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Frontstretch Quotes

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An Interview with:

Denny Hamlin



Q. Denny, what you were able to accomplish today. You had the speeding penalty, no time at all. You were able to hold off Chase Elliott. How did you overcome and get back to Victory Lane today?

DENNY HAMLIN: Being part of Toyota and Joe Gibbs Racing, that helps the situation. Over the last few races here, had a dominant car. Makes me look good when I can drive cars like this.

I got to thank the whole team. They're the ones that made all this happen.

Q. What you've been through personally with your family in this off-season. Coming into Daytona, you said you weren't sure to get back behind the wheel. What did it take to get back here?

DENNY HAMLIN: I mean, I knew it took a few weeks to feel like driving. Over the last couple weeks, I definitely regained my love of it, got refocused. These are great opportunities for us.

I mean, this is a family sport. My family obviously had so much sacrifice to help me get here. Now that I've grown, generations of Hamlins following me. It's great Mom gets to see this. I know Dad's still saying, That's my boy. Hell of a day (smiling).

Q. Big moment in the record books. You become the 10th winningest driver in the sport. What do those records mean to you?

DENNY HAMLIN: My name stands out amongst -- there's the legends of the sport. I feel very fortunate to be on the list. Those guys were far more talented than I have ever thought about being. I just work really hard. I still to this day work really hard at my craft to try to continue to get better.

Days like today certainly make me feel happy about where I'm at in the sport still and what I can still do.

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