

**Our '67 GTO**  
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Our 1967 GTO Sport Coupe was born April 1967 in Kansas City, MO. It was first sold in Rolla, MO. Many years later, the car ended up in the Hedrick family, along with a 1969 and 1970 GTO and a few others. Needless to say, the car was pushed to the back burner many times. After moving with us to several houses, we finally started working on the '67 after moving into our current home. This would be the first long body car we had done. The learning curve was huge. Along with an assembly manual, a few parts cars and an Ames catalog, we put the car together. With more than a few setbacks and the help of friends we got the car on the road 10 years after we brought it home, with a few changes to make it more driver friendly and to make it ours.



Since the car was finished, it has traveled all around the country, normally in style, in an enclosed trailer. Some people might not like this, but it always has a garage anywhere we go and it certainly makes the clean up a lot easier. Traveling in a GTO with kids, and all that they bring, is not fun. Been there, done that. Our GTO is packed full of memories with our kids. It has traveled to countless GTO Nationals, including Colorado, Ohio and Detroit. It has cruised Woodward Avenue with my dad and my son. It has been cruising around town with my son and grandsons. There is nothing like grabbing gears and that look from Tammy, over and over again. Our GTO is a time machine.

The pampered life our GTO lives today is certainly well deserved. You might ask why? Our GTO is certainly a great looking car, it will always be a great ride whether on Route 66, Woodward Avenue or just a short ride on a back road in Jefferson County. It gives us the feeling of being a part of something GREAT. It stirs passion and the joys of my teenage years of running with my friends and their GTO's. Oh, the days of being young and carefree in a fast car with a hot chick.

So today, some things have changed. I'm not so young and carefree, but the car and the hot girl by my side still stirs my passion. Our GTO has certainly been a car of joy for our grandkids. They love riding in it and going to car shows and they are, at times, just as excited as I am about our GTO. It can be said that our '67 is a part of our family. GTO's have always been and will continue to be "The Great One" for the Hedrick family, young and old.

