



Company History... From 1938 to Present:

Reliable Pest Solutions was founded in 1938 by John R. Scholes. A few years later he took a partner, Kenneth Cain.

At that time the company was called “Reliable Termite Control” and their business was exclusively the Treatment of Termites. John and Kenneth were some of the early pioneers in the treatment of termites and initiated the idea of Direct Wood Injections later adopted by other companies.

Their business grew through hard work and sacrifice, as a result many more offices were opened over the years... John’s son Gene Sr. joined the organization in the 1940s and became a Full Partner in the 1950s. When John Scholes passed away in 1967 Reliable Termite Control in Quincy IL and Hannibal MO continued under the direction of Gene Sr.

Gene Sr.’s two sons, Gene Jr. and Gary had both worked for the company while attending school and each decided to join the firm upon the completion of their education. Soon thereafter the name was changed to “Reliable Termite and Pest Control” to reflect the growing areas of service and the rapid expansion into the pest management field.

The company was incorporated in 1977 and continued to thrive and grow under the direction of Gene Sr. and Gene Jr. In 1984 Gene Sr. passed away.

Under Gene Jr.’s direction the business expanded greatly into the Pest Management Business while continuing to service Termites as well. 1982 brought more family involvement when Kathy joined the organization as the Business Manager. Kathy and Gene’s two sons, Gene III and Mike Scholes are both heavily involved in the business at this time.

In 1988, Reliable purchased the assets of Odorite of Illinois, a deodorizing service company. Later that same year Reliable purchased the Odorite of Southeast IA, which served counties throughout Iowa. Similarly, in 1993 Pest-Free of Columbia MO and Zap Pest Control of Jacksonville IL were also purchased and incorporated into Reliable.

In 2009 Mike Scholes took over the ownership and operations. He continues to move our company forward and into new areas. Under Mike’s direction “Reliable Pest Solutions” has continued to expand its customer base as well as the diverse variety of services that it now offers.

Reliable Pest Solutions now proudly serves Thousands of Commercial and Residential customers throughout Illinois, Iowa and Missouri. Our Steady, Reliable and Continued Growth can be attributed to primary principles: Providing customer satisfaction to the highest degree and Always putting customer needs first.



Position Statement:

Reliable Pest Solutions has been in business in this area for more than 80 years, (since 1938) and will continue to be. We are local, family owned and operated.

All of our Technicians are thoroughly trained, tested and licensed as required in the states we operate. Our Technicians receive updated training every four weeks. We are prepared with full time staff, ready and able to take care of any pest problems you should have within 24 hours.

Pest Control and more importantly providing “Pest Solutions” for your home and business is all we do. We make our living and live where you live; protecting your health and property against pests.

We practice and adhere to a strict zero tolerance policy for drug and alcohol use in and around our workplace and on your property as well. We background check every potential employee to help protect you and your business.

We further protect you by providing proof of insurance: Liability 5 million dollars, Automobile 1 million dollars and Workmen’s Compensation 1 million dollars. We can also name your organization on our policy as an additional insured if you so desire and provide a certificate of insurance for your records

We actively participate in area charities and organizations such as Chambers of Commerce, Kiwanis, Rotary, American Red Cross, American Cancer Association, Salvation Army and others.

We employ a full-time Board-Certified Entomologist and are the only company in the area to do so.

We are licensed by the states of Illinois, Missouri, and Iowa. We belong to the State Association of Pest Management in these states and the National Pest Management Association which provides pest solutions throughout the United States.

We have received certification by the National Pest Management Association as a Quality Pro Company. This certifies we exercise an extremely high standard in regard to hiring, background checks, training, and procedures. This is the “good housekeeping seal of approval” in the pest control industry. We are the only local company to receive this certification from the association. We have also received the “Quality Pro in Schools” award further showing our commitment to safe, professional application in schools. We have also been awarded the “Green Pro” status from NPMA certifying our commitment to safe, effective, low impact pest solutions.

We are a full service, full time company. We promise and deliver to a level to exceed your expectations.

You can Rely on Reliable. Protecting your Health, Property, and the Environment since 1938

**Mike Scholes
President: Reliable Pest Solutions
Licensed Pest Solution Provider.**