

## INTRODUCTION

I am an exception to the rule. I learn fast, master things quickly, and I remember. I have an engineering mind, love people, and being around heavy equipment. I never tire of learning more, and I love to share that knowledge with others. I am a big team player, very loyal, with strong ethics, and dependable. I have been driving since I was 8 years old, starting in a pick-up truck, on a 3-speed standard transmission. I can drive just about anything. It's time to visit and see if we have a working formula. Let's talk!

## SKILL HIGHLIGHTS

- CDL – Class AM certified driver (M=motorcycle also)
- CDL – endorsement: 5<sup>th</sup> wheel; manual & automatic transmission
- CDL – endorsement: tanker, double/triple trailer, Hazmat, 53'ft flatbed, 53'ft van, passenger & school bus, with TX safety training req'd.
- TWIC - TSA Security Cleared Badge (clean background)
- CDL – completed “all” endorsements, with experience (tpsx)
- Driving/Safety Trainer/Instructor to new CDL Drivers
- Previous military experienced driver; many forklifts, heavy equipment; special vehicles, warehouse tug, Coleman (large scale tug), etc.
- Extensive farm & implement equipment experience/skills
- Experience with flatbeds, tankers, and pneumatic sand trailers
- Mechanically minded; work well with vehicle maintenance
- Thorough understanding of PTO systems and their operation
- A “BIG” proponent of driving safety and accident prevention
- Experience with 5, 8, 10 18 and 21-speed manual transmissions
- Excellent health and fitness, good diet, strong lifter
- I already have my hard hat, gas mask, gas sensor, fire retardant coveralls and clothing, gloves, steel toe boots, etc.
- Well trained in fire extinguisher operation and on-site first aid
- 2+ years experience with tanker trailers, oil transport
- recently trained on pneumatic sand trailers and long flatbeds
- in-touch, reliable, dependable, safety conscious

## MY IMMEDIATE GOAL

I've spent the last 30 years working as a contractor in the IT field. Prior to that, I drove just about everything while serving in the Air Force. My USAF Drivers License had to have an addendum sheet added to accommodate all the certifications and vehicles I was licensed to drive. I love working with computers and technology, but I am discovering that my real passion is working with people. I love teaching, training and encouraging people. And I am finding that people receive from me well, in training and in teamwork. I want a place where I can make a difference, where I am trusted. I want to be “the guy” my company looks to for the answers. I plan to document how I do things, so that my company will never be left in a jam, in my absence. I want a good enough salary so that I will not be spending time looking for other opportunities, and I can just focus on making my areas of responsibility the best the company has ever experienced! It is important to me to always have an open channel with my superiors, not for the purpose of complaining, but so they feel the freedom to question my processes, and understand my choices, to develop their trust in my actions.

## EDUCATION / CERTIFICATIONS

Graduate BA in Biblical & Theological Studies; AS in Computer Information Systems  
Certified in Avionic Communications & Navigations systems, electronics repair/maintenance - USAF/USAFR  
Certified in Business Management & Leadership Techniques – CCAF, ACC, Dell Computers  
Certified in Newspaper Journalism; served on newspaper & yearbook design staff; an experienced writer  
Competed in state competition in Sales Presentations; phenomenal, effective salesman!  
Certified Open Water Scuba diver with PADI  
Certified in Basic Electronics Troubleshooting & Repair; effective quality soldering training  
Certified in People Management and Supervision - CCAF, ACC, USAF/USAFR  
Certified in Boy Scouts of America - certified Chaplain; Charter Org Rep; Scoutmaster/Trainer  
Military Experience: served 12 years – USAF/USAFR - high scores in all 4 areas of ASVAB .  
Ham Radio - General Class [K7RLY]; GMRS [WQTS370]; 3rd Class Radiotelephone, broadcast endorsed;  
Master Shell Scripting certified – LINUX Training Academy; ongoing LINUX/classes in-work  
Licensed/Certified CDL Class AM Commercial Driver, with “all” endorsements (tpsx)

## QUICK SUMMARY

CDL Class AM Licensed Driver (tpsx – all endorsements)

I enjoy driving ... I always have. I've been driving since I was 8yrs old, licensed since I was 14 (TX hardship). I hauled cattle, operated farm implements, hauled hay, etc. in my early days up through High School.

While in the Air Force, I started driving various vehicles, ranging from 18-wheeled tractor/trailer flatbed rigs, to step vans, line trucks, Coleman, warehouse tugs, and various forklifts, etc. My license they issued had so many vehicles and endorsements that they had to add an addendum sheet to my license.

After leaving the Air Force, I obtained my chauffeurs license (1982) and pulled tankers for almost 3yrs, hauling crude oil, salt water, and fresh water in tanker trailers.

I moved to Austin Texas around 1984-85, and began working with computers. The industry was just emerging, and UNIX was coming on the rise. I had to learn from scratch, as classes for these subjects just didn't exist. After a 4 year stint with Dell Computers, I left and began contracting on my own. I did that for about 28 years. When the computer business was slow, I worked as a NEXTEL Sales Manager, and even obtained my Real Estate license and worked with RE/MAX. I can do "anything".

In early 2016, I began working for Guardian Protection Services, selling home security systems. During that time I drove all over Central Texas and put over 92,000 miles on my new Jeep Cherokee Trailhawk, in all kinds of traffic, often driving long hours and distances (Central Texas region), and became their number one salesman!

Early in 2019, I began taking the tests for my CDL, and learning the differences in things that have changed since I was driving back in the 1980's. I paid Austin CDL Services to help me with the new "double-clutch" now required during testing, and with the in-cab airbrake tests and pre-trip inspections that fail so many. While training there, I learned from their standard and automatic transmissions, using their tractor and trailer combinations. I passed all of my Class A endorsements, the double/triple trailer, tanker, hazmat, and hazmat tanker, along with the endorsements for 5<sup>th</sup> wheel and standard shift. I also obtained my TWIC/TSA Security ID card, and even passed the written tests for the passenger bus and school bus as well.

While at Austin CDL Services, I learned of some sand hauler jobs in the Midland Texas area, and worked out a deal with ONPAR Trucking to get some training on the pneumatic sand trailers. While there, I obtained my PEC, and obtained fire retardant clothing, my gas sensor, a hard hat, reflective vests, etc. and training for being on the oil rig sites and in the environment. Afterwards I accepted a job with Melton Truck Lines, driving 53ft flatbed trailers. I later decided to leave, as their safety levels were too low, and I returned to training drivers with Austin CDL Services, while looking for another position.

Having worked on farm equipment for years, and with the many vehicles in the military, I learned to maintain vehicles properly and to spot safety issues early, thus avoiding further damage to vehicles and potential safety issues that could arise from various failures. I use the same preventative practices in traffic, to plan for potential situations and avoid them. I have a mechanical mind, and was rated in the US ASVAB testing with high percentages in motor and general mechanics, clerical administration and in electronics. In other words, I can see it, learn it, and do it! I remember it, and often can later teach it.

At Dell Computers, I was asked to lead the "Hot Customer Queue" because they thought I excelled in dealing with irate and upset customers. At Guardian Protection Services, I was hired because of my love for working with people. Naturally, I rose to the top as their top sales representative. So, I know how to deal with people, how to build relationships, how to team build, and how to diffuse otherwise hostile and unwanted situations.

I am extremely adaptable, and I learn and understand quickly, and remember. I can work autonomously, with little or no supervision, knowing I am "trusted" to accomplish the assigned tasks. I've been driving again off-and-on over the road since I renewed my license a few years ago, and when home teaching with Austin CDL Services. During the Covid scamdemic, I actually ran Austin CDL Services for the boss while he recovered from the normal flu. I like driving, and on-the-road experiences in a tractor trailer rig, but I want to learn, to grow, to build my experience, and to excel in safety, in my driving skills, paperwork, my choices, and my value to an employer.

Please give me the opportunity to prove myself to you and your company ...