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# TRANSFORMERS: Memories From Childhood



## Synopsis

Do you have a favorite story or memory about the Transformers product line? This heart warming story recounts the memories from childhood that Transformers stirs for one man. How a simple toy can sometimes mean more than just a way to pass the time. Charles Smith tells of his life long friendship with The Transformers and how it was more than just a simple toy for him, journey back to an easier life back in the early 80's as he recounts his chance encounter with the popular toy line and how they changed his life forever. There will NEVER be another phenomenon like the Transformers...

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## Customer Reviews

I can completely relate to the author when it comes to my childhood memories of Transformers. Though his experience is unique, there were several things that sounded just like me when I was growing up in the 80's. For example, finding your Christmas gifts early and checking them out when your parents weren't around. I remember getting two Transformers figures one year (I believe it was 1984). They were Decepticons called Thundercracker (F-15 jet) and Soundwave (Tape

recorder/player). I carefully unwrapped them, removed the figures, played with them for a few minutes, and neatly returned them to their original boxes (making sure to wrap them how they were before so no one would detect my tampering). I absolutely loved the cartoon, and I also read the comics. I used to walk to the local convenient store/gas station to buy the comics. Those were the days when comic books were stacked on a rotating rack, which you almost never see nowadays. My dad, who passed in December of 2011, brought me to my first comic store back in the 80's. I remember wanting to collect back issues (the first several issues in the series) since I hadn't started reading the comic until the second year of publication. Thankfully, the store had all of the issues I wanted, and I currently have the complete Marvel collection (through issue #80). I also have a huge toy collection. Though I have some of the vintage 80's figures, most of my collection consists of re-issues, etc., which I plan to pass down to my son one day. A couple of other things the author mentions that I have fond memories of are those great 80's department stores, as well as the Transformers talk on the school playground. Whether it was Best, Ames, Total, Kay Bee Toys, or Toys-R-Us, I was constantly searching for Transformers figures.

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