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Most American boys grew up with dreams of someday owning a Hemi Cuda, GTO or possibly a Shelby Mustang. Not Matt Wilson, his dream became a reality the day he purchased this red, white and blue patriotic ground pounder.

In the summer of 1981, I had just turned 16 years old and my parents knew this would be the last summer that our whole family would be together as one. My older brother was 18 and starting his own life.

Since we could all take turns driving, they decided we would go on a 10-day trip through the mid-west. We lived in WV, so it was a long drive just to get to Indiana. From that point on it was great, we got to see everything you would want to see.

My family were all car nuts and we would stop at all the old car museums along the way. Most of these old car museums were no more than old barns filled with old junk cars, but they all looked pretty cool to us young impressionable lads.

The stop we made that would spark my dream, was at the Pioneer Auto Museum in Murdo, South Dakota.

There was one car that I had never seen before and it stuck out like a sore thumb. It was an A scheme, Hurst SC/Rambler. It just looked ready for a fight. I could see myself driving that car around my home town and getting into trouble. Well, the rest of the trip was great, but I never got that SC/Rambler out of my head!

If you get the chance to visit there, you will the very same SC/Rambler is still in the museum to this day.





I got to live out my life long dream the day I purchased my Scrambler. The car had been close to my home town throughout its entire history, complete with documentation from the first day of delivery to the dealer ship, early racing history and even a spare set of original nos decals. A dream come true!

These cars have a history of long time dedicated owners and they didn't change The previous owner, Bob Crayton wouldn't sell the car to just anyone, it had to be someone who would enjoy it as much as he had for the past 31 years.

I couldn't have know at the age of 16 how much these cars would be a part of my life today, but I did a pretty good job of imagining how much fun it would be to drive one. My family and I are having the time of our life with this car.

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I drive this original unrestored SC/Rambler every opportunity I get. Often driving long distances to attend shows and be a part of the muscle car scene and sometimes getting caught in the rain.

I was asked if I would drive my Hurst SC/Rambler from Uniontown up to the Flight 93 memorial in Shanksville Pa. I was more then glad to do this as I have been wanting to go. I can't put into words how that place will make you feel but it sure made me proud to be an American.

I have spent much of my spare time taking friends for rides, showing off the factory cross ram intake manifold and talking to other great people on the muscle car scene about the history of these cars.

I would eventually make contact with Joie Vaughan, a lady from BC Canada who owned an A scheme SC/Rambler and also an AMC purest who shares as much enthusiasm for these cars as myself. We decided to give something to the hobby of muscle cars by creating a great web site filled with valuable honest information to support the restoration and preservation of these rare factory race cars.

Over the next few years we became good friends and our combined efforts would eventually found the Official 1512 Hurst SC/Rambler Registry, know today as the largest Scrambler community in the world with well over 200 documented surviving SC/Ramblers and still counting.

These very rare cars now one of the top 10 muscle cars of all times and interestingly also one of the most underrated muscle cars in history.

For more details visit our website and check out some of the other Scramblers that are still around today and some that sadly are not.

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