

December 1, 2001

Florida Highway Patrol
6300 N.W. 13th Street
Gainesville, Florida 32653

Troop B - Commander:

Dear Sir:

Just a brief note to advise you and thank two of your Officers whom were so very helpful and courteous during our problem with our 38ft. Motor Home.

On Saturday, November 10 we had just pulled out of the rest area in Gainesville, heading south on I-75 when we heard this loud bang. I immediately pulled off on the shoulder and stopped. Got out and started inspecting the coach to see what had happened, when Troopers Roux and Strickland pulled off beside me and behind me. A door panel covering my inverter compartment flew open and slammed up against the side of the coach, tearing sheet metal screws off a strip covering my right rear dual tires. I was unaware this had knocked out my tail lights, thus the reason the Trooper was going to pull me over.

I got out my tools to start screwing the fender back on and some bungee cords to tie down the panel doors, when I discovered I did not have long enough screws to do the job.

Trooper's Roux and Strickland saw I was in trouble and immediately come to my aid.

Not only did they have the screws to fix my fender but also had the proper screw driver extension to do the job properly.

After we got everything put back together, I went to start the coach and it would not start.

Well it's a long story from there, the Troopers, Officers Roux and Strickland

aided in getting me a wrecker and I was towed into Ocala, FL. for repairs.

Please tell Trooper Roux and Strickland the reason it would not start is because a simple thing like a fuse fell out of the inverter.


These two Officers helped me in every way possible to try and start the Motor Home but to no avail.

These two Troopers were very busy working the holiday weekend to take so much of their time to make sure my wife and I were okay, safe and had piece of mind before they left us
My wife and I will never forget their kindness.

They are a real credit to their profession, that of a State Highway Patrolman.
GOD BLESS THEM.

Regards,

Bill Allen

Bill & Betty Allen


Cc: Trooper Roux
Trooper Strickland