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To the cheers and chants of "Reg-gie," the "Minister of Defense" now has his name above the NFL's most famous cathedral. The Green Bay Packers on Sunday retired Reggie White's No. 92 - the fifth number in club history. White, who suffered from sleep apnea and sarcoidosis, died last December in Cornelius, N.C., at age 43. Hundreds of fans also wore No. 92, and received a figurine of White. The city of Green Bay dedicated a street known now as "Reggie White Way."

Johnson

(Continued from Page 1) a bad headache.

DiBella said he was told by doctors that Johnson suffered a hematoma, which is bleeding in the brain area. He said he seemed aware and conscious going into surgery, but said later that doctors described his situation as grave.

The 35-year-old fighter from Atlantic City, N.J., who was defending his 135-pound title against Chavez, took a tremendous beating throughout the fight.

The fight was part of a card promoted by Oscar De La Hoya that featured bouts with Marco Antonio Barrera and

The fight was stopped 38 seconds into the 11th round by referee Tony Weeks but not before Johnson took what appeared to be about two dozen unanswered punches to the head while he was up against the ropes.

After the 10th round, ringside physician Margaret Goodman checked on Johnson in his corner but allowed the fight to continue.

Chavez dominated the fight, landing big punches to Johnson's head from the opening bell. Statistics compiled by Compubox showed him landing 409 punches to 148 for Johnson. After the fight at the MGM Grand, Johnson said in the ring that "I'm all right," but later collapsed in his dressing room.

Johnson was defending the title he won June 17 when he stopped Stefano Zoff in Italy. It was the first title for Johnson since he turned pro in 1989 after an amateur career that spanned 126 fights.

The injury follows the July 2 death of Mexican boxer Martin Sanchez, who died a day after he was knocked out by Rustam Nugaev of Russia in a super lightweight fight in Las Vegas. That death was the fifth in the ring since 1994 in the

Before Sanchez died, two other fighters suffered brain injuries but survived after fights this year in Las Vegas. The World Boxing Council later said it would launch an investigation into the death, saying there were lingering questions about the care given to Sanchez immediately after the fight.

Mosley knocks Cruz off unbeaten status

LAS VEGAS (AP) - "Sugar" Shane Mosley continued his welterweight comeback bid, the veteran taking a unanimous 10-round decision over previously undefeated Jose Luis

Mosley rose to 41-4 and Cruz slid to 32-1 with two drawn after judges gave Mosley the victory by scores of 98-92, 97-93 and 96-94. "I felt all right," Mosley said. "I thought I should have knocked the guy out but he's a tough guy. He showed a lot of heart."

Mosley, 34, won a unanimous decision over David Estrada in April in his return to the welterweight division he dominated from 2000 to 2002. He lost two light middleweight title fights to foe Winky Wright last year.

Mosley said he feels ready to face the best welterweights available, including undisputed world champion Zab Judah.

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"Sugar" Shane Mosley, right, connects to the forehead of Jose Luis Cruz during Saturday's welterweight showdown.

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