



### **Jim Kerr- The Original “Hurst Shifty Doctor”**

Jim Kerr was the original Hurst Shifty Doctor (the guy who installed and repaired Hurst shifters at the races) and we are extremely pleased to announce that he will be attending the Hurst Showcase! Jim will be here to meet the fans, sign autographs, participate in seminars and talk one-on-one about his time with Hurst-Campbell. Jim was involved almost since the beginning and we think he might literally know every major player in the car hobby! We also want to acknowledge Jim as one of the key people who developed the Hurst Nationals.

Jim Kerr attended Drexel University for one year then quit to work for Budd Manufacturing. At the same time, he started a garage with a friend where they would do minor repairs and work on performance cars. It was at this time that Jim was porting a set of Cadillac heads and was asked to deliver them to George Hurst. George was impressed with Jim’s work and asked him to help to complete the project, which turned into a part time job. The early ‘60s was a time of extreme growth for Hurst and Jim quit his job at Budd to work full-time for Hurst becoming the first Hurst Shifty Doctor.