



## Robert M. Bigley

July 16, 1946 - February 16, 2018

Robert M. Bigley, 71 of Olathe, KS, died Friday, February 16, 2018 in Gulf Coast Medical Center in Fort Myers, FL. He was born July 16, 1946 in Seattle, WA a son of the late Bernard A. Bigley and Ione Ingerson Bigley.

Bob worked as a VP of Operations in the investment field and was a U.S. Army Veteran.

Surviving are his wife Christine Fenner Bigley; son - Christopher A. Bigley of Omaha, NE; daughter - Carissa A. (Thomas) Davis of Omaha, NE; sisters - Carol (Joe) Adams of Lenexa, KS and Nancy (David) Whiteaker of Omaha, NE.

No services are scheduled at this time.

Online condolences may be left by visiting [www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com](http://www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert M. Bigley*

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October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Chris and family;*

*I was so sorry to hear from Marty King (accidently at the airport!!!) about Bob. Living across the street, golfing together, visiting you both at your winter places, it's hard to believe we are now both down a spouse. That was quite a decade I/we had on 108th street. Hang in there. Eat dinner with someone as often as you can.*

*You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Jim and Pam Nolan*

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**Jim Nolan** - February 28, 2018 at 03:29 PM

EB

“ I first met Bigs through work in 1975. We consulted together on a building project as a partnership between Boys Town and Creighton St Joseph Hospital. I took a new job and returned to Kansas City in 1977. Thirty years later, I walked into the Shadow Glen pro shop, and there was Bigs. I introduced myself, and Bob stood there in shock at the rare coincidence. We renewed our friendship and have remained good friends ever since. He and Chris have always been gracious and giving friends. They hosted us for visits to their winter home in Ft Myers, and always made sure we had a good time. Bob and I shared many hours on the practice range at Shadow, where we also shared all kinds of conversations unrelated to golf. I don't know of anyone who spent more time in the practice facility than Bigs. And he made me laugh every time he swore he was going to quit. He loved the game too much for that. Bigs, you are a beloved character to many. I doubt that you will ever be forgotten. Rest In Peace, my friend.

*Ed (The Blade) Burrow*

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**Ed Burrow** - February 28, 2018 at 12:07 PM

RN

“ I just learned that my old dear friend Bob Bigley has passed away. We had lost track of each other for too many years. Bob was a true friend and confidant for me when we worked together at American Century Investments (then Twentieth Century Companies) in Kansas City. He was instrumental in building the culture of the company as it grew from about a hundred to two thousand employees. My thoughts and prayers are with his beautiful sweet wife Chris.

*Ron Neville (rneville723@mchsi.com)*

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**Ron Neville** - February 26, 2018 at 09:36 AM



“ I was privileged to work for Bob Bigley for over 10 years and I considered him a good friend and an exceptional person. He was easy to be around and I always looked forward to going to work because he was such a nice man. Not everyone is blessed with such a manager. He was compassionate, ethical, and talented and will truly be missed.

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**Peggy Ader** - February 24, 2018 at 09:26 AM

MH

“ Mr. Bigley was a good man with a great sense of humor. He was my boss's, boss's boss years ago. It was an honor to work with him and to know him. May he rest in peace.

*M. Holmes, Lee's Summit, MO*

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**M. Holmes** - February 24, 2018 at 08:37 AM

RK

“ *Ray Kalinski sent a virtual gift in memory of Robert M. Bigley*



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**Ray Kalinski** - February 21, 2018 at 11:12 PM

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“ *Ray Kalinski lit a candle in memory of Robert M. Bigley*



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**Ray Kalinski** - February 21, 2018 at 11:09 PM

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“ Bob and I go back to elementary school. We grew up together and shared many experiences and adventures as teenagers and young adults.

*I was very shocked to learn of Bob's passing which apparently happened while he was at his winter home in Florida. Christine and Bob visited us some years ago and we shared many memories about going through Army boot camp together (Bob was a struck troop) at Fort Ord, CA, our love of bowling as teens, and being fraternity brothers at UNO.*

*We were very good friends and laughed a lot. I remember picking him up for Army Reserve meetings in the early 70's (we were honorably discharged in 1974) and seeing his son Chris and daughter Carissa when they were wee tykes!*

*Most won't remember or don't know that Bob was also a professional bowler and appeared on local TV bowling shows in the 60's. They were hosted by local TV star Joe Patrick from Omaha Sky Lanes on 42nd & Center. Bob won several weeks on a row and became quite the teenage bowling idol in the area.*

*He was also an accomplished accountant and financial advisor.*

*He worked at Boys Town back in the day but apparently knew his stuff as far as investments go. He never would tell me his secrets though! :)*

*I know he loved his second home in Florida and spent winters there. I exchanged emails with him after the recent hurricane damaged it. I hope his last moments were not painful and close to his beloved Florida home.*

*He was an upright guy, had a ready smile, positive disposition, and gift for numbers.*

*I shall miss him and will keep his children and family in prayer.*

*God bless,*

*Ray Kalinski  
Snoqualmie, WA*

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**Ray Kalinski** - February 21, 2018 at 10:54 PM