

Lien Transportation Company is a family owned business, today, operating under the ownership and management of its fourth generation.

In 1916, M.E. Lien Construction was started by Martin Lien, his wife Julia and their six sons: Raymond, Melvin, Harold, Emil, John, and Paul. Their work began in South Dakota, North Dakota, and Minnesota grading and graveling roads by horse power and massive scrapers.

From 1949 to 1977, Emil, his wife Josephine and their three sons: Robert, Joe, and Tom operated E.L. Lien and Sons, Inc. The company worked in all phases of construction including grading, gravel, and asphalt and concrete paving. Their projects covered a five-state area and included everything from highways to power plants to airports. The family business moved to Aberdeen, SD, in 1968 and continued their coverage area while establishing their business locally.

In 1977, Joe and his wife, Edith, formed Lien Transportation Company. Today, two of their sons, Trevor and Jason (the fourth generation) are operating the business and taking it forward to new levels of service. Based in Aberdeen, SD, Lien Transportation specializes in full-service site work and asphalt paving ranging from construction of major highways, airport runways, new building sites, parking lots and driveways, both commercial and residential. Their services also include asphalt and aggregate production and sales, demolition, and snow removal.

Operating for over 100 years, the Company is a multi-million-dollar corporation. Lien Transportation has a reputation of superior workmanship and service; and takes pride in its excellent safety record and a great team of employees.