

In Memoriam

Michael C. Graebner, 24, of Towson, Maryland was an outstanding part of the sales team at Finch Turf Equipment, Inc in Westminster, MD. His sales territory was the Eastern Shore of Maryland and Delaware. His first year began with attaining the top sales ranking for '97/'98, Well liked among his peers, his accomplishments will never be forgotten and his friendship will be sorely missed.

Remembering Carroll A. Davis

by: Dave Cammarota

My earliest recollections of Carroll Davis began in 1963 when I first came to Baltimore from the Salisbury, Md. area, and was working at Bonnie View Country Club. Carroll was one of the first Sales Reps I was introduced to in the Baltimore area. He represented Harry T. Campbell Inc., a local sand supplier and was calling on golf courses in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware and Virginia. He was always a gentleman, always jovial, and seemingly hadn't a care in the world. In the early-mid 1970's Harry T. Campbell was bought out by Flintcote, Inc. and Carroll continued as their field representative for the four to five years they owned the company until they eventually sold, to Genstar, Inc. Finally, in 1980, after almost 40 years, Carroll retired from his duties as "The Sandman." During his years as a sand supplier, Carroll, who was member of the Mid-Atlantic, learned that our growing turf industry had no local source for sterilized topdressing, and he was acquainted with Mr. John Strickland who operated a successful topsoil business in Baltimore County. Carroll served as the catalyst responsible for the Mid-Atlantic region's only source of commercially supplied sterilized topdressing mix using his sand, Strickland's topsoil, and some imported peat humus from Western Pennsylvania. After his retirement from Genstar in 1980, Carroll got right back into the business as a field representative for Egypt Farms, and served for 14 years until a serious traffic accident forced his 2nd retirement. Those of us who remember him best recall his casual, ready smile and great sense of humor, and we will miss him.

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