

## Val-Matic Celebrates 60 Years of Innovation and Excellence



2026 marks a major milestone for Val-Matic Valve & Mfg. Corp. — 60 years of leadership in valve technology and unmatched service to the water, wastewater, industrial, and building markets. From a humble start in 1966 with a single product line to becoming an industry-recognized manufacturer known the world over, Val-Matic's story is one of innovation, growth, and dedication to customers.

Val-Matic was founded in 1966 by Andrew Nuter and Ted Makowan, beginning with just one product: the Silent Check Valve. Within a year, intensive development led to a second product line: air valves, which would grow to become our signature offering and help establish the brand as North America's leading supplier of air valves.

Over the decades, we expanded our product portfolio to meet evolving industry needs, introducing innovative solutions such as:



- [Dual Disc® Check Valves](#) (1980) — enhancing flow performance and reliability.
- [Tilted Disc® Check Valves](#) (1981) — a breakthrough in check valve design.
- [Swing-Flex® Check Valves](#) (1986) and [Cam-Centric® Plug Valves](#) (1987) — extending options for flow control.
- [American-BFV® Butterfly Valves](#) (1999) — dependable quarter-turn shut-off for water and wastewater systems with proven performance and long service life.
- [Surgebuster® Products](#) (2003) — engines of preventive protection against water hammer and surges.
- [FloodSafe® Inflow Preventer](#) (2005) — a first-of-its-kind solution designed to prevent contamination entry through air valve outlets.
- [Ener-G® AWWA Rubber Seated Ball Valves](#) (2006) — a highly advanced quarter-turn valve engineered for demanding service conditions.
- [Resilite Combination Air Valve](#) (2024) – Automatically releases and admits air in pipelines to maintain efficient, reliable system operation in an economical and lightweight material.



In addition to new products, Val-Matic also expanded its manufacturing footprint, building a modern facility in Elmhurst, Illinois, and later adding a second manufacturing and R&D facility in Addison, Illinois, to support larger valves and advanced testing capabilities.

Quality has always been a cornerstone of Val-Matic’s success. Our company achieved [ISO 9001:2015 certification](#), reflecting an ongoing commitment to quality management systems across design, manufacturing, and service operations.



Val-Matic actively participates in industry standards organizations and technical committees, helping shape the codes and specifications that govern safe and effective valve performance worldwide.

From the first Silent Check Valve in 1966 to six decades of advanced products engineered to support critical infrastructure around the globe, Val-Matic has built a legacy of trust, reliability, and technical excellence. As we celebrate our 60th anniversary, our commitment remains clear: continue innovating, serving customers with distinction, and raising the bar for valve technology well into the future.