

Riders Full Name : Joseph Michael Ratz

Age: 29

Years at the Burg: 20 years this summer

Hometown: Lawrenceburg, IN

School: South Dearborn High School / 5 yrs of the I.B.E.W Electrical Apprenticeship



Work: Employed at BANTA Electric thru I.B.E.W Local 22

Racing Highlights: Wow, Well over 100 main events as an amateur racer, I use to keep track lol. Not sure the years but was Lawrenceburg Motorcycle Speedway track champion in the 125cc,250cc, Open A and 450 Pro classes. Haven't raced a full season to do it again. 2004 or 2005 Lawrenceburg Motorcycle speedway awarded me with most improved rider. Haven't seen it passed on since! I could think of a couple of kids that would qualify for this award as well! Have qualified for about a dozen main events in the grand national circuit.

2010 - 10th place Gas City National

2011- 3rd Daytona National

2015 or 2016 (can't remember which) Mid America Speedway Open Class Champion

2017 Won two big money races at Mid America Speedway

Future Plans: Future Plans are to just keep enjoying turning left! All I can do look forward to now a days is to be a mentor for the younger kids and keep beating them as long as I can!

2018 Goals: WIN RACES, HAVE FUN, PUT SKIDD MARKS ON ZAKK PALMERS NUMBER PLATE.

What got me into racing: My Step Dad Sean Duffy & Mom saddled me up on a 87 cr80 just to see what would happen. First time I races, I won and fell in love from and the rest is history. I honestly don't think I lost but a couple races my first season.

My Favorite racer: JEREMIAH DUFFY / MY LIL BROTHER

Mustard or ketchup: Barbecue

Sponsors: S&D Racing, Western Hills Honda – Yamaha, Mom, Sean Duffy, My Grandpa, My side Kick NATASHA HEMINGWAY & MY WALLET, Barry Benkert, JR.





