

BLASTS FROM THE PAST

In 1985, Bill Elliott, driving the No. 9 Coors Ford owned by Harry Melling, scored a single-season record 11 superspeedway victories and the inaugural Winston Million, which earned him the nicknames, "Million Dollar Bill" and "Awesome Bill."



**Bill Elliott Coors/Million Dollar Bill
1985 Ford Thunderbird**

1:24 Elite, Not to exceed 504, Item **C22375** \$89.99
1:24 Club Car, Not to exceed 504, Item **C0414** \$52.99

In 1985, Kyle Petty did something that many might deem unthinkable: he left Petty Enterprises. After beginning his racing career with the family team in 1979, Petty made the unexpected decision to work with Wood Brothers Racing in the mid 1980s.

Petty made his debut with Woods Brothers behind the wheel of the No. 7 7-Eleven Ford Thunderbird at the 1985 Daytona 500. That year, he earned seven top-five and 12 top-10 finishes, ending the season ranked ninth in the NASCAR® Winston Cup championship point standings.



**Kyle Petty 7-Eleven
1985 Ford Thunderbird**

1:24 Elite, Not to exceed 408, Item **C2232** \$92.99
1:24 Club Car, Not to exceed 408, Item **C2160** \$55.99

In 1983, Buddy Baker drove the No. 21 Valvoline Ford Thunderbird in 21 races and finished the NASCAR® Winston Cup season with one win, one pole position, five top-five and 12 top-10 finishes. He ended the year ranked 21st in the NASCAR® Winston Cup championship point standings.



**Buddy Baker Valvoline
1983 Ford Thunderbird**

1:24 Club Car, Not to exceed 504, Item **C7647** \$55.99

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Holding on to History

In 1997, Dale Earnhardt became another famous athlete to grace the Wheaties cereal box. To honor the appearance, Earnhardt drove a bright orange No. 3 Chevrolet Monte Carlo with Wheaties splashed across the hood during that year's The Winston race at Charlotte (now Lowe's®) Motor Speedway. Earnhardt and the No. 3 Wheaties Chevrolet finished fourth in the all-star event.



**Dale Earnhardt Wheaties
1997 Chevrolet Monte Carlo**

1:24 Club Car, Not to exceed 2,508, Item **C03103** \$55.99
1:32 Elite, Not to exceed 804, Item **C03105** \$49.99
1:32 Club Car, Not to exceed 804, Item **C03104** \$34.99

Dale Earnhardt Jr. competed in only eight events on the NASCAR® Busch Series in 1997 where he showcased a variety of different sponsors aboard Chevrolet race cars bearing the No. 31 and No. 7. On Aug. 22, 1997, Dale Jr. drove the black No. 7 Church Brothers Chevrolet Monte Carlo during the 250-mile race at Bristol Motor Speedway. He finished 22nd after starting second on the front row.



**Dale Earnhardt Jr. Church Brothers
1997 Chevrolet Monte Carlo**

1:24 Club Car, Not to exceed 2,508, Item **C03339** \$55.99
1:32 Elite, Not to exceed 720, Item **C03340** \$49.99
1:32 Club Car, Not to exceed 720, Item **C03341** \$34.99

Dale Earnhardt Jr. Church Brothers Three-Piece Train Set

1:87 Three-Piece Train Set, Not to exceed 480, Item **C03342** \$25.00

Engine and caboose sold with Dale Earnhardt Jr.'s Looney Tunes Train Set C21760 in the December 2002 catalog on Page 10.

