Class A: Friendship Coach John McNeal said two thoughts went through his mind when his team fell behind 3-0 in its second game against Goodpasture yesterday.

"Should I go home this afternoon or tomorrow morning?" McNeal admitted

thinking.

Turns out, he's still in Memphis.

Goodpasture clobbered Friendship 11-0 in five innings before the Commanders rallied to win 5-3 in the second game of the double-elimination game at Bolton.

That earned Friendship (36-6) its first trip to the state championship. The Commanders will play University School of Jackson (36-5)

today at 10 a.m. at USA Stadium.

Left-hander Logan Darnell silenced the Commanders in the first game with a one-hitter, but the Cougars (35-9) pulled him in the fourth inning of the second game.

Friendship's Jon Miller hit a solo home run to tie the game 3-3 in the fourth. Jackson Sledge added a solo homer in the sixth. ■