

Walter Stansbury MMR #169

Walter Stansbury MMR 169 is 64 years old, a Mid-Continent Region member, and resides in Springfield, Missouri. He is a retired Television Broadcasting Maintenance Engineer. His career spans 37 years, and several states.

He started model railroading before World War II with American Flyer and hand laid track. Then came the war, marriage, five children, and a career. Trains were almost forgotten until he read about a local train meet in 1979. Things started to get serious after seeing a club-owned modular layout, where you could actually run trains and work with other over grown kids, without feeling like a fool.

The HO Flat River and Northern was born in his remodeled attic and today is essentially complete. When one runs out of layout space indoors, the only sensible thing to do is to start another out in the garden. But this time to make it a big enough scale

to see. Walt has done much experimentation with the outdoor G gauge Pike and has been quite active with the Springfield Garden Railroad group..

Model railroading has been quite rewarding to Walt and his wife Fran, since they both help locally and attend meets throughout the region. He holds certificates for Cars, Structures, Scenery, Civil, Electrical Engineer, Dispatcher and Association Volunteer. Walt is especially grateful to Ron Williams MMR, and Vern Hart MMR, for their help and encouragement.

To Walt, model railroading is a unique and rewarding hobby that can easily be shared with the wife, the kids, neighbors and other people who may only have a passing interest at the moment, or with fellow model railroaders who are intense in their pursuit of perfection, and everything in between.

