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RESUME

OBJECTIVE

A job in IT. After looking for searching for a job for several months I'm not too particular anymore.

This can be a low rate of pay with the opportunity to advance in salary as skills grow.

EXPERIENCE

30 years of experience with mainly COBOL covering several fields such as: Payroll, AP, Fixed Assets, Sales figures, reconciliation and EDI. Created several extensive systems. Migrated software from/to mainframes to AS/400, PC and other midrange computers.

Experience with other languages include PL/1, RPG, DYL280, VBA, VB.

Modified Group 1 source code to match needs using VSAM and COBOL II. Experience with ISPF, TableBase, IMS, DL/I, VSAM, DYL280, Microfocus.

Problem areas: little CICS and no DB2.

Currently I'm studying C++ and hope to get into Java shortly.

CERTIFICATION

UCLA Extension programs COBOL, MVS, VSAM, and ASEMBLER, PL/1, Visual Basic.. Learning Tree PC Assembler, C, C++.

EDUCATION

About 60 units at UCLA Extension, Los Angeles Trade Technical College, Los Angeles City College, Azusa Pacific University.

WORK EXPERIENCE

2003 April to Current
Small contracts, repairing or enhancing production runs on a Z/OS (390) and PCs. Maintaining software at a few small businesses. Earning a small income while looking for a regular job and studying C++.

1998 October to 2003 April
Blue Cross of California (Wellpoint Health Networks, pharmacy division) Worked with Cobol programs, TableBase, VSAM, IMS, CA4, MVS ZIP, ISPF, ChangeMan, MS-Excel, FTP, NDM.   OS/390 programming on the drug formulary tables history files. Worked 4 ½ years till a group of people from India came on-line and a bunch of us were laid off.

1997 to 1998
Contracting COBOL at various jobs, (California Pizza Kitchen, Hardrock Cafe, etc.)

1996 to 1997
Stark Services, N Hollywood, CA: Permanent To provide development and enhancements to the COBOL programs on the IBM 390 running MVS. Trouble shooting all application systems and original development for them with occasional cross

development on the PC with Microfocus COBOL. Used IDCAMS and other utilities to test and repair data as needed. Converting of original Group1 source programs to provide databases to aid in data entry on the Unix platform.

1991 to 1997
California Pizza Kitchen, Los Angeles, CA: Contracting and Permanent To provide development and enhancements to the COBOL programs on the AS/400, including DDS statements and CL programs as needed. To provide additional support to the Network Manager in setting up computers and creating applications on the PC's using Microfocus COBOL or MS-Access.

1985 to 1991
Legalmatics, Inc., Van Nuys, CA: Contracting and Permanent Only programmer for company for 15 years, converted from IBM 370, to a mid-machine Harris-550, then to PCs using Microfocus COBOL. Designed custom programs for the legal community creating functions not available on any commercial billing software assuring client base for years.

 1980 to1995
Associated Hosts, Inc, Beverly Hills, CA: Permanent To maintain Payroll, Accounts Payable, Fixed Assets, Daily Sales systems on a Harris-550 system using ANSI COBOL. Adjusted payroll programs as updates came in from payroll tax update service. Designed, created and tested a calendar tickler system using input from various independent databases to prepare reports of coming events as liquor license due dates or lease end dates. Worked with Washington based accounting firm to prepare computer reports for the IRS, returning over $500,000 to company from over paid taxes.

1975-1980
Devin Computer Mailing, Los Angeles, CA: Permanent To manage production and programming designing systems to process magazine services. Many of the programs became industry standards since the company was the first in many areas. While created 20 years ago, I still worked on them at Stark who purchased Devin.

SOFTWARE & OPERATING SYSTEMS
OS/390, COBOL, PL/1. ISPF, Syncsort, Mainframe FTP, Mainframe Zip, VSAM, IMS.   Moderate experience or previous experience in   MS Word, Access, Excel, HTML, DOS, Windows 98, MVS, VS1, VM, TSO, CMF, SPF, COBOL/400, Vulcan/OS, CL, JCL, OCL, VSAM, Group 1

A LITTLE HISTORY
My skill is to understand and finding solutions to problems. My gift is plain intelligence, at the expense of understanding planning and value. I can do the innovative and apparent impossible in programming in to solve a problem, the software being but a tool. The problem is that these innovative solutions may cause other programmers to be somewhat mystified and ticked off resulting in me answering a lot of questions that only s few might be able to understand. This mixed with my lack of ambition results in political suicide. I may not know the exact software you need expertise on. Yet, unknown to you, my basic nature can be used these to solve problems.

That's why most of my jobs have been from word of mouth.

Devin was my first programming job, they ran at a service center where Legamatics, Associated Hosts and Stark Services ran. Each one knew of my skills and used my services for 20 years. Associated Hosts bought an AS/400 and eventually a software package for all their financials. The president of the company selling the financial package learned of my skills and would send me around with the package to help install it, two of these places were the Hardrock Cafe and California Pizza Kitchen which hired me. So the quality of my work for the last 25 years has been based on word of mouth. It's my own fault I didn't go beyond what these companies needed, such as CICS and RPG/400 which would have made my resume look a lot better. You have the opportunity to hire me and I need work.