

Don Lane- Former Hurst Engineer/Designer

Don Lane started his career with Hurst in 1955 making him one of the earliest employees of the company and you can meet him at the Hurst Showcase. He was an engineer and a designer with the company. Don will be here to talk to fans and sign autographs alongside several of his former coworkers.

Don designed the Hydrogate, Lenco shifter and the Quarter Stick. He also designed numerous shifters that never made it into production. In addition to shifters, Don also worked on the first prototype of the Hurst/Olds and he helped with the assembly of the "Smokey and the Bandit" Trans Am. Additionally, Don had the honor of being involved in the early stages of the Jaws of Life concept. Don's career with Hurst ended in 1986 after nearly 30 years. Less than one year later, Hurst was sold to Mr. Gasket.