

Rob Spurr Celebrates 40 Years at Truck City

Diesel technician Rob Spurr celebrates 40 years working at Truck City of Gary

Gary, Indiana ([PRWEB](#)) August 18, 2016 -- Rob Spurr has worked for all three generations of the Davis family, 40 dependable years for the 70-year-old Freightliner and Western Star dealership in Gary, Indiana. On August 9th, Rob reported for work on time and ready to go just like any other day. "Rob and I knew this was coming, and we talked about what an achievement 40 years at the same place meant," said Lisa Spurr, Rob's wife. "You don't hear of anyone staying 40 years at the same place anymore." Lisa joined in on the surprise celebration for her husband Rob, along with representatives from the Local 142 Teamsters Union.

The service department team huddle quickly turned to an outpouring of appreciation and recognition for Rob. Owner Gerri Davis-Parker presented Rob with a Truck City 40-year achievement plaque and a gift certificate for dinner in Valparaiso, where Rob and Lisa live. "Rob has worked for all three generations of the Davis family," said Davis-Parker, "Beginning with my grandfather, Paul Davis and then my father, Art Davis." Rob, completely humbled by the surprise, accepted the plaque and gifts from Davis-Parker and was clearly overwhelmed by the appreciation. Additionally, Rob received a 40-year achievement award and commemorative pins from the Local 142 Teamsters Union.

"We have many seasoned and talented technicians here at Truck City," said Mark Strehler, Truck City's Service Manager. "Rob's longevity, that's hard to come by today. I have worked here for 13 years, and I have always considered Rob one of my mentors. I look up to him. He is a great asset and is loyal to Truck City."

When asked about his longevity with Truck City, Spurr replied, "Why have I stayed so long? Because of Art." Referring to second generation owner Art Davis. "Art has always been good to me, and that has meant a lot. He interviewed and hired me in 1976," Spurr said smiling. "I still recall my card was number 263 which meant I was the 263rd mechanic hired in at, what was then, Gary White Sales & Service. I also recall Paul Davis, founder of Truck City, coming into work and every morning he would say 'Good Morning boys', and when Paul left, he would say 'Good Night boys,' wearing a trench coat and hat no matter what the temperature was outside. I have many fond memories," said Spurr.

Davis-Parker is grateful for all the hard-working employees. "Without them, the trucks and parts don't move. They are the key to keeping everything flowing," said Davis-Parker. "We are proud of Rob and grateful he has spent 40 years of his career with us. It was an honor to hand him the 40-year plaque."



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