

# HAPPY 2ND ANNIVERSARY TO SUPERHERO MANNY PACQUIAO!

**HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA (July 20, 2021)** -- As we look forward to the showdown between eight-division world champion and boxer laureate **Senator Manny "Pacman" Pacquiao** and unified WBC/IBF welterweight champion **Errol Spence Jr.**, which is 32 days away, it seems only fitting to look back at Manny's thrilling victory over then undefeated WBA welterweight "super" champion **Keith Thurman**, which took place two years ago **today** in Las Vegas. Manny opened the fight with a first-round knockdown of Thurman en route to a 12-round split decision victory. As Thurman accurately stated in his post-fight interview, "It was a night of blessings and lessons." Manny's victory over Thurman was a career highlight for boxing's longest and most successful partnership. For 20 years, Manny has had his trainer, world-famous **Freddie Roach**, in his corner, literally and figuratively, winning world titles in seven different weight divisions in a career of firsts that not only defines the champion he repeatedly became, but the Filipino spirit which has been embraced by the world. During those the past 20 years, Manny has played David to a roster of Hall of Fame Goliaths, scoring the most impressive victories of his era against the likes of **Erik Morales, Marco Antonio Barrera, Juan Manuel Márquez, Oscar De La Hoya, Ricky Hatton, Miguel Cotto, and Shane Mosley**. In his last three fights, which took place during a 12-month period, from July 15, 2018 through July 20, 2019, Manny ran the table, winning welterweight world title fights against **Lucas Matthyse, Adrien Broner, and Thurman**.

Below, please find selected clips from ringside, and a link to the FOX Sports PBC Pay-Per-View telecast.

- [Manny Pacquiao vs. Keith Thurman Full Fight | HIGHLIGHTS | PBC ON FOX - YouTube](#)
- [Manny Pacquiao: Thurman win the perfect ending, if he wants it - Sports Illustrated](#)
- [Manny Pacquiao remains the most riveting fighter of his generation \(espn.com\)](#)
- [Manny Pacquiao beats Keith Thurman by split decision \(apnews.com\)](#)
- [Ellerbe squashes talk of Pacquiao-Mayweather rematch \(yahoo.com\)](#)
- [Dwyre: Manny Pacquiao's victory would be the ultimate farewell to a storied career - Los Angeles Times \(latimes.com\)](#)
- [Whicker: Manny Pacquiao's win over Thurman will reverberate for a while – Orange County Register \(ocregister.com\)](#)
- [Manny Pacquiao defies Father Time with another signature victory | Las Vegas Review-Journal \(reviewjournal.com\)](#)
- [Pacquiao mulls future after title stunner \(yahoo.com\)](#)
- [Manny Pacquiao beats Keith Thurman by split decision for welterweight title - Los Angeles Times \(latimes.com\)](#)
- [In a blistering bout, Thurman couldn't keep up with the ageless Pacquiao \(and other observations from Las Vegas\) – The Athletic](#)

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Manny (62-7-2, 39 KOs), the one-time Boxing Writers Association of America Fighter of the Decade and three-time BWAA Fighter of the Year, hails from Sarangani Province in the Philippines. He faces his biggest professional boxing challenge when he takes on Spence (27-0, 21 KOs), of Desoto, Texas. Spence is 11 years younger and over four inches taller than the amazin' Manny. Would Manny have it any other way? The Pacquiao-Spence world championship event, which headlines a **FOX Sports PBC Pay-Per-View, Saturday, August 21** from T-Mobile Arena in Las Vegas, Nevada, is promoted by TGB Promotions, MP Promotions and Man Down Promotions. The pay-per-view will begin at **9 p.m. RT / 6 p.m. PT**. Remaining tickets can be purchased through [t-mobilearena.com](http://t-mobilearena.com) and [axs.com](http://axs.com).

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