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Michigan boxer tries to repeat as National Golden Gloves Champ

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The Michigan Golden Gloves Team entered the 2010 National Golden Gloves semi-finals with four boxers competing just like the team did in 2009. Unfortunately, just like in 2009, the first three boxers lost leaving the team's hopes resting on the broad shoulders of heavyweight Jordan Shimmell. Jordan did not disappoint and he had his best performance of the week long tournament when he needed it most. Jordan was facing Robert Jekabson of Chicago whom he defeated 10-6 at last year's USA Boxing National Championships. Jordan knew that Robert Jekabson was going to be a tough opponent as the bout last year was one of his toughest. Jordan stuck to the game plan and used his jab beautifully along with quick flurries and another strong third round. In the end Jordan's hand was raised in victory and Jordan is once again in the finals of the National Golden Gloves. This is Jordan's third appearance in the finals out of his five trips to the National Golden Gloves. Jordan is going to work hard in his attempt to repeat as National Golden Gloves Champion.

Jordan was disappointed that his teammates, Ernie Garza, Raese Aleem and Javonn Barnes all lost decisions in the semi-finals as he was hoping that the Michigan franchise would win the team trophy. Jordan knows that the team trophy is no longer possible so now he just wants to win the title so that the Michigan Golden Gloves can once again have a National Golden Gloves Champion.

Jordan Shimmell also watched as Robert Ellis, the boxer who defeated his brother Niall in a close decision on Monday, advanced to the finals and thought that it realistically could have been the two of them together in the finals. The tournament is so difficult to win since there are so many skilled boxers competing and it is difficult to win 5 bouts in a row against tough competition. For Jordan Shimmell it is even harder to repeat as all the other heavyweights are bringing their A-games when they step into the ring against Jordan, knowing that he is the defending National Champion.

The NATIONAL GOLDEN GLOVES TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS continues with the Championship bouts tonight at the Statehouse Convention Center in Little Rock, Arkansas. The bouts start at 7:00 p.m.



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