

Welcome to Ai Now. I'm your guest host, Michael Clayton.

I am truly excited to be here with you today to talk about the life and legacy of the NBA great Mr. Kobe Bryant.

For those who are not familiar with me,

I am a former NFL wide receiver that played for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and the New York Giants.

As a professional athlete I understand the responsibilities, expectations and the drive which make a professional athlete successful.

Kobe epitomized what we as fans expect in a professional athlete.

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Kobe Bryant was just a teenager when he walked onto the NBA stage.

Drafted directly out of high school,

he showed drive with the ability to produce excitement, while being charismatic.

Instantly fans knew they were in for something special.

In the following years he reached new levels of mental and physical dominance on and off the court, elevating his game when it counted the most.

(Pause 2 Seconds)

In his early career he teamed up with Shaquille O'Neal to form a power house championship team, earning the LA Lakers three back to back NBA titles.

Kobe has never been a finished product, he always believed there was room to grow and that true greatness was inspiring those around you.

He embraced his role as a leader, and as a result, was a triumphant return of the championship Los Angeles Lakers, winning two more consecutive NBA Titles.

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Kobe's ability to inspire was not limited to his body of work in the NBA. He was the motivating force of the two thousand and eight Olympic team

that reestablished the USA basketball team's position
at the top of the podium. And returned to win gold again in
two thousand twelve.

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Unfortunately, On January 26, 2020
Kobe Bryant, his daughter Gianna, along with seven other individuals
were involved in a tragic helicopter crash that cut their lives short.

Please take a moment with me to remember Kobe.

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Kobe Bryant transcended the game of basketball.
He embodied excellence, perseverance,
and was an inspiration for millions of fans around the world.
His work ethic will forever be the blue print of striving to be the best.

That is all we have time for today.

Thank you for watching until next time.

I am your host Michael Clayton, and this is Ai Now.

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