

# Travelers Championship

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## Keegan Bradley

### Quick Quotes

#### **Q. What's to like it start a round 7:20 in the morning and birdie the first five holes?**

KEEGAN BRADLEY: It was amazing. There are some tough shots there actually, especially when you're off that early.

They're all birdie holes, but they're all bogey holes as well. I hit just perfect shots on every shot I had on those first five holes.

#### **Q. So you mentioned that the sub-60 did creep in your head. (Regarding Furyk.) When did you start thinking about 58?**

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Well, when I made that really long putt on 17 and it was -- could have gone in the water. I don't know, crossed my mind. I wasn't thinking about it a lot, but I certainly was going to try to do it.

#### **Q. You mentioned it popped into your mind. In baseball when guys have a no hitter going deep into a game, you don't talk about it. When you're out there with your caddie you may have it pop in your mind, but you don't bring it up, kind of an unspoken rule that it doesn't...**

KEEGAN BRADLEY: No, doesn't. And I thought about it hardly. You know, I got enough on my hands when I play out here.

So, I mean, it popped into my mind for a second. For the most part I was trying to execute the shots and do what we've been trying to do out here, and it was fun to match up a good ball striking and putting day.

#### **Q. You shoot 29 the first nine and then you get to go hug your son. Does life get any better than that?**

KEEGAN BRADLEY: No. This is a special week. I don't get to have my family out here a lot anymore with school, and having them out here is an advantage for me.



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It's really special to see my son out in the crowd watching, cheering. It's just really great.

#### **Q. How old is he now? How much does he understand what you go through?**

KEEGAN BRADLEY: He's five, and I would say over the last six months, eight months he's getting it now and he loves to come out and watch. He likes to cheer and clap and it's really special.

I've grown up watching the veteran guys have their kids out here and seeing them grow up on the TOUR, so it's really fun to have my boys out here now, too.

#### **Q. In your professional career have you cracked 30?**

KEEGAN BRADLEY: I think I have. I don't know the answer for sure, but I think I've done it a couple times. It's a really fun thing to do. Just writing it on your scorecard is a pretty cool.

#### **Q. Do you remember doing it as an amateur at all, way back?**

KEEGAN BRADLEY: I don't. I don't at all.

#### **Q. Talk about the shot on 17, big reward but kind of a risky shot.**

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Yeah. I can't believe how hard I hit that putt. As soon as I hit it I couldn't believe it. A lot of times on those putts you're begging for it to hit the flag. It'll just miss or bang off, and it just hit perfectly in the center and dropped down.

It was at least probably a two-shot swing. Instead of walking off that green at 6-under I'm 4-, maybe 3-. It's a huge swing.

#### **Q. You played this course, tournament a number of times. What do you think the 15th and the risks and rewards there? Do you tend to play that the same way?**

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Yeah, I love the 15th because everybody is going to hit -- try to drive the green. It's not some people laying up. It's basically 100%, and it's a risk reward hole and it's an awesome hole.

**Q. I saw a little routine you were doing after making a couple birdies with your caddie. Any backstory behind that?**

KEEGAN BRADLEY: No. I don't know, we bow to the putter. When it's working, that's our God.

**Q. Last week in Los Angeles didn't go the way you would've liked, but how much is playing a U.S. Open and the preparation leading up to that sharpen you on a course that's usually easier than a U.S. Open layout?**

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Yeah, I just played so awful last week and I was able to get out of there and I got here early and flew my coach, Darren Mahan, our here and we got some great work Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. Really helped.

It was better for me to miss the cut honestly and get here and feel better about my swing. It helped a lot.

**Q. How much did mini golf help you?**

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Oh, yeah, my boy played already this morning. Said he wants to go this afternoon. We'll see. Any time I get to hang out with my boys, and this week in particular with my entire family, is really special.

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