

Heroes never die...

A year has passed since the tragic death of Volodymyr Kyselov an irreconcilable loss for MDEM and Damen teams. On the night of March 19, 2022, the russian occupiers attacked with missiles the barracks at the deployment point of the 79th separate airborne assault brigade of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in Mykolaiv. More than 50 bodies of soldiers were recovered from the rubble of the building. Volodymyr Kyselov, MDEM employee, team lead of R&D department was among dead soldiers. He was an extraordinary person, experienced and talented at the same time, a sensitive person and a unique specialist. Volodymyr devoted his professional life to the implementation of innovative technologies, became one of the leading world-class expert specialists and the face of MDEM, known and respected by a wide circle of Damen Group experts.

Volodymyr Kyselov started his professional career in the company in 2007 as a design engineer. In 2011 he joined the ranks of strength department, where he worked until the start of the war in Ukraine in 2022. While working at MDEM, he showed himself as a creative person and an extraordinary specialist. He provided training on the use of Siemens NX software for strength, vibration and stability calculations of marine vessel structures not only to young specialists in MDEM, but also in other divisions of Damen abroad.

A true patriot of his country, who in the first days of the war joined the army as a volunteer to defend the country from the enemy without



waiting for a conscription, a loving husband and father of two children, a reliable friend and comrade, a talented musician. The tragic death of Volodymyr has become a hefty hit and an insurmountable loss for all of us.

On the anniversary of the tragedy, a memorial to the fallen soldiers was erected on the territory of the barracks. There is a photo of our Volodymyr Kyselov among the heroes, whose bright memory will blossom in our hearts forever. The opening of the memorial was attended by relatives of the victims, representatives of the city authorities, and military personnel who remembered the tragic morning and shared their sadness. The soldiers who died that night were mentioned by name. A military chaplain conducted a mourning prayer. Colleagues of Volodymyr from MDEM also attended the opening of the memorial, expressing deep respect for the victims and condolences to their relatives.

Eternal memory and Glory to the Heroes who died for our free, independent Ukraine! Eternal Memory to all Ukrainians, who were killed in the war! Glory to the Heroes! Glory to Ukraine! **«**