Warriors playing for seventh

DUBUQUE — The Omaha Gladiators will face off against Sioux City at 3 p.m. today in the finals of the Iowa High School Hockey League's state tournament.

The Waterloo Warriors will meet Dubuque to determine seventh place in a game which starts at 8 a.m. today.

The Warriors lost in the opening round, 4-2, to Valley-Dowling of West Des Moines. In Saturday consolation games Waterloo lost to the Omaha Junior Lancers, 5-0, and then defeated St. Joseph, Mo., 6-2.

In the win over St. Joseph, Tim Markey scored four goals for the Warriors. He and his linemates, Brian Varney and Wade Eldridge, drew plaudits from Warrior coach Mike Brown.

"Although we haven't score much this weekend, that line has played well," Brown said. "And even though we are not winning, Ryan Eldridge has also played well (in goal)."

Waterloo's game against Dubuque will be the fifth of the year between the two teams, with the Warriors having won the previous four.

The Gladiators advanced to the finals with a 2-1 win over Valley-Dowling while Sioux City topped Ames, 3-2 in the semifinals.

PRELIMINARY ROUND
Dubuque 5, St. Joeseph, Mo. 2
FIRST ROUND
Omaha Gladiators 1, Omaha Jr. Lancers 0
Valley-Dowling 4, Waterloo 2
Ames 4, Mason City 3
Sioux City 9, Dubuque 2
SEMFINALS
Gladiators 2, Valley-Dowling 1
Sioux City 3, Ames 2
CONSOLATIONS
Jr. Lancers 5, Waterloo 0
Mason City 8, St. Joseph 1
Lancers 5, Dubuque 1
Waterloo 6, St. Josepeh 2