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## **Victaulic Says Farewell to Longest Tenured Manufacturing Employee**

Manufacturing Worker Mario Nesci Retires after 48 Years

**EASTON, PA – January 30, 2018** – [Victaulic](#), the leading manufacturer of mechanical pipe joining solutions, has made its home in the Easton community for more than 50 years. In 1967, Victaulic bought iron casting supplier, Lehigh Inc., in West Easton, and in 1977, opened the Forks Township foundry. This week, Victaulic Finishing Processor Mario Nesci of Palmer Township hangs up his safety glasses, coat, hard hat and gloves as he retires as the company's longest tenured manufacturing employee of 48 years.

In 1969, Mario Nesci crossed the Atlantic in hopes of achieving the American Dream. On Monday, December 27, 1969, 18-year-old Mario began his first day at Victaulic's West Easton foundry as a mold operator. Never having attended college, Mario said Victaulic was a great choice for him because he didn't need to go to school to learn how to work. "My computer was in my head," he says.

After the West Easton foundry closed, Mario began at Forks as a utility worker, then moved into the finishing role, which he held for 34 years.

"Mario still works just as hard today as when he was hired," says Mike Lipyanic, Forks Production Supervisor. "The knowledge and skills he's acquired over the years is information that needs to be passed on... I told him he's going to be missed."

Mario was born and raised in Calabria, Italy where much of his family still lives today. After going back to Calabria in 1974, he met his wife and brought her to America, in hopes of making a better life for them. Together they raised three children while Mario worked at Victaulic. During retirement, Mario plans to spend time with family and travel, including trips back to his hometown in Italy. "Victaulic was good to me," he says with a smile. "I got whatever I wanted. I bought a car, I bought a house, I sent my kids to college by myself without help."

### **About Victaulic**

Since 1919, Victaulic's pipe joining and flow control solutions have optimized construction productivity and reduced risk, ensuring projects are completed safely, on time and within budget. Driven by a spirit of continuous innovation, Victaulic's portfolio of 100,000+ products and patented technologies promote freedom of design, as well as simplified inspection and maintenance for the life of any system. With more than 3,600 employees and 40 international facilities, Victaulic helps customers in over 120 countries succeed in the global construction industry. From the tallest buildings to the deepest mines, customers trust our products to increase overall system durability in the most demanding construction projects and operating conditions. Learn more about how our innovative piping products and design services can engineer confidence into your build at [www.victaulic.com](http://www.victaulic.com).

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