



**Actual Score: Falcons 24, Lions 17**

*Jamal Anderson scored 2 touchdowns as the Falcons recorded a comeback victory to win just their second NFC West title.*

**DECEMBER 20, 1998 (Pontiac Silverdome)**

**FALCONS 31, LIONS 3**

**It was over when...**Tim Dwight caught a 5-yard TD pass to put the game out of reach with 7:00 remaining.

**Game Ball**

Chris Chandler completed 70.3% of his pass attempts for 306 yards and 2 TDs to earn a QB rating of 113.1.

**Key Stat**

The Falcons converted 66.6% of their third down attempts.

**Noteworthy**

Jamal Anderson ran 29 times for 147 yards and 2 TDs...Jamal Anderson eclipsed 2,000 yards rushing...Terrance Mathis had 9 catches for 155 yards and 1 TD...Chris Chandler went over 3,000 yards passing.

**Injuries**

Detroit Lions: G Mike Compton, DE Kerwin Waldroup, DE Robert Porcher. Atlanta Falcons: FB Bob Christian, T Bob Whitfield.

**Scoring Summary**

<b>Detroit (3-12-0)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>- 3</b>
<b>Atlanta (11-4-0)</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>- 31</b>

**First Quarter**

Atl – J. Anderson 6 run (Andersen kick), 8:07

**Second Quarter**

Atl – Mathis 22 pass from Chandler (Andersen kick), 9:00

Atl – J. Anderson 2 run (Andersen kick), 2:48

**Third Quarter**

Det – FG Hanson 50, 11:00

Atl – FG Andersen 25, 6:01

**Fourth Quarter**

Atl – Dwight 5 pass from Chandler (Andersen kick), 7:00

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	<b>DET</b>	<b>ATL</b>
First Downs.....	12	29
Rushing...	5	12
Passing....	6	17
Penalty....	1	0
Total Net Yards.....	212	443
Rushed - Yards .....	31-77	33-152
Passing Yards.....	135	306
Third Down Efficiency...	4-15	10-15
Penalties.....	5-41	4-35
Kick Return Yards.....	110	30
Punt Return Yards.....	0	8
Fumbles/Lost.....	0-0	2-1
Sacked/Yards Lost.....	0-0	2-15
Field Goals Missed....	27, 49	None
Time of Possession.....	26:51	33:09

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**PASSING--**

DET: Reich 12-25-1-135

ATL: Chandler 26-37-0-306

**RUSHING--**

DET: Sanders 25-65, Rivers 1-0, Vardell 1-3, Schlesinger 2-4, Reich 2-5

ATL: J. Anderson 29-147, Chandler 4-5

**RECEIVING--**

DET: Moore 5-81, Morton 4-38, Crowell 1-6, Rasby 2-6, Vardell 1-4

ATL: Martin 4-50, Mathis 9-155, Anderson 5-50, Santiago 2-3, Kozlowski 1-13,  
Dwight 1-5, Downs 2-14, Green 1-10