

2019 Salesperson of the Year Award

Bobby Acciardo

Bobby Acciardo was born April 9, 1976 to parents Tom and Patricia Acciardo. Bobby and his siblings Thomas and Ashley grew up in Barrington, R.I. and some of his greatest childhood memories came from family time on the water enjoying water sports and at the golf course. Bobby's mom and dad introduced him to the great game of golf at the age of 8. After a few trips to the driving range, they encouraged him to visit Rhode Island Country Club and join the caddy program, it just so happened to be the same course his dad grew up caddying at. For Bobby, this is when his love for the game all started. His dad was an extremely decorated Amateur golfer, and under his direction, Bobby quickly began to see improvement and develop a passion for the game. One of his proudest accomplishments on the golf course has been winning the Rhode Island State Father Son Championship with his dad four different times.

Bobby's first job at an extremely young age was caddying at Rhode Island CC. After years of growing up at the Club, he worked all aspects of the operation for many years, including bag room, range, carts, and eventually becoming the Caddy Master. Bobby attended Methodist University where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree, and minors in Finance & Economics, and a concentration in Professional Golf Management (PGM). He was then fortunate enough to become the first PJ Boatwright intern for the USGA and was appointed a position at the Rhode Island Golf Association for the summer of 1997. On September 18, 1998, Bobby landed his dream job and started working for Titleist in Fairhaven, MA.

While this is Bobby's first award with the Middle Atlantic Section, he was recognized by the Philadelphia PGA Section as Salesperson of the Year in 2006 and 2009 and Titleist Sales Representative of the Year - New Breed in 2008 and Titleist Gold Circle National award winner in '07, '08, '13, '15, and '17.

Bobby's personal philosophy is to treat others the way you want to be treated, to be honest and to believe in what you are doing. He was attracted to the Titleist brand at the age of 13 and it was his dream to work for the company he was so passionate about. The Titleist brand puts their people first, it's a family, and they all wake up every day to deliver the best products in the game.

Bobby wanted to thank the Section for their recognition as Salesperson of the Year. "This is one of the greatest Sections in the Country" he says "I'm very fortunate for all of the support that I receive. This award is very special to me and my family."

Bobby and his wife Kristen have been married for 8 years and have two sons Hunter (5 years old) and Dylan (3 ½ years old). He spends his free time volunteering as a T-ball and soccer coach.