



## In Memory Of Arthur “Earl” Washburn

Arthur “Earl” Washburn was a professional MTS driver out of the Kansas City terminal for 8 years before his passing. Although he had various employers through the years, he always said that he enjoyed MTS the most. Mainly for the friendships that he developed in the 8 years of his employment. It is easy to say that he will be dearly missed. Earl was known to always give great advice to everyone he interacted with. His friends here at MTS will continue his legacy of being a professional driver.



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Before his 8 years of service at MTS, he proudly served his country in the Vietnam war as a Marine. Within his time of service, he received more than 10 medals and was distinguished as being an expert with the pistol and rifle. He achieved the rank of Sergeant, went through land navigation and landmine warfare training. He is survived by his wife Tammy and 6 children with 14 grandchildren.







## Ohio State Highway Patrol

By Kevin Burch (Vice President, Governmental Affairs & Sales at MTS)

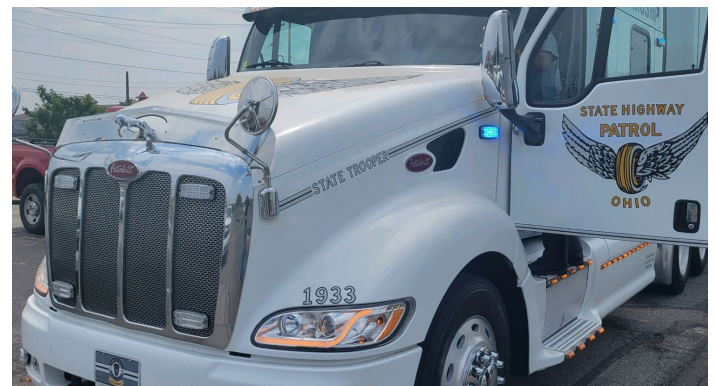
A day well spent at the Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy with members of the Ohio Trucking Association. Officers walked us through what it takes to become a highway patrol officer, and like the trucking industry, they have a shortage of workers, needing an additional 300 officers.



Officers Evans and Jenkins discussed detailed level 1 and level 2 truck inspections and Lt. Belcher discussed OSHP's efforts with Truckers Against Trafficking. We were able to see first-hand the tractor trailer that had been used to smuggle cocaine, that was subsequently seized by the Patrol under Ohio's Drug Offender Law.



Lt. Anderson explained how the unit is now being used in an OSHP public relations campaign. People were able to tour the academy and learned about a day in the life of a cadet, including where they eat, train and sleep. Hats off to the Ohio State Highway Patrol for all they do for the trucking industry.





## MTS Spotlight: Gerrod Golden

By Kevin Burch (Vice President, Governmental Affairs & Sales at MTS)

Gerrod is a dedicated driver for MTS as well as for motorcycles. He spends a lot of time making sure that his Harley looks good, including adding some options that makes it a pretty impressive bike. Maintenance is important and just like it is with his MTS tractor, he makes sure he does a “pre-trip” with his 2010 Harley Davidson Road Glide before he takes to the road.

Gerrod is a self-taught cyclist with about 15 years experience. He truly enjoys the freedom while on the road. Gerrod’s most recent trip road trip was to Sandusky, Ohio during Ohio Bike Week. He had a great time riding his bike along with keeping his expenses low. It costs less than \$50 in fuel for the complete round trip!

Gerrod was born in Cleveland, Ohio and is married with children. On May 13th Gerrod and his wife became grandparents. He always believes in safety first and supports all motorcyclists to use a helmet while on the road.



## MTS Spotlight: Daniel Bowyer

By Kevin Burch (Vice President, Governmental Affairs & Sales at MTS)

Daniel Bowyer has been an owner-operator and currently a Company Driver from the Dayton, Ohio terminal on and off for over 15+ years. He currently handles the Dayton to Indy lane 2x a day and enjoys not only his schedule, but working with all the Dayton personnel.

His current bike is a 2019 Harley Ultra Limited. Danny, is no stranger to riding bikes. This is Danny’s 5th Harley and it all started at the young age of 8 learning how to ride dirt bikes! He truly enjoys riding “the open road” with his longest trip being from Dayton to Tampa. Taking care of his Ultra Glide and making sure that he shares the road with cars and trucks is priority ONE with Danny.

Daniel enjoys all forms of Motorsports and he is also a Cincinnati Bengals fan. When asked about what he enjoys the most at his job, his answer was simple, “The People”.





## Bay Logistics Coopersville Building Grand Opening Event!

Customers, family and friends came out to celebrate the grand opening of the new Bay Logistics Coopersville, MI temperature-controlled distribution center. Everyone who attended were able to take warehouse tours, meet the Bay team, and eat some delicious food. It was a great event and the Bay team is thankful for the love and support of the community as they open their doors to their new location.

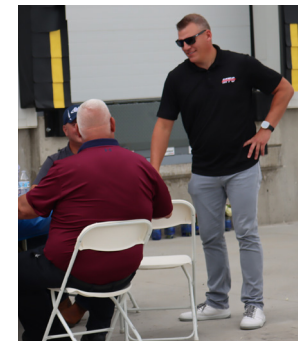
The building is located at 275 68th Avenue North, Coopersville, MI 49404.

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## Congratulations To Kevin Allen On Retiring!

Please help us congratulate Kevin Allen for retiring after 40 years at MTS! He worked in breakdown at the Byron Center location. He loves all things Notre Dame, Irish, and golf. We wish you the best, Kevin!



## MTS Server Upgrades & Backup Installation

To keep MTS up and running, the IT department has been working hard the past few months upgrading Martin Transportation Systems server infrastructure. This will allow higher server performance, consolidation, management efficiency, and improved reliability. Not only are they upgrading the servers at the MTS headquarters in Byron Center, but they are also installing backup servers at the MTS Dayton terminal. These backup servers can help mitigate critical data loss and reduce the impact on the company during downtime.



## May Corporate Driver Of The Month (Travis Velzen)



**Martin Transportation Systems wishes to congratulate Travis Velzen from our Byron Center, MI terminal for becoming Corporate Driver of the Month for May 2023.**

“Travis has been a very reliable driver for MTS throughout the years and always has a great attitude,” said Regional Vice President TJ Bottom. “During down times in the auto freight industry, he has easily adapted to hauling general freight. He prides himself on delivering freight safely and on time,” TJ said.

**Thank you Travis for your hard work and dedication!**

## June Corporate Driver Of The Month (Emmanuel Kemp)



**Martin Transportation Systems wishes to congratulate Emmanuel Kemp from our Flint, MI terminal for becoming Corporate Driver of the Month for June 2023.**

“Emmanuel Kemp is a great driver for the Flint Terminal,” said Regional Operations Manager Mike Eddy. “He does whatever is asked of him and does it with no complaints. He has been with MTS for about 4 years and has a very clean driving record with MTS. Everyone at the Flint Terminal enjoys dealing with Emmanuel as he has a great attitude and always has a smile,” Mike said.

**Thank you Emmanuel for your hard work and dedication!**



## May Terminal Drivers Of The Month!

Help us congratulate the finalists who are named Terminal Drivers of the Month for May 2023.

### CONGRATULATIONS!

- Gary Taylor - Bertrand, MO
- Mickey Payne - Bowling Green, KY
- Karandeep Dadiala - Windsor, ON
- Malissa Stutler - Cleveland, OH
- Russell Oost - Dayton, OH
- Dwayne Avery - Detroit, MI
- Spencer Castle - Flint, MI
- Jose Gomez - Grand Prairie, TX
- Travis Velzen - Grand Rapids, MI
- Diana Shaw - Indianapolis, IN
- Emanuel Paul - Kansas City, KS
- Howard Triplett - Lansing, MI
- Brandon Roots - Lima, OH
- Demond Jeffries - Little Rock, AR
- Kearney Adkins - Louisville, KY
- Jeffrey Altman Jr. - Marion, IN
- Roy Flaaen - Marshall, MI
- John Gutierrez - Phoenix, AZ
- Matthew Gauthier - Port Huron, MI
- Gib Clostermery - Riverton, IL
- Donna Ray - Spring Hill, TN
- Darryl Hayes - St. Louis, MO
- Gerald Matuszynski - Toledo, OH
- Lawrence Jr. Dearing - White Pine, TN

These drivers will receive a Driver of the Month certificate. They will still be eligible in the coming months to win Corporate Driver of the Month, as long as they continue to meet the criteria.

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- Leonard Venney - Windsor, ON
- Malissa Stutler - Cleveland, OH
- Jeffery Fugate - Dayton, OH
- Brandon Hurt - Detroit, MI
- Emmanuel Kemp - Flint, MI
- Samuel Berkenbile - Grand Prairie, TX
- Jeremy Cesar - Grand Rapids, MI
- Leslie Snyder - Indianapolis, IN
- Marilyn Smith - Kansas City, KS
- Jocelyn Walker - Lansing, MI
- Joseph Mangas - Lima, OH
- Rigoberto Gonzalez - Little Rock, AR
- Charles Jeffries - Louisville, KY
- Jamir Young - Marion, IN
- James Eley - Marshall, MI
- Bryon Hemming - Phoenix, AZ
- Matthew Gauthier - Port Huron, MI
- Jimmy Jr. Walker - Riverton, IL
- Patrick Fleigle - Riverton, IL
- Donna Ray - Spring Hill, TN
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# TOUCH-A-TRUCK

## Touch-A-Truck Event!

Kevin Burch (Vice President, Governmental Affairs & Sales at MTS) participated in a “Touch-A-Truck” event, hosted by Harrison Township, and held at Sinclair Park in Dayton, Ohio. The park was full of trucks, including everything from a fire truck, first responder unit, waste removal, S.W.A.T. unit, the local media weather truck and good ole conventional trucks. Kids were able to climb up into the vehicles, get behind the wheel and talk with the operators of those vehicles and others in the industry. It was a fantastic opportunity to showcase trucks for our younger generation and to all generations looking for a great career. We had I LOVE TRUCK buttons for all attendees.

