

Ferrari



The Alan Boe Gallery



375 Mille Miglia Cabriolet ch. no. 0488MM specially built for King Leopold of Belgium, owned by Wayne Golomb, Illinois.

166 Stabilimenti Farina Coupe built in 1950 ch. no. 041S, owned by Glenn Hanke, Wisconsin.



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Scaglietti bodied 250 GTO finished second overall and first in GT class at Le Mans in 1962, owned by Y Hayashi, Japan.

Early 1962 250 GTE 2+2 ch. no. 3339GT, owned by Alan Boe, Illinois.





Death of a Ferrari

in memoriam 840 HYK

I

It was made for the manager of Crockford's,
Driven in a Monte Carlo Rally,
Owned by a salesman, later, at Maranello's,
A retired colonel, then me.

I couldn't afford that wastrel elegance.
I could scarcely carry
The seven-foot, iron exhaust system
When it cracked, and broke, in Leeds.

I loved its worn, greyed ivory leather,
The petrol-blue of its hide.
It growled along at 104
With its bad brakes, and its leaking seal.

I can hear now that famous,
Belly-flustering Ferrari roar
Bounced back off the wall of the underpass
One night, in Picadilly. It was like the blitz.

All right. So the door was rusted,
Smoke came out of the dashboard wires
The first time I drove it on the M4.
Who cares? It was a major car.

II

It didn't crash on the motorway,
Or blow up at 150.
It didn't burn itself out down a cliff
Taking a bend too fast, in Scotland.

It was ditched in a car-park
On Willesden Green.
So under the Civic Amenities Act 1967
Section No. 20

Removal and Disposal of Abandoned Vehicles
The Transport and Cleansing Division
Of the London Borough of Brent
Will sell it for scrap.

Some other owner is responsible,
The next sucker in the line.
But I feel tonight a remote sense of guilt
Mixed with a tinge of outrage

To think of the rationality of that great engine
Ripped into shreds,
The camshaft smashed, the radial tires torn loose,
And the little dancing horse stripped from the grill.

It had electric windows, in 1961.
It had the original radio, with its aerial.
It could out-accelerate any car in Europe.
They don't come off the floor like that any more.

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