



## A LAND SURVEYOR FROM YESTERYEAR

Thamsanqa was among the first group of students to register during the early days of MUT. He trained as a Survey Technician at MUT from 1986 to 1988 while working as a chief industrial technician for the department of Local and Traditional Affairs.

## Thamsanqa Phakathi - Class of '85

He is one of a few that hold those memories of MUT when it still had just under 100 students and Umlazi Township was not yet an economic hub with the shopping malls, health facilities, schools and other infrastructure that it boasts today.

Thamsanqa is a member of the South African Geomatics Council, is a qualified engineering surveyor and a professional land surveyor

who has dedicated 35 years to the surveying profession. He currently works for the KZN Department of Rural Development and Land Reform as the Deputy Surveyor-General. Thamsanqa is dedicated to land management, administration and the preservation of up-to-date land information. His contribution and experience benefit a range of people where he facilitates service delivery, especially previously disadvantaged communities.