

## Car shows bring out Father's Day gearheads

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At the Greenwood Cemetery, many families visited the graves of their loved ones but also took advantage of a small car show that was on display in the middle of the cemetery. Robert Toral (center) who owns this 1937 Chevy Master Deluxe (black car) discusses the car with Eddie Amavista (right) and Juan Franco (left). Toral and Franco are members of the Bombas Car Club in San Diego. — Sean M. Haffey

At the Greenwood Memorial Park car show, there weren't as many cars, as the show is in its first year, but that didn't make it any less enjoyable for the dads who showed up.

Standing next to his 1936 Plymouth, Juan Franco, 54, who has four daughters and a son, said he's shared his love of cars with his children, especially his son, who has his own 1949 Chevrolet. "It's pretty simply about a love for cars," he said. "When we hear about a show, we show up."

Greenwood might seem like an unusual place to host a car show, but for many who have lost fathers, the cemetery is where they go to celebrate their dad's memory on the holiday. Jeff Short, one of the site's managers, said they expected about 7,000 people to visit Sunday, and decided to offer some fun things to do while people paid their respects.

Besides, added location manager Desmond Fields, "These guys kind of bring these cars back from the grave."