

# A Last Wish Fulfilled

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**T**here was an elderly gentleman who wanted to own a Bentley within his lifetime. His wife rang Malayan Motors to ask how soon it could get a Bentley for him if ordered immediately.

Unfortunately, there were none available in the showroom at the time. It would take at least four months for the factory in Crewe to have one made to order. Ordering one from what was available from existing stock in the United Kingdom would be a quicker proposition which the customer's wife agreed to.

The UK office had four ready-made cars and she confirmed her husband would be most pleased with the model in racing green. She also agreed to airfreighting the car out on the next available flight.

The car was registered upon arrival and delivered to the house on a Monday. The customer was assisted out of bed and stood on his doorstep to take a lasting look at the Bentley. He smiled and asked to be taken out for a ride around the estate. The salesman willingly obliged. The wife told the husband: "The driver's coming next week."

A week later when the salesman informed the customer's wife that the driver was reporting for work the following day, she sadly informed him that her husband had passed away that very morning.

The salesman asked the wife if he had said anything about the car before his death. "No," she assured him, "although he never got to enjoy his new Bentley for long, at least he got to ride in it before he died. And that was his last wish fulfilled."