

## *This Child Will Not Leave The Nest*

Terry and Sandy Peterson bought their 1972 Dodge Charger SE brand new in 1972 at Duke Tufty Dodge in Sioux Falls, and have kept the car in pristine condition since.

The original vinyl top and interior still look like they did in 1972, and the engine compartment is very clean. The original 400 c.i. engine has never been apart, nor out of the car. The original AM radio with the optional speaker in the rear seat still works, he noted. However, the most expensive option on the car, the air conditioning, is not presently working, but he hopes to correct that. The unrestored car has just simply been well taken care of.

"We've pretty much kept it nice," Terry said.

The only major improvement they've done is one repaint of the original color.

When they bought the car, it was Sandy's daily driver, while Terry had a company car for his transportation. However, right from the start they tried to keep the wear and tear on their Charger under control, using the company car whenever they could, including the family vacations.

In 1980 the car went into storage, although it wasn't neglected.

"I drove it once in a while to keep it loose," Terry said.

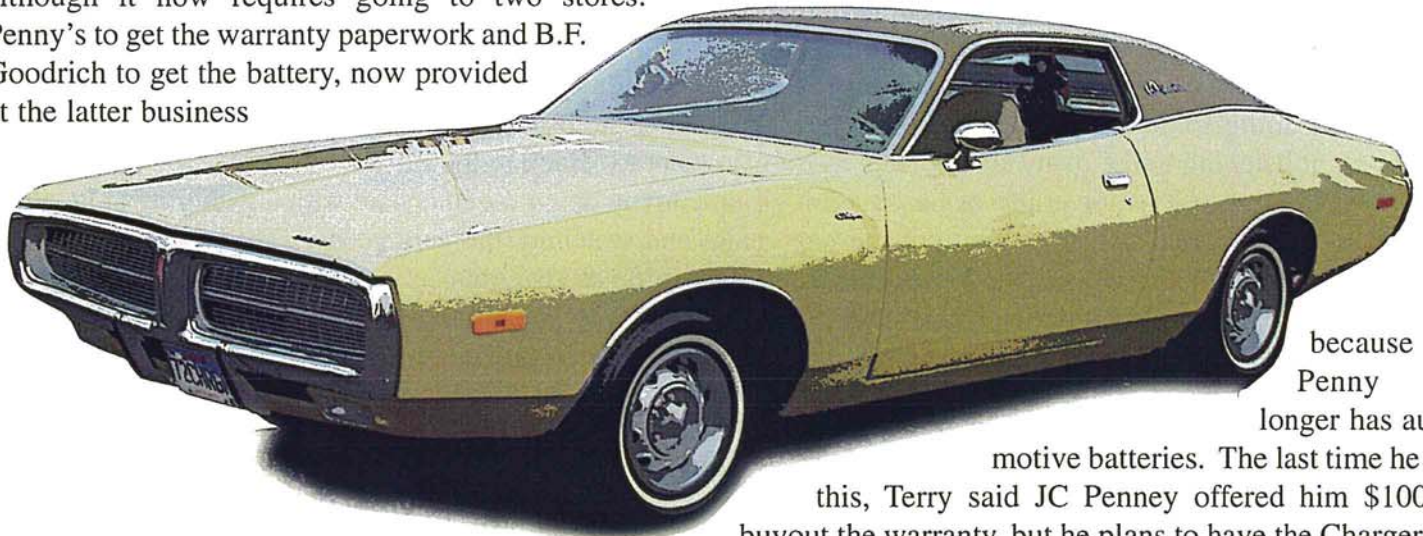
Then in 1994 it came back out of storage and was cleaned up. Since then it has become their recreation vehicle, taking them not on camp-outs but to those old car cruises and shows that are more fun than staring at camp fires.

There are some advantages to keeping a car for a long period of time, and Terry saw a good one when it became time to replace the original battery. He bought one at JC Penny, back when that store still had an automotive department, because it came with a lifetime warranty. Terry hasn't had to buy a new battery for the car since, although it now requires going to two stores:

Penny's to get the warranty paperwork and B.F.

Goodrich to get the battery, now provided

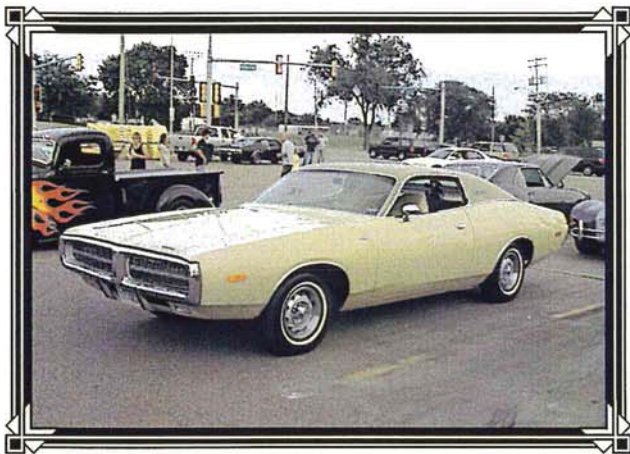
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because JC Penny no longer has automotive batteries. The last time he did this, Terry said JC Penney offered him \$100 to buyout the warranty, but he plans to have the Charger for

many more years, so he refused and insisted on the promised new battery – again. They don't like it, but they're honoring the 30-year-old warranty, he said.

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Of course, there are some maintenance improvements that become necessary over time besides the occasional battery.

"I just finally broke down and put dual exhaust on it," Terry said. "I put Dynaflores (mufflers) on it so it makes a little noise."

After owning the car for 32 years, it has become part of the family, and Terry and Sandy expect it to be one family member that stays in the nest with them.

"It's kind of the family pet now," Terry said.



## Shazing The Sorrow

The Great Plains Streetrodders offer condolences to Jim & Jayne DeBoer at the loss of their grandson.

## Thanks Goes Out

A special thank you to The Greatplains Streetrodders for the memorial gift, cards, thoughts and prayers at the loss of our Mother / Mother In Law , Mildred Patterson. We find strength in your faith and comfort in God's love & peace knowing we have friends like you. Mike and Lori Paulson

## Classified ads

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## Not Getting Any Better

A man was just waking up from anesthesia after surgery, and his wife was sitting by his side. His eyes fluttered open and he said, "You're beautiful." Then he fell asleep again. His wife had never heard him say that before, so she stayed by his side.

A few minutes later his eyes fluttered open and he said, "You're cute."

The wife was disappointed because instead of "beautiful," it was now "cute." She asked, "What happened to beautiful?"

The man replied, "The drugs are wearing off."

