

MEMBER CAR(S) OF THE MONTH

Robert Dishner's 1946 Ford Tudor Sedans

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In 1955 a young high school senior had a 1931 Ford Model A. Unfortunately, it was damaged when two cars collided in front of the family home, and one bounced into his pride and joy. It was pushed into the garage for later repairs. But that part of the story is for another day.



His replacement car was a black 1946 Ford 2 door Super Deluxe sedan. This is the car he took to college and used while dating his future wife. In time they bought a new suburban home on the edge of Nashville that had a 2-car garage in the basement. That car just stayed in that new garage stall as the newer cars were purchased and the family expanded. It even made the move to a new family home fifteen years later.



Fast forward forty years and the car is still sitting in that garage it moved to in 1977. Nostalgia was running strong, and it was time to investigate restoration. Robert contracted local chapter president, Danny Driskell for help. Unfortunately, that original car had deteriorated beyond the value of restoration cost. As an alternative, a replacement car, a blue '46, was found to be a fun driver car.



As many of you appreciate, a driver car is not always as perfect as hoped. In this case, a random post in Hemmings was just the temptation needed for a second purchase. This burgundy red car was purchased from a couple in Wisconsin who had owned it for many years, and it was fully restored but retained its original upholstery. Robert is the fourth owner of this award-winning car.

Currently both cars are sitting side by side. No doubt sharing stories of their shared heritage.