Dr. Louis U. Bigliani was the Frank E. Stinchfield Professor and Chairman of Orthopedic Surgery at Columbia University and the Director of the Orthopedic Surgery Service, New York-Presbyterian Hospital Columbia campus, and Chief of the Shoulder and Elbow Service. He is a nationally and internationally recognized expert in shoulder surgery.

Dr. Bigliani was President of the American Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons in 1998 and was founding Secretary, then Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Journal of Shoulder and Elbow Surgery, 2002-2005. In 2008 he became the 121st President of the American Orthopedic Association. From 2010 to 2016, he was Chairman of the International Board of Shoulder and Elbow Surgery.

In 1972 Dr. Louis Bigliani graduated from Loyola University Stritch School of Medicine and received the Outstanding Student Award, in 2002 the Stritch AOA Alumnus of the Year, and in 2022 the Stritch Alumnus of the Year Award for Excellence in Education.

Dr. Bigliani completed a residency in Orthopedic Surgery at The New York Orthopedic Hospital Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center followed by a Fellowship in Shoulder Surgery with Charles Neer II and a Hip and Knee Arthroplasty Fellowship with Frank Stinchfield.

During his Chairmanship, 1998 to 2014, Dr. Bigliani served as President of the Medical Board of New York Presbyterian Hospital in 2008. From 2011 to 2014 he served as President and Chairman of the Board of Columbia Doctors, the Faculty Practice Plan of Columbia University Medical Center. He received the Physician of the Year Award from New York Presbyterian Hospital in 2011.

As Chief of the Shoulder and Elbow Service from 1990 to 2013, Dr. Bigliani trained over 50 fellows and 30 international fellows. Through peer-reviewed publications, he contributed to advances in the treatment of shoulder instability, subacromial impingement, rotator cuff tear, nerve injuries, and reconstructive arthroplasty.

Dr. Bigliani’s family includes his wife, Dr. Anne Krementz, two daughters and sons-in-law, Anne-Louise and Tom Nieto, Suzi and J Hlavacek, and three grandsons, TJ, Andrew, and Ward.

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