON** originally joined the Bills as a rookie free agent in 2016 from LSU and was added to the practice squad later that year. In 2017, he became the team's primary long snapper. In 2021, Ferguson signed a three-year contract extension with Buffalo that runs through the 2024 season. He is longest tenured player on the Bills roster.

### SHOUTOUTS

- Appeared in all 16/17 games for the 8th consecutive season in 2024
- Played in 100th career regular season game at Was. (9/24/23).
- In 2022, was part of a special teams unit that ranked 5th in the NFL (according to Rick Gosselin) and 1st in DVOA as calculated by Football Outsiders.
- He and his brother, Blake, played against each other for first time in their lives at Mia (9/20/20).
- The Bills are 9-3 when he records a tackle on special teams in his career.
- Earned spot on practice squad in 2016 behind long snapper Garrison Sanborn.
- Served as LSU's long snapper for all 51 games of his collegiate career (2012-15) and only had one errant snap which occurred on his first snap as a freshman.
- Earned first-team All-America honors by Phil Steele in 2015.
- Rated as the nation's #2 long snapper coming out of high school by Scout.com and earned a scholarship to LSU.
- Earned a spot on the academic honor roll during all four years of college.
- Has visited 13 current MLB stadiums in his quest to see all 30 venues.

# **IF YOU HAVEN'T HERD**

#### GRTI I S MAFTA

An avid backyard grill artist, Ferguson has transformed his love of grilling into charity while connecting with Bills Mafia. He sells a line of stylish T-shirts and grilling accessories on grillsmafiamerch.com which benefit Western New York food-based and



veterans charities. More information can be found on X at @ SnapFlow69 and @GrillsMafia. In August, Ferguson's grilling expertise was featured on an episode of GMA3, a lifestyle and entertainment show on ABC.



# PERSONAL

He and his wife, Erica, have two daughters, Blakely and Piper. Is the son of Kevin and Tracy Ferguson. His brother, Blake, earned a national championship as a long snapper with LSU in 2019 and was a 6th round pick of the Miami Dolphins in 2020. Has a Goldendoodle named Buck and a Labradoodle named Luna. Earned a degree in sports administration and criminology. Began playing football in the 5th grade for the Alpharetta (GA) Eagles. Works extensively with the Veteran's One Stop Center of Western New York.

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#### **BROTHERLY LOVE, FERGUSON STYLE**

Reid and Blake Ferguson took similar paths to the NFL growing up in Buford, GA. Both attended Buford HS and LSU. And both are now playing in the AFC East, as Blake was drafted by the Dolphins in 2020. Blake learned a great deal from his big brother over the years, but it was not a one-way street. "Perseverance is the best thing I learned from Blake," recalled Reid. "His battle with diabetes over the years put a lot of things in perspective for me. Things that seemed like big problems are nothing compared to what he went through."

#### **FIGHT FOR HIS FAMILY**

Ferguson's brother, Blake, was diagnosed as a Type 1 diabetic in 2011 at the age of 13. Since then, it has been a family mission to raise awareness and funds to fight diabetes. In fact, during the 2018 offseason, he joined his brother and the American Diabetes Association in a trip to Capitol Hill to meet with lawmakers to raise awareness. "The experience I had at Call to Congress with the American Diabetes Association was very eye-opening," Ferguson told the Buffalo News. "To be able to go to the Hill and continue the talks to get more funding for diabetes research was incredible."

#### SOCCER TEAM OWNER

In 2023, Reid and his brother, Blake, became minority owners of Swansea City AFC in Wales. "Sports ownership has always been a goal of mine and I love the game of soccer. It was an opportunity I could not pass up," said Ferguson.



# THE STAMPEDE

Best recipe on the grill: My own pulled pork recipe Favorite household chore: Laundry Favorite food to eat in the car: Chic-fil-A chicken sandwich Favorite brother combo in sports: Peyton and Eli Manning Least favorite rule in baseball: Blackouts Favorite app on phone: Reddit Favorite podcast: Talkin' Baseball First car you drove: 1977 Pontiac LeMans Best concert you attended: Chris Stapleton in Atlanta

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

Ferguson was the Bills nominee for the NFL's Salute to Service award in 2022 and 2023 due to his commitment to honoring active and retired military members. One of his initiatives is hosting an annual happy hour for military members, veterans and their families in the Buffalo area called "Thank a Vet BBQ."

"Sometimes it's easy to take for granted the freedom that we have on a day to day basis and I think my involvement centers around an appreciation of what they've given and what they've laid on the line."

Ferguson's grandfathers Jim Seale and Robert Ferguson as well as his great uncle Jerry Seale and great grandfather Howard Seale all served in the military.

# **BUFFALO TRACKS**

#### LONGEST TENURED BILLS

- Reid Ferguson (since 2016)
- Dion Dawkins and Matt Milano (since 2017)
- Josh Allen and Taron Johnson (since 2018)

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#### REGULAR SEASON GAMES PLAYED/STARTED

2017 (Buf, 16/0), 2018 (Buf, 16/0), 2019 (Buf, 16/0), 2020 (Buf, 16/0), 2021 (Buf, 17/0), 2022 (Buf, 16/0), 2023 (Buf, 17/0), 2024 (Buf, 17/0) ... Totals (131/0)

#### **POSTSEASON GAMES PLAYED/STARTED**

2017 (Buf, 1/0), 2019 (Buf, 1/0), 2020 (Buf, 3/0), 2021 (Buf, 2/0), 2022 (Buf, 2/0), 2023 (Buf, 2/0), 2024 (Buf, 2/0) ... Totals (13/0)