



Muhammad Ali vs. Karl Mildenberger Program

Date

1966

Primary Maker

Muhammad Ali

Medium

Paper

Description

Program for the Muhammad Ali vs. Karl Mildenberger boxing match, September 10, 1966. The program shows illustrations of Ali and Mildenberger's faces, with "MUHAMMAD ALI" at top and "KARL MILDENBERGER" at bottom in yellow text with a black background. Each illustrated face is set on the boxer's respective country's flag. Next to Ali's face reads in black text, "Jachim Göttert /

Harry Levene / in Zussammenarbit mit / Viewsport Ltd. / London / veranstalten die". At center in white text with blue background reads, "WELTMEISTERSCHAFT / IM / SCHWERGEWICHT". At left, next to Mildenberger in black text reads, "Waldstadion / Frankfurt/Main / Sonabend / 10. Sept. 1966". The program has been encapsulated by CGC with its grading information at top. Ali defended his WBC Heavyweight Championship title against European champion Karl Mildenberger on September 10, 1966, at the Waldstadion in Frankfurt, Germany. Ali won the match in a 12th round TKO decision. Muhammad Ali, born Cassius Clay, (1942-2016) was considered one of the most important sports figures of the 20th century and is arguably the greatest heavyweight boxer of all time. In the ring, Ali often sought the spotlight with high profile matches against top opponents such as George Foreman, Sonny Liston, and Joe Frazier. He is the only three-time lineal heavyweight champion with a 56-5 professional boxing record. Outside the ring, Ali's beliefs as a conscientious objector to the Vietnam War saw him convicted of draft evasion. His anti-war stance earned him respect in the counterculture movement of the 1960s. His prominent status in the African American community also made him a leading figure in the civil rights movement. Ali's legacy transcends sports. His thoughts on social and personal responsibility make him one of the most influential Americans in modern history.