

Lorne Babiuk CAM 2024 Distinguished Service Award

The DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD recognizes a prominent member of the profession who has made a significant contribution to the moving industry and has dedicated service to the Canadian Association of Movers.

Over a dedicated 12-year career as the owner of Firemen Movers, Lorne has made substantial contributions to the moving industry and community, becoming a respected leader and advocate, especially through his extensive work with the Canadian Association of Movers.

Since joining CAM's board in 2017, Lorne has been an active and vocal advocate, passionately supporting CAM's mission by helping shape cornerstone policies such as branding and membership onboarding policies, and by consistently attending industry events to strengthen community ties.

A key contributor to CAM's membership committee, Lorne worked alongside Wayne Wishloff and spearheaded a two-year initiative to reform the onboarding process, helping make membership more accessible and thorough.

He also volunteered to conduct in-person site visits of prospective mover members in the Greater Toronto Area, something he continues to do today even though he has retired from the moving industry.

Lorne was instrumental in assisting CAM during a critical police warehouse raid in June 2022 and provided ongoing support in the aftermath by helping the police reunite stolen shipments with their rightful owners, showcasing his commitment to maintaining integrity within the industry.

Lorne is a very level-headed individual and his sage advice may not come from a long tenure in the moving industry but from someone who has faced more stress and life experience in his career than any of us will ever.



Beyond business achievements, Lorne has volunteered for rescue moves, especially for vulnerable individuals, and has trained Shelter Movers' volunteers in professional moving techniques, offering critical support to communities in need.

Dedicated to supporting the career paths of his team at Firemen's, Lorne has gone above and beyond by assisting employees in their journeys to becoming firefighters.

He not only helped cover costs for DZ licenses and training classes but also provided practice equipment and maintained a gym within the warehouse, ensuring that crews could meet the rigorous fitness requirements of firefighting.

Through these achievements, Lorne has left a lasting impact on the moving industry, CAM, and the lives of his colleagues and community members, embodying the spirit of leadership, integrity, and service.

This award is a testament to his outstanding contributions and unwavering dedication.

