

**Norm Thompson**  
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Press operator with over 30 years' experience in multi-color offset printing is available for work. I'm seeking full time employment as a press operator. Willing to relocate. I'm a fifth generation pressman who started his career with a two year formal education at a technical college while in high school.

Most of my experience has been on Heidelberg and Komori presses, with some experience on Man Roland and Mitsubishi presses. I'm a self-starter, very reliable employee, who is willing to work any shift.

I keep a close eye on my work, pulling sheets and taking consistent densitometer readings at regular intervals. I have experience running various substrates through the press consistently and can match spot colors and meet press targets. I'm always available for overtime and I keep my work area and equipment clean and perform scheduled maintenance on my equipment. If you are in need of an experienced press operator, give me a call at: (539) 215-6865 or at my62thunderbird@gmail.com

## **EXPERIENCE**

### **Resource One/ Tulsa, Oklahoma / (918) 925-0112**

April 23, 2018 - April 1, 2019

#### **Press Operator Heidelberg SM102 6/Color CD**

Press operator at direct mail printing company. Printing mostly direct mail pieces, some magazines and newsletters. Oftentimes utilizing all six units to print an additional two colors of PMS in combination with four color process.

Most noticeable improvements the company realized in hiring me, was an improvement in production and quality from the previous operator.

Reason for Leaving: Medical leave of absence due to throat cancer. Upon returning from my medical leave of absence, found out the company sold my press. I no longer have a press to run. Searching for a new job.

### **Express Docs/ Ft. Worth, Texas / (817) 547-9744**

December 10, 2017 - April 20, 2018

#### **Press Operator Heidelberg SM102 6/Color CD**

Press operator at corporate identity company printing corporate identity pieces such as custom long run envelopes that were printed flat, business card shells and other corporate identity pieces including presentation folders and all the related collateral printed material to insert into presentation folders.

Most noticeable improvement the company realized in hiring me, was a consistency in color matches from run to run.

Reason for Leaving: Laid off. This company was bought out by Reynolds and Reynolds of Dayton Ohio. The first thing they did, was conduct a cost/profit analysis on all the existing customers and told all the customers that they weren't going to make a profit on that they wouldn't do any more work for them. The next thing they did, was lay off some employees.

### **The Right Printer/ Haltom City, Texas / (877) 431-5900**

October 20, 2014 - December 1, 2017

#### **Press Operator Man Roland 700 Mitsubishi Diamond 3000 40" 6/Color**

Press operator at general printing company. Printing short run to long run jobs.

Lots of books and catalogs.

Most noticeable improvement the company realized was my speed in going from one job onto the next job.

Reason for Leaving: Laid off. Afterwards, I found out the company went out of

business.

**Fairmont Printing/ Fairmont, West Virginia / (800) 423-4556**

August 2007 - March 12, 2013

**Press Operator Heidelberg**

Press operator on Heidelberg presses ranging from Heidelberg SM 102 8/Color to MOZP and SM52 5/Color. Did mostly recruitment type printing for colleges and universities including rack cards and direct mail pieces. Also did printing for the various school districts in that area and direct mail and brochures for ski resorts. Most notable improvement the company realized, was my ability to improve the quality from the previous press operator and my willingness to move from one press to another.

Reason for Leaving: Once I was certain the economy was better, after the 2008 crash, I quit, and escaped the poverty of West Virginia with no regrets.

**The Johns Byrnes Company/ Niles, Illinois / (847) 583-3100**

June 2006 - July 2007

**Press Operator Komori Lithrone 640**

Press operator for high end printing company that markets towards nationally recognized advertising agencies.

Reason for Leaving: Quit. Was transferred to the Grave Yard Shift. Not my favorite shift.

**EDUCATION**

1974 - 1975 San Jose Regional Vocational Center

San Jose, California

Major: Visual Communications Printing

Two years of a formal education at a technical college. My dad was a linotype operator for the San Jose Mercury News. When they phased out the linotypes, he started a print shop in the garage. I would practice what I learned at my vocational school on his equipment in the garage. It was a natural fit. I got straight A's in my vocational school training.