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Three generations of ironworkers in the Peplinski family, L-R: Dennis Peplinski (Gus's son), Gus Peplinski, Leon Peplinski (Gus's dad), Jim Peplinski (Gus's brother), Wayne Peplinski (Gus's nephew, Jim's son). Made in 1991 on the occasion of Leon's 50th year in the trade. From the collection of retired ironworker, Gus Peplinski, Custer, Wisconsin. Courtesy of Gus Peplinski.

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First names of three generations of ironworkers in the Peplinski family, written on the back of a photograph (PH07 & PH08) showing the Peplinski ironworkers, and including the year when each started in the trade: Leon, 1941; Gus, 1957; Jim, 1965; Dennis, 1980; Wayne, 1990. Written in 1991 on the occasion of Leon's 50<sup>th</sup> year in the trade. From the collection of retired ironworker, Gus Peplinski, Custer, Wisconsin. Courtesy of Gus Peplinski.

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Dennis Peplinski welding during the construction of the Kraft Paper Mill, Wisconsin Rapids, 1996. From the collection of retired ironworker, Gus Peplinski, Custer, Wisconsin. Courtesy of Gus Peplinski.

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Gus Peplinski (extreme R) and three other workers atop the 299' chimney of the Kraft Paper Mill, Wisconsin Rapids, 1996. From the collection of retired ironworker, Gus Peplinski, Custer, Wisconsin. Courtesy of Gus Peplinski.

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Gus Peplinski (extreme R) and three other workers atop the 299' chimney of the Kraft Paper Mill, Wisconsin Rapids, 1996 (close up of PH12). From the collection of retired ironworker, Gus Peplinski, Custer, Wisconsin. Courtesy of Gus Peplinski.

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Gus Peplinski (extreme R) and three other workers atop the 299' chimney of the Kraft Paper Mill, Wisconsin Rapids, 1996 (close up of PH12). From the collection of retired ironworker, Gus Peplinski, Custer, Wisconsin. Courtesy of Gus Peplinski.

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Gus Peplinski (L) and another worker atop the 299' chimney of the Kraft Paper Mill, Wisconsin Rapids, 1996. From the collection of retired ironworker, Gus Peplinski, Custer, Wisconsin. Courtesy of Gus Peplinski.

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Ironworkers Gus Peplinski (atop a beam) and Mike Boyles of Fremont, Wisconsin (climbing a column), working on the Albertson Learning Center addition at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, ca. 1985-1986. Copy of a photograph by Doug Wojcik for the *Stevens Point Daily Journal*. From the collection of retired ironworker, Gus Peplinski, Custer, Wisconsin. Courtesy of Gus Peplinski.

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Ironworkers Gus Peplinski (atop a beam) and Mike Boyles of Fremont, Wisconsin (climbing a column), working on the Albertson Learning Center addition at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, ca. 1985-1986 (close up of PH16). Copy of a photograph by Doug Wojcik for the *Stevens Point Daily Journal*. From the collection of retired ironworker, Gus Peplinski, Custer, Wisconsin. Courtesy of Gus Peplinski.

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Gus Peplinski welding curtain wall on the side of a building (close up of PH20), the Albertson Learning Center addition at the University of Wisconsin–Stevens Point, ca. 1985-1986. Copy of a photograph by Doug Wojcik for the *Stevens Point Daily Journal*. From the collection of retired ironworker, Gus Peplinski, Custer, Wisconsin. Courtesy of Gus Peplinski.

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Gus Peplinski welding curtain wall on the side of a building, the Albertson Learning Center addition at the University of Wisconsin–Stevens Point, ca. 1985-1986. Copy of a photograph by Doug Wojcik for the *Stevens Point Daily Journal*. From the collection of retired ironworker, Gus Peplinski, Custer, Wisconsin. Courtesy of Gus Peplinski.

#### AWP00173\_PH21

Gus Peplinski walks a beam on the Albertson Learning Center addition at the University of Wisconsin–Stevens Point, ca. 1985-1986. Copy of a photograph by Doug Wojcik for the *Stevens Point Daily Journal*. From the collection of retired ironworker, Gus Peplinski, Custer, Wisconsin. Courtesy of Gus Peplinski.

#### AWP00173\_PH22

Gus Peplinski walks a beam on the Albertson Learning Center addition at the University of Wisconsin–Stevens Point, ca. 1985-1986 (close up of PH21). Copy of a photograph by Doug Wojcik for the *Stevens Point Daily Journal*. From the collection of retired ironworker, Gus Peplinski, Custer, Wisconsin. Courtesy of Gus Peplinski.

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