



# RODGER SAFFOLD

## GUARD

# 76

**6-5** **325** **13<sup>TH</sup> YEAR**

**JUNE 6, 1988 (AGE 34)**

**BEDFORD, OH**

**BEDFORD HS**

**INDIANA**

**FREE AGENT: 2022**

## SHOUTOUTS

- Started 46 regular season games for the Titans from 2019-21 and started 5 more times for Tennessee in the postseason.
- Earned his first career Pro Bowl berth in 2021, starting 15 regular season games for the Titans at left guard and helping pave the way for the 5th ranked rushing offense.
- In 2020, started 15 games at left guard and helped RB Derrick Henry (2,027 yards) become the eighth player in NFL history to rush for over 2,000 yards in a season.
- Started all 16 regular season games and 3 postseason contests for the NFC Champion Los Angeles Rams in 2018. Part of an offensive line that was coached by current Bills O-line coach Aaron Kromer and was named the Built Ford Tough Offensive Line of the Year.
- Earned 2nd-team All-Pro honors in 2017 after starting 15 games at left guard for the Rams.
- Was named to the PFWA All-Rookie team in 2010.



## FIRST-AND-10

**RODGER SAFFOLD** is in his first season with the Bills after inking a one-year contract in 2022. A 2nd round pick (33rd overall) of the St. Louis Rams in 2010, Saffold played his first nine NFL seasons with the Rams before joining the Titans in 2019. He earned a Pro Bowl berth in 2021, his final season in Tennessee.

## IF YOU HAVEN'T 'HERD'

### DREAM COME TRUE

Saffold has achieved a great deal in his NFL career since being drafted by the St. Louis Rams in 2010.

He has played in more than 150 regular season games. Played in a Super Bowl and a Pro Bowl. It is a dream come true for Bedford, OH, native.

In 10th grade, Saffold made a list of things he needed to his achieve his dream of making it to the NFL.

"I wrote it in bullet form," Saffold told Cleveland Plain Dealer. "I'd write, '1. Academics.' Then put everything down. I went all the way from high school to college to pros. That's what I followed, and I worked really hard for it."

## PERSONAL

The son of Angela Copridge and the late Rodger Saffold II. His father played football at the University of Iowa. Has a daughter, Aaliyah and a son, Price. Has two older sisters, the late Melanie and Ramah and two younger sisters, Jasmine and Jessica. Earned a degree in public affairs management from Indiana.

## GAMES PLAYED/ STARTED

2010 (STL, 16/16), 2011 (STL, 9/9), 2012 (STL, 10/10), 2013 (STL, 12/9), 2014 (STL, 16/16), 2015 (STL, 5/5), 2016 (LAR, 15/15), 2017 (LAR, 15/15), 2018 (LAR, 16/16), 2019 (Ten, 16/16), 2020 (Ten, 15/15), 2021 (Ten, 15/15), 2022 (Buf, 4/4) ... Totals (164/161)  
Playoffs: 2017 (LAR, 1/1), 2018 (LAR, 3/3), 2019 (TEN, 3/3), 2020 (TEN, 1/1), 2021 (TEN, 1/1) ... Totals (9/9)



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### FROM A HOBBY TO CEO

Saffold is the proud CEO of Rise Nation, a professional esports organization competing in Valorant, Gears of War, FIFA and many other games. Saffold, a devoted gamer, founded Rise in 2013 and has had the #1 player in Call of Duty and Madden on staff. He currently employs a team of 50 employees, including players, recruiters, and graphic designers. "I used to play games on Twitch and someone came up with this idea to do this. Doing what I did back then is not as easy as it would be to do now. It has gotten very competitive."

### "IT WAS ALWAYS A THUMBS UP"

Saffold is quick to answer when asked who the most influential person in his life was. It is his late father, Rodger Saffold II, who passed away in 2020. "He was always there, very supportive," Saffold told the Titans web site. "During games in high school he would give (me) a thumbs up and thumbs down after drives to see how well I did. Thankfully, it was always a thumbs up ... He basically taught me about having the values of good character, and a leadership role and all those things and to match that with being in love with the hard work and the grind."

### THE STAMPEDE

#### FAVORITE MUSICAL ARTIST:

Nas

#### FAVORITE ICE CREAM:

Cookies and Cream

#### FAVORITE TV SHOW:

Breaking Bad

#### FAVORITE MOVIE:

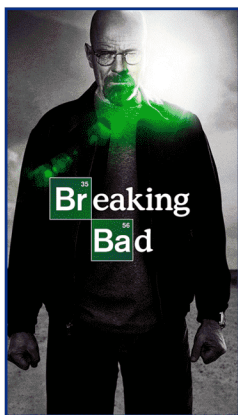
Class Act or House Party

#### TOP ITEM ON BUCKET LIST:

Go to Tomorrowland music festival in Belgium

#### FIRST JOB:

A bouncer in college



#### PRE-GAME RITUAL:

Listen to gospel music and meditate

#### SIGNIFICANCE TO JERSEY NUMBER 76:

My father and my favorite player, Orlando Pace, both wore it.

#### DREAM VACATION SPOT:

Japan

#### FAVORITE ACTOR:

Tom Hanks

#### SKILL HE'D LIKE TO LEARN:

Play the guitar

