

# Get to know your Oak Forest senior bus drivers

## Gust, Littlejohn and Kristin help seniors get around town

If you are not a regular on the Oak Forest senior bus, you may not be familiar with the friendly faces who help our senior residents get around town. Or, maybe you are a regular rider but don't know much about the drivers who take you from place to place. Here's your opportunity to get to know the men who get our senior residents to their destinations safely.



**Richard Gust**

### How long have you been an Oak Forest senior bus driver?

I've been happily driving the bus for the past 11 years.

### What do you like most about driving the bus?

It's very rewarding to help seniors have a good quality of life. The senior bus provides a valuable service for those who are unable

to drive themselves to the grocery store or other places so they can get what they need.

### What did you do before becoming a bus driver?

I worked at the Chicago Board of Trade and Mercantile Exchange. I was also a professional bowler and baseball player. In addition, I served as a sports official for college and high school baseball. In 1999 and 2000, I officiated the State of Illinois Girls Basketball finals.

### What do you do in your spare time?

I enjoy sports and spending time with my grandchildren.

### How long have you been an Oak Forest resident?

I've lived in this city for 37 years with my wife and three children. I have five grandchildren and another one on the way.



**Chuck Littlejohn**

### How long have you been an Oak Forest senior bus driver?

I've been an Oak Forest bus driver for 12 years.

### What do you like most about driving the bus?

It's a good feeling to help seniors who are in need and who appre-

ciate it. Also, I feel compelled to help in anyway I can.

### What did you do before becoming a bus driver?

I was a South Suburban Pace bus driver for 30 years. After 13 and a half years of service, I became a Million Mile Driver.

### What do you do in your spare time?

I collect coins, watch the Cubs and babysit the grandkids.

### How long have you been an Oak Forest resident?

I've been a resident for 40 years. My wife and I raised five children here. We now have seven grandchildren.



**John Kristin**

### How long have you been an Oak Forest senior bus driver?

I'm the rookie. I've been driving for two years.

### What do you like most about driving the bus?

I enjoy meeting and talking to the seniors and helping them with their daily routines.

### What did you do before becoming a bus driver?

I worked as a bank representative for 25 years.

### What do you do in your spare time?

I like to read, garden and babysit my grandchildren. I also enjoy watching sports, especially the Cubs.

### How long have you been an Oak Forest resident?

I've lived in Oak Forest for 35 years. My wife and I have three boys. We also have four grandchildren and one on the way.

### The senior bus provides free transportation

The senior bus offers free transportation in and around Oak Forest to individuals over the age of 60. The bus travels to senior programs and events and to businesses in the city and area communities. The bus also provides Sunday morning transportation to worship services within the city. Reservations for pickups for worship services must be made by 3 p.m. on the preceding Friday. To register for the senior bus, call 708-687-4050, ext. 1024. Registered seniors can request routine rides by calling 708-473-2925 and rides to special events by calling 708-535-4090.