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Gwaltney celebrates 40 years of service

Darrell Gwaltney, Permanent Signing Specialist, in the Bureau of Transportation Safety and Technology, has achieved a career milestone and is celebrating 40 years of valued service to the State of Kansas.

Gwaltney began with the Kansas Highway Commission (now known as the Kansas Department of Transportation) in the Location and Design Concept department doing preliminary survey work in 1974. Two years later, was promoted to the Signing Section in the Maintenance department. He designs and reviews plans for permanent signs on the Kansas highway system.

In April 2013, he was awarded a People Saving People award at the state Traffic Safety Conference for his “dogged determination to go above and beyond the craft and leave no stone unturned in his effort to make sure every signing situation is as perfectly safe as it can be,” stated the nomination.

Gwaltney and his wife, Tami, have eight children - Brian (deceased), Jason, Aryk, Apryl, Holland, Houston, Wyatt, and Walker - and reside in Topeka. He serves as a youth bowling coach and enjoys working at music festivals and Kansas Speedway events.

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