



Steve Donatell joined the Miami Dolphins as a defensive assistant in 2023.

Donatell began his NFL coaching career with the Minnesota Vikings in 2022 as a defensive quality control assistant.

Prior to Minnesota, Donatell spent three seasons (2019-21) at Stanford as a defensive assistant.

Donatell began his coaching career in 2018 at the UT Chattanooga where he coached outside linebackers. The Mocs finished second in the Southern Conference and 14th in the FCS in scoring defense (21.0).

Donatell began his collegiate career at Wake Forest where he played linebacker and tight end. In his senior year in 2015, he earned ACC Academic All-Conference honors. He graduated with a degree in communications. In 2016, he was a graduate transfer tight end at Western Kentucky.

A native of Lone Tree, Colorado, Donatell was a four-sport letterman – football, basketball, track and baseball – at Highlands Ranch High School. Donatell played quarterback, throwing for 1,686 yards and 23 touchdowns in his senior year. He was also the punter and earned first-team All-Colorado honors.

His father, Ed Donatell, is a longtime defensive coordinator who began coaching in the NFL in 1990. His brother, Tom, is the defensive passing game coordinator and secondary coach for the Los Angeles Chargers.

STEVE DONATELL'S COACHING CAREER

2018	Chattanooga	Outside Linebackers
2019-21	Stanford	Defensive Assistant
2022	Minnesota Vikings	Defensive Quality Control
2023-present	Miami Dolphins	Defensive Assistant