

An Early Special?

By Bob V.

Those who knew Ted “Teddy” Richardson may have known he grew up near Athens and was always fascinated by King Midgets. I believe he built the pictured car for his daughters before he’d seen a King Midget in person. He looked me up in California and met Denny Jasper at an Athens Jam. If you’ve seen his restoration work on King Midgets, you’ll know he was a real craftsman. Ardith sent this message:

Julie put this on Facebook for “National Sibling Day”. This is the wooden car that Teddy built when we were in Boston. He started it at Edwards and had the movers bring it to Boston after they told him to take out the engine. It was shipped as a “kids toy”. We trailed it back to California after four years, as it was complete, and drove it for several years in the desert behind the Edwards Air Force base hospital. This amazingly enough looks like a King Midget...who knew? ■

