

DEAN DAUNHAUER

The Life and Times of Dean Daunhauer: The Career of Dean Daunhauer

Graduate: Class of 1979 Occupation: Facilities Engineering Manager
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Ever since his childhood years, Dean Daunhauer has been hard at work. He's still putting in about ten hours a day, five days a week, and about five hours on Saturday mornings. Dean Daunhauer grew up in Ferdinand, Indiana. Growing up, he lived on the edge of town. Now, that area and beyond has become neighborhoods. Dean went to Forest Park High School and graduated in 1979. He has many wonderful memories from this school. One of the fondest is being on the only team in Forest Park history to win a tennis sectional. Dean attended college at Indiana State University. He received a Bachelor of Science degree with a double major, receiving degrees in mechanical technology and manufacturing technology. He graduated college in 1983.

Dean now works as a facilities engineering manager. He has been working in this field for five years. His duties include making sure all areas of the factory work to keep the company's operations moving steadily and to make sure the condition of the buildings and grounds are up to standards. In the past, Dean also has had many other jobs in manufacturing: industrial engineer, human resource safety manager, environmental coordinator, industrial engineering manager, manager of manufacturing and industrial engineering, and operations manager. Dean said, "Earning my college degree is still providing benefits today." He is still having great opportunities to move forward in his career because he received a college degree.

Today, he has a family that consists of his wife Jenny and his two sons Evan and Collin. He says that his family is the greatest joy in his life. Dean also enjoys playing golf and spending time at our family's lake property and cabin with family and friends. He also enjoys tailgating there before football games. Dean gave me some words of wisdom: "The direction you choose after high school is life changing, ultimately, choose what is best for you. Whatever the choice, embrace it with a passion. Give it 110% everyday, and you will give yourself a great chance for success."