

Interview On Bobbi Basanze By Mike <sup>Madison</sup>

Bobbi - My name is Bobbi Basanze and I was born in Hamtramck Michigan in 1960.

Mike - What are your parents names

Bobbi - My parents are still living and their names are John and Lill.

Mike - How many brothers and sisters do you have and what are their names

Bobbi - I have eight brothers and sisters and their names are Yvonne,

Kathy, Kris, Mary, another sister Mary - but we call her by her middle name Donna, John, ~~Mary~~ and my name is Bobbi.

Mike - What did your parents do for a living.

Bobbi - My parents are both retired and my mom worked as a Detroit school counselor and my dad worked supervisor for the parks and recreation for the city of Detroit.

Mike - Where did you go to school

Bobbi - I went to a school for grade school ~~at~~ <sup>transition</sup> for first grade to eighth grade and then I went from there to a Catholic school from ninth grade to twelfth grade and then I went to Northern <sup>Michigan</sup> University for my Bachelors degree in Health Education then I got my Masters in Physiology when I was working with you.

Mike - What special memories do you have about growing up in this area.

Bobbi - Well I ~~wasn't~~ born in the Upper Peninsula but I lived here thirteen years and a special memory about Marquette college was when I was in dorms and we were snowed in at our at Northern. The snow was up to the doors and we couldn't get out so that was great.

Mike - What kinds of things did you do with your friends when you were a teenager growing up.

Bobbi - We all played a lot of basketball mostly. Sometimes we would play tennis or softball if the basketball courts weren't open in the summer time.

Mike - Where did you hang out when you were a teenager.

Bobbi - Well I hung out at a gym like you would enjoy athletics like myself. Friends I hung out with they liked the same thing.

Mike - How old were you when you got your first job and where did you work.

Bobbi - I was about sixteen years old and I worked in a grocery store. I only worked there for a few weeks because my boss hurt his back so the new owner sort of fired me.

4  
Mike - What types of duties did you do on your first job.

Bobbi - Well I worked as a cashier for two weeks.

Mike - What stands out mostly in your mind about your first job.

Bobbi - Well my boss hurt his back and so I started meat cutting for my second job and then went further into college.

Mike - How many total years did you work in your lifetime.

Bobbi - I worked about twelve years.

Mike - How and why did you choose this career you are in now.

Bobbi - I was all ways interested in working with people who have physical problems and not only athletes & like to work with other people.

Mike - As many details describe  
the main duties of your job.

Bobbi - I work along with the  
Physical Therapists. I'm an Exercise  
Physiologist and what we do is  
analyze walking skills and we determine  
what area of weakness you have.  
We figure out what types of  
activities of daily living you're  
going to have. We focus on your  
activities in therapy.

Mike - Does this job require  
any special training.

Bobbi - Yes it does. You have to  
have a bachelors degree first  
and mine was in Health Ed and  
I had to go two more years  
for a masters in Exercise  
Physiology.

6  
Mike - What special equipment and clothing do your job require.

Bobbi - We have to dress according to code as we are professionals. We also have to be comfortable with these clothes.

Mike - Does this job have any rules or regulations.

Bobbi - Definitely, we have to be here on a certain time. We have to know what our certain patient load is and make sure you have quality of care.

Mike - What is the most rewarding part of your career.

Bobbi - The most rewarding part of my career is watching you get better and seeing patients go through a hard time to get better and people with good attitudes. Those kinds of things make me want to come back tomorrow.

7  
Mike - What is the most challenging part of your job.

Bobbi - Probably the most challenging part is helping people go through the most worst part of their life.

Mike - How did the duties of your job change over the years.

Bobbi - Actually, the increased responsibility. You are more involved and you learn more and involved in more programs. I'm not only working on the rehab but I'm now working on a wellness program.

Mike - Did any of your family work for the same career as you do.

Bobbi - Actually no, my family like more education like teaching counseling those kinds of areas.

Mike - Did your job put you in any dangerous situations

Bobbi - No, not yet anyway.

Mike - Can you describe what your co-workers are like.

Bobbi - My co-workers are great. I think we have kind of a special crew here. We use humor all the time because you know that there is a lot of stress involved and ~~problems~~ problems.

Mila - Can you describe any humorous events that happened to you.

Bobbi - We pull all the time of jokes on each other and we laugh every day in rehab that is funny.

Mike - What are your biggest responsibilities on this job.

Bobbi - Our biggest responsibility is patient care. Making sure that we're doing it in a safe matter.



Mike -

Do you receive any special rewards from your employer

Bobbi - yes, each year you get a Merit Evaluation based on your performance you get a raise.

Mike - Are you involved in any club organizations or leagues.

Bobbi - Well, I belong to many types of sports like basketball.

I was on a softball team and the most memorable part of that was when I slid into second base and tore my pants.

Mike - In closing, do you have anything else to say

Bobbi - Yes I do. I think you made all these questions clear to me in this interview and I was very happy to participate in this interview and I think that you did a great job.