



[Lane Fedoruk's 1979 Lil Red Express Truck](#) I have always loved muscle cars from the 60's, 70's, and 80's. I have spent many hours looking at car ads in both the U.S. and Canada. I have an extreme fondness for the Dodge Lil Red Express Trucks. This is due to the fact that a friend of mine from high school has a 1979 Lil Red Express truck, which he got brand new in the fall of 1979 for his 16th birthday, from his Dad. I had no idea back then that Dodge even made such trucks. My friend still has his truck to this day. I had just bought a brand new 1979 Ford F150 Ranger Lariat that summer and thought that maybe one day I would buy a Lil Red Express truck. Fast forward to 2014. I had spent the previous 10-15 years looking at ads for the trucks. Every time I found a decent truck I would call the owners and find out that they had already sold the trucks. In September of 2014, I was checking ads on Kijiji Canada and found a very nice 1979 Lil Red Express. It was located in Palgrave, Ontario, Canada. This is a couple of hours north of Toronto, Ontario. I called the owner and found out the truck was still for sale. I was very interested and excited and told the owner I would fly out there to see the truck. I booked some holidays from work and flew out there next week. The 2nd owner of the truck took me for a ride in the Lil Red Express truck. The truck looked great, ran and drove great. I made an offer to the owner and he accepted. The 2nd owner told me he had owned the truck for 5 years. He said the first owner told him that he had done a frame up restoration about five years before the second owner bought the truck and that the truck had its original motor, glass, and interior. He said he had the front and rear bumpers and wheels all around re-chromed. He said it had only been repainted once in the truck's lifetime. The 1st and 2nd owners of the truck, along with myself have never driven the truck in the winter and the truck has always been in heated garages and or shops all its life. The truck had 110,000 kilometres when I bought it. I rented a truck and car hauler and brought the truck back home (4000 kms west of Toronto). I got my purchase home, had my truck inspected by a certified mechanic who informed me that the truck was in excellent mechanical condition. I completed the truck with the correct decals, pinstriping and tailgate chains. I also built and installed a storage box for the back of the pickup bed. I have owned my Lil Red Express truck for 11 years now, and have gone to many car shows in my home province, winning many awards and trophies. Every time I get behind the wheel of my truck feels like the first time all over again. I would like to thank Rita Backes, the Social Director for NALRETO, and the group for giving me the honour and privilege of sharing my story and pictures of a 1979 Dodge Lil Red Express Truck.
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