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BIKAR bids farewell to Kurt Kleinmichel after 50 years in retirement

A special farewell was given at BIKAR METALLE GmbH in Bad Berleburg-Raumland. The family-owned company said goodbye to Kurt Kleinmichel, its longest employee of many years. Kurt Kleinmichel had been working for the traditional company since April 1, 1972, and has thus accompanied and shaped the development of the metal trader for more than 50 years.

Particularly unusual: Throughout the years, the Berghäuser always pursued another profession at the same time and had a permanent part-time job at BIKAR.

Fifty years ago, Kurt Kleinmichel was the first external office employee to bring order to the then still young company and laid important foundations in accounting and administration from which BIKAR still benefits today. He was one of the few employees who have worked with all three BIKAR generations. Even if he was not always on site, Kurt Kleinmichel was still the contact person for many employees in technical matters concerning the company pension scheme.

Since 1980, Kurt Kleinmichel has been primarily responsible for BIKAR's payroll accounting and looked after it until 2019. Together with colleagues, he introduced digital solutions early on, which are still the basis for the company's accounting today. His meticulousness and reliability were and remain exemplary for future generations. Thus Managing Director Pascal Bikar paid tribute to his life's work: "With you, one could always be sure that a task would be completed 100%. Many BIKAR employees were and are still grateful to you today for your tips and assistance".

As a small thank you, he received a hiking vacation in the Black Forest. Managing Director Claudia Bikar also emphasized in her farewell speech: "Kurt, you will always remain a part of the company history of BIKAR. As our number 1 employee, you are also a big piece of family history. We thank you for that and wish you a wonderful retirement."

Caption: Farewell to Kurt Kleinmichel: Dr. Ulf Völker presents Kurt Kleinmichel with the Honorary certificate of the IHK for 50 years of service at BIKAR.

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