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Whether it is volunteering for his church, community or country, Ron Luci has dedicated his adult life to service. When he retired from the Steel Industry after more than 30 years of service, Luci wanted to continue to help people.

The Donora, Pennsylvania resident has always felt the need to help others. During his career in the Steel Industry, Luci was tapped for a leadership role among the rank and file because of his ability to communicate and understand the needs of fellow employees. A major steelmaker named him a Mastercraft Mechanical Team Leader. It was a position that required Luci to organize and manage the functions of more than a dozen highly skilled mechanical repairmen at a state of the art coke oven door repair facility. It was also during his tenure at the steelmaker that Luci held several leadership positions with the United Steelworkers of America local union. When he retired from his position with the company, Luci was Recording Secretary with the local union.

Luci is most proud of his 28 years of military service to our nation. Luci was selected, by his commander, as the First Sergeant of the Logistics Readiness Squadron of the 171st Air Refueling Wing in Pittsburgh. His chief responsibility was to ensure the welfare, discipline, morale and readiness of the squadron enlisted corps. His dual role was to make sure that the squadron was prepared and trained for their missions while communicating their unique needs to it's leaders.

His understanding diverse cultures and customs made Luci the obvious choice by the Wing Commander for the position of Human Resource Advisor for the 171st Air Refueling Wing. Luci was charged with using his talent to organize a 'first of its kind' diversity initiative at the 171st Air Refueling Wing, a program which would be later emulated throughout the entire Pennsylvania National Guard. In approaching this role, Luci adhered to the belief that a successful organization is attainable only if the organization values its employees and ensures that everyone counts, and that no person is left out because of their beliefs, background, or cultural differences. The program, which trained approximately 1500 men and women, was so successful that it set the pattern for implementation of diversity initiatives at the remaining military installations around the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

After several years Luci returned to the Logistics Readiness Squadron as a Chief Master Sergeant and Senior Enlisted Manager. As Chief, Luci participated in 'think tanks' at the Wing level and advised the Wing Commander on issues that were important to the Wing's mission and it's people.

In addition to his military service, Luci brought his unique management and leadership skills to his community. He served his fellow residents as a member of the Donora Borough Council. Luci was also responsible for overseeing 18 full-time employees, 6000 accounts and a budget of more than \$2.2 million as a member of the board of directors for the Mon Valley Sewage Authority.

Currently Mr. Luci serves as District Director for a local state representative in Pennsylvania.

Luci and his wife Kathy are the proud parents of three children and four granddaughters.