

At Bennett Motor Express, Inc., It's A Family Tradition

When Marcia Garrison looks forward to her day at the office, she knows it will not be just another day at the office. It will be filled with new challenges even she may not be familiar with. "Each day is a new adventure," Mrs. Garrison said.

Marcia Garrison is the President and Owner of Bennett Motor Express while her two sons, Danny and David, and one daughter, Lynett McBrayer, are Vice Presidents. Mrs. Garrison and her late husband, who died in 1981, bought the business from George Bennett in 1974 and moved it to McDonough, Georgia. The company had 15 trucks and trailers then.

Since that time, Bennett Motor Express, Inc. has become one of the largest Owner Operator Companies in the country with a variety of services. Among these services are Haul Away, Flat Beds, Heavy-Haul, Drop Deck, Vans, Drive Away, and Hot Shots (for Light Duty Hauling Needs). "About 55% of all our freight could be hauled with Hot Shot, or 48" Flat 300, or Step Deck Trailers" says David Lowery V.P. "We haul mostly higher dollar freight, this enables our owner operator to be more profitable."

The Drive Away division has become a big part of Bennett's operation. With over 300 drivers and 14 terminals dedicated to this division, they can provide fast, dependable

service to almost any area in the U.S.A.

The Drop Deck part of Bennett's operation is by far the largest and most versatile. "Our versatility allows us to haul anything from farm equipment to just about any type of equipment. The reason we are so versatile is to keep our Owner Operators moving with the most profitable freight available," said David Lowery.

Mrs. Garrison credits Bennett's success to a loyal troop of managers who stayed with her through the years. Among them was Barbara Phillips, V.P., Safety & Compliance Director; Regina Foster, Office Manager; William T. Ford, Executive V.P.; and T.D. Davidson, Treasurer & Marcia's Right Hand Man.

The "Bennett Bunch" as they're sometimes called, has a unity that you can only describe as a family unit and that's how they operate. Everyone is treated like family which attributes to the low turnover rate.



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