

COAL MAN OF THE YEAR

MARSHALL

FUGATE

Your 2012 Coal Man of the Year is Marshall Fugate, born and raised in eastern Kentucky. Marshall's education concluded with a degree from the Hazard vo-tech school specializing in drafting. In 1968, he met Jackie, the love of his life. They were married in 1971. Marshall and Jackie are the proud parents of twin sons Leslie and Wesley. Both sons graduated from Centre College and went on to receive masters' degrees from the University of Vanderbilt. Marshall and Jackie are now the proud grandparents of Kensington Lee Fugate.

After spending about four years with an engineering company as a draftsman and bridge inspector, on May 1, 1973 Marshall began his mining career with Consolidation Coal Co. (CONSOL) in the engineering department and later in Safety. Marshall worked for CONSOL until he retired in 2011. He joined the mine rescue team in 1974 and was map man on the Mathews Mine team for 10 years and became a trainer in 1984 at the CONSOL Jones Fork operation. Among his many accolades in mine rescue were two time winner of the KMI KY State Contest, National award for work and dedication toward mine rescue, NMRA KY Post 2 Man of the year in 2011, and induction into the National Mine Rescue Hall of Fame in 2011.

Marshall and his respective locations also received many awards for safety achievements during his career while working for CONSOL at the Mathews Mine, Jones Fork operation and the Wiley Surface Mine. He was also President of the Knott/Floyd chapter of the Joseph A. Holmes Safety Association, the NMRA Kentucky Smoke Eaters Post 2, the Big Sandy Mining Institute and also the Kentucky Mining Institute.

KMI congratulates Marshall Fugate, a very special person indeed.