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Jesse Gregory retiring after 13 years with KDOT in Winfield

By Tim Potter

Jesse Gregory -- retiring after 13 years with KDOT -- was asked what he will miss most about his job as Equipment Operator at the Winfield Subarea shop.

“Mainly just being friends with all the guys out here,” he answered.

Jesse has spent his whole KDOT career with the Winfield shop. Before coming to KDOT, he worked 24 years on a farm, tending to hogs and wheat, milo and soybean crops.

The lifelong Cowley County resident was born and raised in Silverdale. He plans to remain in Arkansas City. His wife, Robin Gregory, retired from KDOT in 2019. “She’s ready for me to retire,” Jesse said. They have two children, Stewart Matthews and Terry Gregory, and three grandchildren: Jesse, Austin and Ashley Gregory.

Asked about his retirement plans, Jesse wrote them out: “Fishing, hunting, honey-do lists, gardening, relax.” Gardening will include growing “tomatoes, peppers, everything.” Relaxation will include “just watching TV and stuff.”

“I’ll stay busy,” Jesse said, “especially around the house.”

CAPTION: Jesse Gregory, Equipment Operator, is retiring. Photo by Scott Kent

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