

The Meter Setter

08
AUGUST
2024

25th Annual Dave Kunkel Cruise-In for ALS



In 1973, Dave Kunkel began his career at Ford Meter Box as the assistant foundry manager and soon advanced to foundry manager. In the decades to follow, he would transform the department into a world-class operation with state-of-the-art equipment and well-trained staff. In 1997, he became Senior Vice President of Manufacturing, overseeing production throughout the entire facility. Dave also served on the company's board of directors and the Ford Meter Box Foundation.

Known for his leadership and personable nature, Dave worked passionately until his battle with ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease) forced him to retire. Despite his illness, he remained a positive influence and inspiration. Dave had a deep love for classic cars, particularly his 1965 metallic blue Corvette convertible, and frequently discussed cars with colleagues. In his memory, employees organized the first Dave Kunkel Cruise-In, an annual event that continues to raise funds for ALS research, attracting hundreds of vehicles in support of the cause. Dave's legacy of community support and enthusiasm for helping others lives on through these efforts.



The 25th Annual Dave Kunkel Cruise-In for ALS will be held this year in Wabash, Indiana on Friday, August 16 and Saturday, August 17. A diverse display of over 400 classic cars, hot rods, and convertibles, along with live music, food trucks, and activities for all ages is expected to draw thousands of attendees and tens of thousands of dollars for ALS research.



The Ford Meter Box Company, Inc., P.O. Box 443, Wabash, Indiana, USA 46992-0443

Phone: 260-563-3171 • www.fordmeterbox.com