

2009 Tractor of the Year

1951 Case Model "D"



Cassie Knudsen on her 1951 Case Model "D"

Dennis Knudsen spied this tractor in a farmer's fence row in north central Kansas when he delivered a load of seed to the farmer in 1996. After Dennis got home he called the farmer to see if he would sell it. Dennis paid \$300 for it.

Dennis retired from trucking in the summer of 1997, but it was summer of 1999 when the tractor got put in the shop and restoration began. Dennis and his son, Darren Knudsen, spend the winter working on it with assistance from Granddaughters Cassie Knudsen (12) and Veronica Knudsen (9). Some time during the restoration it became "Cassie's" tractor. By spring of 2000 it was ready to go to tractor shows.