

History



In 1962 Patrick H. O'Rourke laid the foundation for what would become O'Rourke Wrecking Company. At the age of 20, Pat started his own business excavating basements and foundations for home builders in Cincinnati. Word quickly spread about the quality service and integrity with which Pat conducted business. He capitalized on the opportunity to grow the company as Cincinnati experienced an urban renewal during the 1960's. Throughout the late 60's and 70's he expanded the scope of services offered to include demolition, underground utility construction, as well as commercial and residential development.

In 1986 Pat's son, Mike joined the firm full time. Having worked in the field since an early age, Mike had fulfilled his dream to join his father and grow a family business; unfortunately, Pat tragically lost his life to cancer in 1994.

Mike with support from a strong team of dedicated professionals has advanced the business to become one of the nation's top demolition specialty contractors providing a complete scope of demolition and decommissioning services and operating a recycling center and C&D landfill.



In 2019 Michele O'Rourke became the Chief Executive Officer and majority owner of O'Rourke Wrecking Company and is focused on the strategic growth of the business and day- to-day operations. Michele joined the team in 1993 and has held various positions throughout her career at O'Rourke. Michele remains dedicated to building the business with the same passion as her



predecessors.

Today, O'Rourke Wrecking Company still operates on the cornerstones on which it was founded - superior service and integrity. Just as Pat and Mike O'Rourke believed and Michele O'Rourke has continued to instill that a company is judged by its quality of work and the dedication of its employees. These simple traits have kept O'Rourke Wrecking Company's clients satisfied and coming back decade after decade.