

# 1959 M274 MULE

OWNER: BRAD HOLCOMB

DATE OF DELIVERY: JANUARY, 1959

## GENERAL HISTORY

The M274, officially known as the Mechanical Mule, was developed in the 1950s as a lightweight cargo carrier to replace both the 1/4-ton jeep and 3/4-ton trucks in infantry and airborne infantry battalions. The M274 vehicles were phased out by 1980, with the intended replacement being the HMMWV.

It was adopted for service in 1957 and used with the US Army, Marine Corps, and to limited extent with the Navy, Seabees, and Air Force. This vehicle is a 1959 M274 model.

## VEHICLE DEDICATION

In memory of Glen F. "Frank" Holcomb - 1943-2014.  
Served 3 years as a mechanic in the United States Army and was primarily stationed in Germany. Among other decorations, he earned the Rifle Expert Marksmanship Badge during Army weapon qualification.



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MFG. BY WILLYS MOTORS INC.		TOLEDO OHIO		
MFG. SER. NO. M-274-11272		DATE OF DEL.		1 - 59
MFG. PART NO. 914860		INSPECTED		
CONTRACT NO. DA33019ORD2217				
MFR. MODEL M274		U.S.		

TEMP.	ENGINE OIL	GEAR OIL	GREASE	GASOLINE OCTANE 83 MIN.
ABOVE 32°F.	OE GRADE 30	OE GRADE 90	CG GRADE AA	GAS TANK CAP. 8.0 GAL.
40°TO -10°F	OE GRADE 10	OE GRADE 75	CG GRADE AA	CRANKCASE OIL 2.0 GT.
0°TO -65°F	OE GRADE 0ES	OE GRADE GOS	CG GRADE AA	TIRE PRESSURE 12 LBS.

