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The MVP award was very satisfying in terms of personal accomplishments, but the championship was the most important thing of all.

~Bob Cousy

Sports create a bond between comtemporaries that lasts a lifetime. It also gives your life structure, discipline and a genuine, sincere, pure fulfillment that few other areas of endeavor provide.

~Bob Cousy

I was the original socially depraved shy ghetto kid.

~Bob Cousy

People have been killing because of racial differences since the time of Adam and Eve, but in this country racism has been primarily aimed at African Americans.

~Bob Cousy

Do your best when no one is looking. If you do that, then you can be successful at anything you put your mind to

~Bob Cousy

These days I smile benignly at the fights that I see in NBA games. There aren't any broken noses or black eyes, which happened quite often when I played.

~Bob Cousy

We hung out on the streets, played stickball, and did all of the things that other kids did.

~Bob Cousy

Do your best when no one is looking.

~Bob Cousy

It also didn't take me long to decide that Tri-Cities wasn't for me, and that I wasn't going to go there to play basketball.

~Bob Cousy

But as a coach I wanted to keep things from being too complicated.

~Bob Cousy

Race wasn't an issue. My family was French, but Yorkville was a melting pot of races and cultures.

~Bob Cousy

I won the city scoring championship as a senior.

~Bob Cousy

We lived in Yorkville until 1940, at which point we moved into the St. Albans neighborhood of Queens.

~Bob Cousy

Bob Brannum was my body guard on the court. He was 6'-6 and built like a bulldog.

~Bob Cousy

The NBA wasn't a big deal at that time, so it wasn't really in my career plans.

~Bob Cousy

I grew up in the heart of the Depression.

~Bob Cousy

We had a strong relationship with Walter Brown, and felt that he was the best owner in the league.

~Bob Cousy

That seemed to be the case with most of the teams based in the

smaller towns - the fans were more rabid, and they wanted to literally kill the opposition.

~Bob Cousy

Russell joined the team in December, 1956, following the Olympics.

~Bob Cousy

Cooper was my road roommate, and also happened to be the first African American player drafted by a National Basketball Association team.

~Bob Cousy

My biggest win was getting the meal money bumped from \$5 to \$7. ~Bob Cousy

But in fairness also to the idea of continuing success, you also have to exploit opportunities.

~Bob Cousy

My family was poor, my father drove a cab for a living, but we felt normal because everybody else was in the same boat.

~Bob Cousy

We played every night. Sometimes we'd stay overnight after a game, but we'd usually drive on to our next destination.

~Bob Cousy

There were riots in just about every game we played with Syracuse.

~Bob Cousy

Kerner decided to trade my rights to the Chicago Stags, which sounded better to me than Tri-Cities, but the Stags folded up almost immediately.

~Bob Cousy

Indiana gets credit for having the most rabid basketball fans in the union, but Maine is a very, very active basketball state.

~Bob Cousy

I had endured six years of frustration so I think winning it all meant more to me than most of the others on the team.

~Bob Cousy

Back then every small town had a gym, and if itseated more than 2,000 then we'd be interested in playing in it.

~Bob Cousy

French was my first language.

~Bob Cousy

We ran an up-tempo, transition-style of game at Boston College - very similar to what we ran when I played for Arnold.

~Bob Cousy

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