

Rain, Sleet, or Snow.. Postman with a need for Speed

Neither Rain, Sleet, or Snow could detour the mail route or this mailman. Being a Postman, gave Bernard Larson the opportunity to see a lot of things and talk with a lot of people. But no matter how slow the mail might be, this mailman was always looking to go faster. Bernie always wanted to go faster, and mostly faster than his friends. Diana, his daughter, recalls that they always had a family vehicle and he drove another car that was always a little faster. She can recall that they owned a Ventura, but this once one of many cars while growing up. There was also an assortment of Tri-Five Chevrolets but it was the purchase of a new 1967 Pontiac GTO Convertible with a 400HO and a 4 speed that got him hooked on Pontiacs. He drove that car fast all the time and eventually traded it for a 1970 Pontiac Ram Air IV Judge, brand new off the showroom floor. He loved that car and drove everywhere till he later sold it, but that Pontiac Speed and power had him hooked. Bernie inherited some money from a relative about the same time that the movie "Smokey and the Bandit" came out. That was it, he was hooked; he had found his new favorite car. Bernie went and bought a new 1973 Super Duty TA and that was the one that replaced that Judge. He started to buy any Firebird and Trans Am that he came across. He had built a building on an acreage and started to fill it up. He loved the 10th Anniversary Trans Ams and there are several in his collection. Bernard all spent many hours at swap meets and auction to find his coveted Trans Am and Firebird cars and parts. He didn't like the internet, but found his treasures the old fashion way with papers, word of mouth, and driving around. He became a definition of a "true hoarder" of Pontiac parts. Bernard had 2 children and they remember having all that horsepower around, but it was his daughter that the "car gene" turned up in. Bernie became sick and soon needed some extra care, his daughter came back and helped him get things in order. They would talk cars and soon Bernie realized that his daughter too had his love of Pontiacs. She herself, has Pontiacs in her own collection. Mr. Larson passed away and now his Pontiac hoard will be sold June 12th, 2021 at auction at his acreage.

VanDerBrink Auctions, LLC will offer the Larson collection of Trans Ams, Firebirds, and a large assortment of Pontiac parts at auction at No Reserve. The auction will be live onsite with online bidding for the cars. If you are wanting parts from the huge assortment of parts, you'll have to be in person. There is an assortment of Pontiac 400, 455, 350, and some 389 motors, heads, and more. There is also rims for the Trans Ams, interior parts, and more. The auction will start off with the vehicles and then move on to the parts. The vehicles are an assortment of original drivers, older restore, and project cars. VanDerBrink Auctions has PHS papers for most of the inventory and are in the catalog. The vehicles range from a rare 1974 Super Duty Trans Am with the famed 455 V8 motor, to 10th Anniversary Trans Ams, and an assortment of other Trans Ams and Firebirds. The entire inventory and a video walk through can be viewed at www.vanderbrinkauctions.com . So, if you're looking to go "Eastbound and Down" make sure to attend the Pontiac Horde Auction June 12th, 2021 in Tonganoxie, Kansas. For more info on this auction and more from the 2021 line up, go to www.vanderbrinkauctions.com .

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