

Ernest, Arthur, Russell (posthumous) and Larry Theriault

A.F. Theriault & Son Ltd is the oldest and largest privately owned shipyard in Nova Scotia. The sons of Gus and Elizabeth Theriault, Ernest, Arthur, Russell and Larry, have built on their father's legacy by continually innovating, updating and adapting to the trends and changes in boat building. Ernest joined in 1959, Arthur in 1962, Russell in 1966, and Larry in 1977. Each has had an important role in the company; Ernest: human resources, ship repair, and sawmill, Arthur: office, finance, and estimating, Russell: ship construction, Larry: stockroom, inventory and marketing. The brothers skilfully expanded, diversified and modernized operations to include not only new builds, but repair and refit of fishing, pleasure, ferry, barges, patrol, fire, pilot and workboats, in wood, steel, aluminum, fiberglass and advanced composites. Proud Acadians, the brothers inspire the next generation by saying: "rien n'est impossible si tu décides de le faire", or "nothing is impossible if you set your mind to it."