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A monthly publication filled with industry news, maintenance and safety tips, upcoming events, special coupons, and more!



Memorable Family Cars...

Over the years we have watched many famous TV families drive off on their signature car, truck, van or even a bus. Here are a few of those family vehicles you may remember.

Above, the **Clampett Family's Jalopy** was based on a cut-down 1921 Oldsmobile Model 46 Roadster powered by a four-cylinder, 43 horsepower motor. When it was new from the factory, the touring car was priced at \$1,445, and was considered a medium-range priced car. It was gifted to the Ralph Foster Museum by the show's producer Paul Henning.



The **Munster's Koach** was designed and built by the legendary George Barris (famous for creating the first Batmobile), the Koach was highly customized from 3 Model T bodies and measured 18 feet long. The six-door touring roadster was powered by a 289 Ford Cobra engine from a 1966 Mustang GT. The Koach was built in 21 days for \$18,000



The **Addams Family's Limo** was a 1933 Packard V-12. The Packard was a luxury car introduced by Detroit's Packard Car Company in 1899. It introduced multiple innovations including the modern steering wheel and remained the highlight of American luxury automobiles even through the Great Depression.



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The Brady Bunch Station Wagon was a 1971 Plymouth Satellite Wagon. All the Brady cars in the TV

show were either Plymouth or Chryslers due to an agreement between the car company and the heads of the show.

The **Griswold's Family Truckster** was a heavily modified 1979 Ford LTD Country Squire



wagon done by none other than George Barris. If you remember, Clark actually ordered an Antarctic Blue Super Sports Wagon with CB and optional Rally Fun Pack, but was talked into this beauty. The final selling line: *"You think you hate it now, but wait until you drive it."*



The Partridge Family's Bus was a 1955 Chevrolet 6800 with Superior Coach body. Specifically, an eight-window with

220-inch wheelbase. The 6700 chassis was shorter with a 194-inch wheelbase and only seven-side windows.

The **Sanford & Son Work Truck** -was a red faded 1951 Ford F1. Remember that funky intro theme song? That was composed by Quincy Jones and was called "The Street Beater".





Car Care Tip of the Month!

When is the last time you checked your battery? Often overlooked, batteries do need to be checked from

time to time. While most automotive batteries are sealed and maintenance free, they do not last forever.

- Check to make sure the battery is properly secured and that the bracket is in good shape.
- Make sure your battery cables are properly secured to the positive and negative terminals.
- Look for any corrosion on the terminals that can be cleaned, but may be a sign of other issues.
- Have the voltage tested to ensure the battery is in a good operating range.



Did You Know?

The supersonic Concorde jet made its' first trial flight on January 1, 1969.

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The average ice berg weighs 20,000,000 tons.

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The naming of tropical storms and hurricanes officially began in 1953.

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