

After returning to California, my husband drove the Sprite for a few years. Later in the mid 90's the new state smog requirements were passed making it impossible to drive the "Little Red Bitch" legally so she had to be put in storage. Terry Cowan, owner of The Toy Shop, agreed to store her for us for an extended period of time. Later, the laws were finally changed to allow vintage cars back on the California roads. A full restoration was scheduled and took years and many dollars to complete. To this day, I still don't know the final cost to make her look better than new.

You can imagine the excitement of my husband when Terry proudly delivered her back to him May 26, 2014. He was ecstatic to see his Sprite running and his again. North County San Diego turned out to be a perfect setting to enjoy driving on the back roads mostly with the top up and windows down.

Sadly, in 2009, my husband was diagnosed with multiple myeloma, an incurable blood cancer. He has had a long partially successful battle on this health adventure. However, this year the cancer has become chemotherapy resistant and more aggressive. It has taken away my husband's ability to drive his "Little Red Bitch." Choosing to give her new life, he has made the decision to sell her to someone who will continue to love her and drive her again. There are more happy memories waiting for the next right owner.

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