

Logan Ball

Tradeswomen Heroes Award

Winner - June 2024



Level of Experience: Apprentice

Years in Trade: 4 years

Union: Ironworkers

Local: 549

City: Grafton, WV

Bio

Logan Ball is a 27-year-old from Pruntytown, West Virginia. She is the mother of a 7-year-old little boy and a 3rd-year apprentice out of local 549. She received her SMAW welding certification in the second year of her apprenticeship and hopes to receive more. She graduated from Grafton HS and graduated in 3 years for welding technology and machine shop from Taylor County Technical Center, top in my class.

Logan started welding and cutting with a torch at a young age, when her dad hauled in junk on the weekends. Her dad gave her a piece of metal and the stinger to her grandfather's almost 40-year-old Lincoln buzzbox. This is how she learned to weld. Having him give me the ambition to weld and being no stranger to hard work growing up, it's no surprise the person she has become. "I don't consider myself any different than anyone else. Everyone has dreams and aspirations. Everyone has to make a living. I am just following my dreams, showing my son he can do anything he sets his mind to, and making a living doing what I truly enjoy"



Why Logan Was Nominated

The JATC for Ironworkers Local 549, Wheeling, WV nominates Logan Ball a 3rd year apprentice for the Tradeswomen Heroes Award. Ms. Ball has shown us her ability to learn the ironworking trade, whether it's in the classroom or the shop area. She understands what being a union member means and is proud to be one.

She is our first woman that passed her one-inch 7018 unlimited plate certification as a 2nd year apprentice. She has been on major bridge jobs on I-79 and every one of our contractors that hire her want her back when they are in our jurisdiction. Whether it's reinforcing or structural, her work ethic has set her apart from her peers - man or woman. She is an extremely hard worker and that is why we the Board feel confident to nominate her for this award.