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Manenti Bids Industry Adieu

Hear a fond farewell in industry veteran Tom Manenti's own words.

To My Friends and Industry Associates:

SBC Magazine was kind enough to provide this space to me for a brief message. My last day as an employee of MiTek Industries, Inc. was January 31, 2008. Last spring when I announced that I would be retiring from MiTek in January of 08, it seemed like such a long way off. It's hard to believe how quickly the time has flown; and that goes for my entire 30-plus years in our industry. It seems like only yesterday...

I was honored to have the opportunity to say "goodbye" to so many of you at the BCMC Show last year in Columbus where we were able to recall some truly special moments together. There is always the good intention to "keep in touch" after one departs. I realize that it's not practical to expect that this will necessarily be the case. Please know that if our last conversation together turns out to be our final one, it will not diminish my memory of you and our relationship over the years. I will cherish these always, and from time to time will enjoy a moment of reflection about individual people and the things we did together.

I am deeply thankful to all of you for allowing me to be a part of your life....

I'm looking forward to my new adventure with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes in St. Louis. It's a great organization with wonderful people to work with. If you want to see what it's all about you can go to www.stlfc.org on the web. I'll be "behind the scenes;" however, you'll see the meaningful and significant things that we are doing with the ministry.

I am deeply thankful to all of you for allowing me to be a part of your life and I wish you the very best that life has to offer.

Sincerely,

Tom Manenti

Fond Farewells

You can find the complete article detailing Manenti's retirement from the industry, "Manenti Leaves a Lifetime's Impact in 30-Year Career," on page 44 of the January/February 2008 issue or in the Past Issues section of our website: www.sbcmag.info.

CORRECTION: Please note that in this article we incorrectly reported that MiTek's purchase of Gang-Nail occurred in 1991. It actually happened in 1987.

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