

## Reunited after 35 Years

by Terry Brim

When I bought my '70 vette in July 1982, the first thing I did was a title search to trace the history of the car. I was successful in tracing the ownership of the car back to the second owner (As it turned out, I was the 5th owner of the car). When I contacted the 2nd owner in West Milton, Ohio, all he could tell me was that he had bought the car from a guy in Dayton in the spring of 1974, at that time, he thought the car had about 30K miles on it.

Unfortunately, he couldn't remember the guys name and further searches in the Montgomery and Green County license bureau's lead to a dead ends.

When I joined NCRS and started showing the car, I made up a window plaque showing all of the previous owners of the car with their names, addresses, mileage, when the car was bought and purchase price.....all except for the first owner. For the original owner I simple put unknown.....Fast forward to the Kettering Labor day car show this past year. Because of the display location we had in 2004, I almost didn't enter the car this year. However, at the last minute decided to

display the car. Since I had already made plans that day with my wife and daughter, I arrived early, set the car up for display, complete with the owner history plaque, and left for the day expecting to return that afternoon.



When I did return, Jerry

"do we have a surprise for you!" Knowing the two of them, my immediate thoughts were that something had happened to the car while I was gone. When asked, they both assured me that it was something I was going to like.....little did I know.

They had found the original owner of my car...more accurately, the original owner had found my car!

Ken Scott had been at the show with his wife and Daughter and her family.

### Owner History

Owner #1: Unknown, car believed to have been purchased in Dayton, Ohio summer, 1970.

Owner #2: Conn Hurst, 5630 Jay Rd. West Milton, Ohio (Ph 513-667-4942) bought car from original owner in spring 1974 for \$3200. Car had 29K miles at the time.

Owner #3: David Moore, 2307 Fine Dr. Dayton, Ohio bought car from Conn Hurst on 12 July 1974 for \$3450. Car had 34K miles at the time.

Owner #4: John Naylor, 8822 Jamaica Rd. Germantown, Ohio (Ph 513-859-7851) bought car from David Moore on 14 March 1978 for \$3800. Car had 35294 miles at the time.

Owner #5: Terry Brim, 507 Woodcove Way, Beavercreek, Ohio (Ph 513-429-0281) bought car from John Naylor on 22 July 1982 for \$6600. Car had 49314 miles at the time.

Michaels and Terry Buchanan were in their usual spots watching over their babies. As I pulled up a chair, they both had a grin on their face and said

He had seen the corvettes on display and because he had once owned one, Ken asked his family if they would mind walking over

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and looking at the corvettes on display. According to Ken, as he approached the cars, he turned to his daughter and said "see that maroon '70, I used to own one like that. In fact, I had it when I was dating your mother.

As Ken approached the car he told me it looked very familiar even though the luggage rack was gone and it had different wheels on it, the car looked exactly like his old vette. When Ken began to read the owners history, he couldn't believe his eyes. The guy that Ken had sold the car to way back in

1974 had a very unusual name, Conn Hurst and he was from West Milton, Ohio! Ken knew right then and there that this was his old vette.

He had special ordered the car bought the car from what was then Ray Bryant Chevrolet on Brown Street in Dayton. The car was delivered in July 1970.

Needless to say, the rest is history. Thanks to Jerry and Terry, they were able to get Ken's name and phone number. The history of the car is now complete. I have updated the previous owners plaque and will proudly

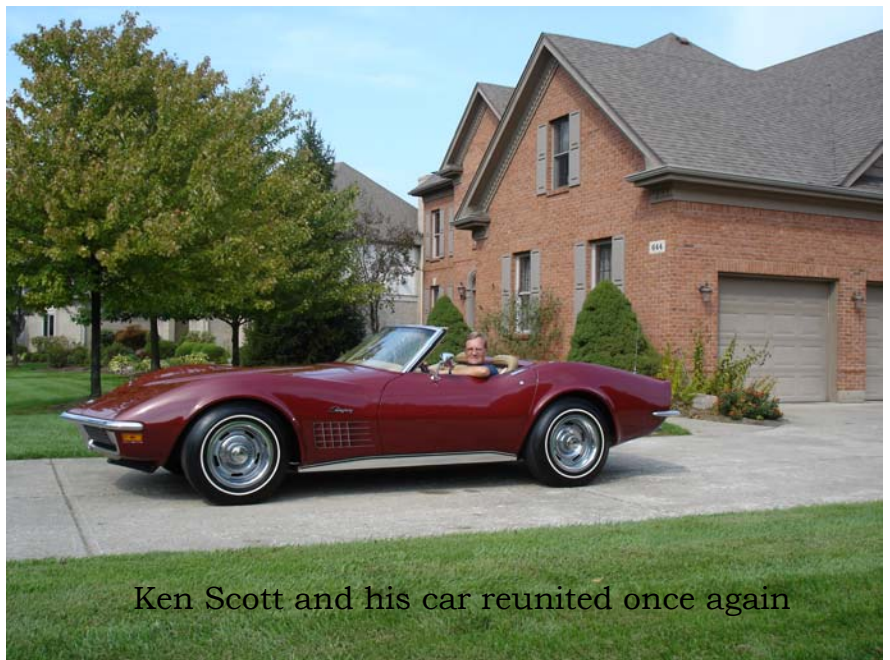
display it at all future car Shows. Of course Ken wanted to stop by the house and take a closer look at the car, maybe drive it around the block for old times sake, take a few pictures and see if I was interested in selling him the car.

Needless to say, I was very accommodating on all but the last request. Since I still had the original wheels and had purchased a set of original tires for judging, I put those back on the car prior to Ken's visit.

Thanks for getting it all started Ken!!



First and Last Owners



Ken Scott and his car reunited once again