Surviving M3 Lee and M3 Grant tanks
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Listed here are the M2 Medium, M3 Lee and M3 Grant tanks that still exist today.

Note on M3 Lee and Grant serial numbers :

M3 Lees were built by 3 manufacturers: Chrysler Corporation, Baldwin Locomotive Works and American Locomotive Co. (ALCO). Production ran from June, 1941 to December, 1942.

They were used by the US Army, and were issued as Lend Lease to the Soviet Union, the British Commonwealth, and Brazil.

M3 Lees were assigned individual Serial Numbers that were stamped on dataplates mounted inside the tank to the right of the driver’s seat. On the exterior of the tank, the serial numbers have been noted to have been stamped on the rear tow lugs, and have also been seen on the front tow lugs in a few cases. Lees were also assigned US Army Registration Numbers, which were painted on the sides of the hull in the rear.

M3 Lees intended to British Commonwealth were also assigned British War Department or T-numbers, but there is no correlation between them and the Serial Number or the US Army Registration Number.

Grants were built from August, 1941 until July, 1942. Three manufacturers were involved: Pressed Steel Car Co., Pullman Standard Car Co. and Baldwin Locomotive Works.

The Grant differed from the Lee primarily in its use of a larger turret, designed to accommodate the British No. 19 Radio in the turret’s bustle.

Originally ordered by the British on a “Cash and Carry” basis, the Grants were ultimately distributed to them as Lend Lease, and were shipped to the UK, North Africa, India and Australia.

M3 Grants were issued British War Department or T-numbers, within the range of T-23504 to T-25589. The WD Numbers were painted on the hull sides, and stamped on the dataplate mounted inside the tank to the right of the driver’s seat. We have not found evidence that Pullman Standard or Pressed Steel Car stamped the WD Number anywhere on the exterior of the hull. However, Baldwin Grants have been observed to have numbers with “T” prefixes running from T-1 to T-685 stamped on the front and rear tow lugs. These numbers appear to be in exact sequential order, so that the first Baldwin Grant, T-1 = T-23504 and the last, T-685 = T-24188.
M3 Lee – Armoureddon, Husbands Bosworth (UK)
Serial Number 4501, built by Chrysler in July, 1942. Formerly part of a private collection in Victoria (Australia)

M3 Lee – Yad la-Shiryon Museum, Latrun (Israel)
This tank most probably comes from Australia and was exchanged by Jacques Littlefield, along with half a dozen US built AFVs to the Israelis for a Panzer IV captured from the Syrians. It was built as a Grant and retrofitted with a Lee turret
M3 Lee – Patriot Park, Kubinka (Russia)
Serial Number 223, built by Chrysler in October, 1941

M3 Lee – Stored somewhere in Murmansk area – running condition
This tank has been salvaged in July, 2018. The transport ship "Ballot" crashed on January 2, 1943. "Ballot" sat on the rocks off the coast of Kildin island. The crew left the ship on a barge, landed on the shore and died of cold. Soviet sailors organized the unloading of the ship. In the period from January to July 1943, almost all the cargo was unloaded - 11 tanks, 10 aircraft, 6 industrial machines and other materiel. However, in the hold number 4 were 4 tanks and 120 tons of cargo. On August 30, 1943 the ship was stranded and began its towing to Murmansk. However, a storm tore off the pontoons and "Ballot" sank at a depth of 25 meters (Dmitry Ukryukov)
M3 Lee – Armoured Corps Museum, Ahmednagar, Maharashtra (India)

M3 Lee – Royal Australian Armoured Corps Tank Museum Puckapunyal, VIC (Australia)
M3 Lee – Australian Armour and Artillery Museum, Cairns, QLD (Australia)
Serial Number 4116, built by Chrysler in June, 1942. Late M3 Lee without side doors. It had an incorrect M3 Grant turret before restoration. Carries ones of the M3 Lee turrets that were cast (reproduced) by Ron Fry

Turretless M3 Lee – Rod Bellars Collection, Victoria (Australia)
Serial Number 3856, built by Chrysler in June, 1942. This tank was used in snowy mountain scheme until early 60s, mounting a pressure cannon to blast rack. It has the Australian modified air intake, but is unusual here in having unmodified air cleaner protection, leaving as original usa model, and no side lockers. It also has original low fishtails bolt plates for Australian anti intrusion grid to protect engine on rear overhang. The owner is currently looking for two Lee/Grant turrets
M3 Lee – Private collection (Australia)
Late M3 Lee without side doors. Carries ones of the M3 Lee turrets that were cast (reproduced) by Ron Fry

M3 Lee – American Heritage Museum, Hudson, MA (USA)
Serial Number 4540, built by Chrysler in July, 1942 (USA AFVs register). This tank is also a late production vehicle (without side doors). Jacques Littlefield was not able to able to find a real Lee MG cupola, so he added one from a Canadian built Ram tank (Joe DeMarco). This vehicle was part of Jacques Littlefield Collection in California. The entire Littlefield collection was donated to the Collings Foundation, and only 80 of the 240 vehicles of the collection are now displayed in a museum in Hudson, MA
M3 Lee – Newark, DE (USA)
Serial Number 2, built by Chrysler in July, 1941. This tank is probably the oldest surviving M3 Lee (USA AFVs register)

M3 Lee – Virginia Museum of Military Vehicles, Nokesville, VA (USA)
Serial Number 4444, built by Chrysler in July, 1942
M3 Lee w/ Grant turret – U.S. Army Armor & Cavalry Collection, Fort Benning, GA (USA)
Serial Number 1054, built by Baldwin in November, 1941. This tank is an M3 Lee with a Grant turret (USA AFVs register). It was displayed for years at the former Aberdeen Proving Ground museum. This vehicle is currently stored and is not publicly visible.

M3 Lee – 4th Infantry Division museum, Fort Hood, TX (USA)
Serial Number 4428, built by Chrysler in July, 1942. This tank is a late production vehicle (without side doors) with the low-profile, Far East-style cupola (Mark Neukom)
M3 Lee – Old Ironsides Museum, Fort Bliss, TX (USA)
Serial Number 4559, built by Chrysler in July, 1942. This tank was previously displayed at Baumholder, Germany ("Roy A. Lingle")

M3 Lee – Canadian War Museum, Ottawa (Canada)
Serial Number 3714, built by Chrysler in May, 1942 (Canada AFVs register)
Four M3 Lee tanks – on the seabed near Sambro Island (Canada)

The ship "Kolkhosnik" sank on 16 January 1942. Heading for Halifax to join a convoy, she struck an unknown object near Sambro Island and soon sank. Her crew took to lifeboats and all safely reached the Sambro lighthouse. The cause was first thought to be a torpedo, but no German submarines reported an attack and none were recorded in the area. More likely she was off course and struck one of the ledges around Sambro. Her wreck was salvaged after the war. Today it attracts divers and underwater photographers, especially for the M3 Lee tanks carried as deck cargo (Marine Heritage database).
M3A1 Lee “Lu Lu Bell” – Fort Lee U.S. Army Ordnance Museum, VA (USA)
Serial Number 1962, built by ALCO in February, 1942 (USA AFVs register). This tank was part of the first batch of 60 items that were transferred from Aberdeen Proving Ground MD, to Fort Lee VA. It is currently stored and is not publicly visible.

M3A3 Lee “Kentucky” – U.S. Army Armor & Cavalry Collection, Fort Benning, GA (USA)
Serial Number 1099, built by Baldwin in May, 1942. This vehicle is currently stored and is not publicly visible.
M3A3 Lee – 13º Regimento de Cavalaria Mecanizado, Pirassununga (Brazil)

M3A3 Lee – Praça do Ex-Combatente, São Gonçalo (Brazil)
M3A3 Lee – Museu Militar Conde de Linhares, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

M3A3 Lee – Academia Militar de Agulhas Negras (AMAN), Resende (Brazil)
M3A4 Lee – Private collection (USA)
Serial Number 4363, built by Chrysler in July, 1942

M3A5 Lee – Museum of military equipment "Battle Glory of the Urals" Verkhnyaya Pyshma, Sverdlovsk Oblast (Russia)
This vehicle was previously part of John Belfield collection and was pictured in an issue of Wheels and Tracks magazine in 2005. It was then owned by Ian Hughes and went to Russia some years ago. The turret is a reproduction
M3A5 Lee – U.S. Army Center for Military History Storage Facility, Anniston, AL (USA)
Formerly located at APG, Serial Number 1355, built by Baldwin LW in August, 1942 (USA AFVs register)


M3A5 Lee – Canhão Square, Juiz De Fora (Brazil)
M3A5 Lee – Parque Regional de Manutenção da 1ª Região Militar, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

M3A5 Lee – Escola de Material Bélico (EsMB), Vila Militar, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)
M3 Lee CDL - Canal Defence Light
Armoured Corps Museum, Ahmednagar, Maharashtra (India)
This tank carries a long-barrel M3 75mm gun. It is believed to be one of 252 M3s reconditioned at Chester Tank Depot, allocated to British Lend Lease in March, 1943, and converted to CDL.

Turretless M3 Lee CDL – Pakistan Army Museum, Lahore (Pakistan)
Previously displayed in Sialkot, Pakistan. “With the blackout light above the glacis MGs, the tow cable mounts on the glacis and the mount on the front left, I'm thinking that this may be another CDL sans turret” (Leife Hulbert)
This tank is most probably WD No T-24689, the first M3 Grant manufactured by Pressed Steel Car in August, 1941.

WD No T-24193, built by Pullman Standard in August, 1941. "It is the first M3 Grant that the British Government acquired in WW2 from the USA and is one of the first 30 ever manufactured although we cannot find any serial numbers due to the damage. When recovered from Pirbright Ranges, it was still fitted with power steering, and this was only ever fitted to the first 30 Grants manufactured. We are slowly restoring it to a complete Grant, but in as is condition. All the range damage was caused by the testing of captured WW2 German Panzershreck and Panzerfaust during WW2" (Carl Brown)
M3 Grant – Royal Museum of the Armed Forces, Brussels (Belgium)
This M3 Grant was acquired from Australia by the Royal Tank Museum (Fred Muls). It is currently stored and being restored back to running condition.

M3 Grant – Royal Jordanian Tank Museum (Jordan)
This tank is likely to be that from the erstwhile Geneva private museum, and was one of two rebuilt at a facility near Canterbury England in the 1990s from ex-Budge Australian imports (Steve Osfield)
M3 Grant – El-Alamein War Museum (Egypt)
This tank shows various shot gouges and penetrations, and even has an armor patch by the driver’s port, suggesting that it may have been hit on more than one occasion. Thus, we think that it is an historic battle casualty of the North Africa Campaign (Joe DeMarco)

M3 Grant – Madras Engineer Group (MEG) Centre, Ulsoor (India)
On May 6, 1944, this tank, under command of Major Ezra Rhodes, was climbing the Kohima Ridge to support troops of the 2nd Division who were attacking Japanese positions on Carisson Hill. Under treacherous monsoon conditions, the tank careered down the hill, lost a track and crashed against a tree, where it came under enemy fire. The crew jammed the triggers of the tanks machine guns to fire continuously, set the turret to rotate and escape under fire back to British lines. After the battle, the 2nd Division requested that the tank remain in the exact position from which it had to be abandoned as memorial to the heroism and sacrifice of all those who fought in the battle.
M3 Grant “Hector” – Army Museum of Western Australia in Artillery Barracks
Fremantle, WA (Australia)
WD No T-23704, built by Baldwin LW in March, 1942. Nicknamed “Hector”

Merredin Military Museum, March 2011

M3 Grant – Merredin Military Museum, WA (Australia)
The museum has everything to put it back to complete, but is in need of new tracks (Merredin Military Museum)
M3 Grant – Meandarra ANZAC Memorial Museum, Queensland (Australia)

M3 Grant – Australian Armour and Artillery Museum, Cairns, QLD (Australia) – running c.
M3 Grant – Peter Ray Collection, Bilpin, NSW (Australia)
The turret, main gun barrel and side doors are all reproductions

Turretless M3 Grant – U.S. Army Armor & Cavalry Collection, Fort Benning, GA (USA)
The serial number of this one is often reported as being 727, but we believe that it is only a random number stamped on the front differential housing. We also believe it is an M3 Grant hull, because it doesn’t have an antenna bracket on left rear hull
M3 Grant – National Museum of Military Vehicles, Dubois, WY (USA)
This tank was part of the Budge Collection (UK) before the collection was scattered. It was then part of the Virginia Museum of Military Vehicles, Nokesville, VA (USA)

M3 Grant – Private collection (USA)
Formerly part of Rod Keyes Collection, QLD (Australia)
M3A3 Grant – Kevin Wheatcroft Collection (UK)
This tank comes from the Melbourne Tank Museum (Australia) and was sold on an auction in late 2006. It carries a long-barrel M3 75mm gun (Mark Neukom)

M3A3 Grant – Australian Armour and Artillery Museum, Cairns, QLD (Australia)
Rebuilt from parts coming from John Beifields Collection
M3A5 Grant “Monty” – Imperial War Museum, Duxford (UK)
T-24027 (Baldwin number 524), built by Baldwin Locomotive Works in June, 1942. This tank was Field Marshal Montgomery’s command tank. The guns (or at least the main 75mm in the hull) are fake.

M3A5 Grant – Kevin Wheatcroft Collection (UK)
T-23972, built by Baldwin in June, 1942. This tank comes from the Melbourne Tank Museum (Australia) and was sold on an auction in late 2006. There was no engine in the tank at that moment.
M3A5 Grant – Yad la-Shiryon Museum, Latrun (Israel)
This tank comes from Ron Fry collection in Australia who restored it to static display condition, and was exchanged by Jacques Littlefield, along with half a dozen US built AFVs to the Israelis for a Panzer IV they captured from the Syrians. It is in Australian paint and markings.

M3A5 Grant – Vadim Zadorozhny Museum, Arhangelskoe
Moscow Oblast (Russia)
WD No T-23846, built by Baldwin Locomotive Works in May, 1942. This tank came from the Ron Fry collection, Victoria, (Australia) and it was then part of Kevin Wheatcroft collection.
M3A5 Grant – Royal Australian Armoured Corps Tank Museum
Puckapunyal, VIC (Australia)
This Grant has the Australian-produced final drive shield fitted (Mark Neukom)

M3A5 Grant – Rob McBride collection, Kingaroy, QLD (Australia)
This tank was previously part of Ron Fry collection, VIC. WD Number T-24008 (Baldwin number 505), built by Baldwin in June, 1942
M3A5 Grant w/ Lee turret – Private collection, Naples, FL (USA)
Baldwin Number 245, WD Number T-23748, built by Baldwin as an M3A5 Grant in April, 1942. The tank was restored by Ron Fry and the turret is a reproduction cast by Ron Fry.

M3A5 Grant w/ Lee turret – Private collection (USA)
This tank was built from the lower hull remains of WD Number T-23861 (Baldwin Number 358), an M3 Grant built in April, 1942. The differential housing comes from Baldwin Number 290, the upper hull comes from another Grant and the turret is a reproduction built by Ron Fry. The vehicle was restored by Ron Fry.
M3A5 Grant – Currently stored in California (USA)
This vehicle was part of Jacques Littlefield Collection in California. The entire Littlefield collection was donated to the Collings Foundation, and only 80 of the 240 vehicles of the collection will be displayed in a new museum, which will be built in Massachusetts. This tank will be sold during an auction in July, 2014.

M3A5 Grant – Private collection (USA)
Comes from Ron Fry Collection. WD No T-23971 (Baldwin number 468), built by Baldwin in June, 1942.
A single M3A5 Grant tank was converted into a BARV in 1950 by the Australian Army. This remained in service until 1970 (Wikipedia).
M3 Grant – Army Museum of South Australia, Keswick Barracks, Adelaide (Australia)
This tank was modified for photographic work during the British nuclear tests at Maralinga SA, between 1956 and 1963 (Ron Fry)

M3 Lee partial wreck – Near Fort White, Chin State (Burma / Myanmar)
The tank was abandoned near Thaing Ngai village in November, 1944. It toppled into a ravine after the area was pounded by Japanese air raids
M3 Lee partial hull – Old Benicia Arsenal, CA (USA)
The tank hull was used to destroy old ammunition ("geologyjohn"). It is located between the 680 north and south bridge ramps ("Shorepatroll"). The tank was buried during a construction project and is under a highway now ("Lightning Cato")

M3 Lee chassis – Alexishafen, Madang province (Papua New Guinea)
From the bogies, it can be assumed that this was a Chrysler Lee. From the Australian War Memorial website, "Madang" was the HQ of the Australian 4th Armoured Brigade and it was there that tank trials were held in Oct 1944. No Aussie Grants/Lees were sent to PNG, but there are some pics of a Lee recovery vehicle in the AWM collection, so perhaps this may be the source of the lower hull (Leife Hulbert)
M3 Lee chassis – Australian Armour and Artillery Museum, Cairns, QLD (Australia)
Serial Number 4356, built by Chrysler in July, 1942. This hull will be restored in the following months (Rob Lowden)
Five M3 Lee chassis/wrecks – Australian Armour and Artillery Museum, Cairns, QLD (Australia)

These vehicles will probably used as the source of spare parts for some restoration projects.
M3A4 Lee wreck – Fire range, Fort Knox, KY (USA)
Serial Number 4373, built by Chrysler in July, 1942 (Don Moriarty)

M3 Grant hull – Rex & Rod Cadman Collection (UK)
WD No T-23714 (Baldwin number 211), built by Baldwin in February, 1942. This hull was part of a private collection in Brisbane, QLD (Australia), and was for sale on Ebay in 2009
M3 Grant upper hull – Carl Brown collection (UK)
The tank was previously located on Otterburn fire range (Adrian Barrell)

https://www.facebook.com/pg/M3-Grant-T24676-Restoration-186021145141226/posts/

M3 Grant hull – Private collection, Western Australia (Australia) – running condition
WD No T-24676; built by Pullman Standard in July, 1942. It is being restored
M3 Grant hull – Private collection, Western Australia (Australia)

M3 Grant hull – Somewhere in Western Australia
Modified to be used as an agricultural tractor
M3 Grant lower hull – White Cliffs Station, near Laverton, WA (Australia)
Modified to be used as an agricultural tractor

M3 Grant hull – Rod Keyes Collection, QLD (Australia)
M3 Lee/Grant hull – Private collection, NSW (Australia)

M3 Grant hull/chassis remains – Private collection, Tamworth, NSW (Australia)
M3 Grant hull/chassis – Private collection, Tamworth, New South Wales (Australia)

http://www.oldcmp.net/Cav_Grants.html#Anchor-47857
Two M3 Grant hulls – Private collection, somewhere in Western Victoria (Australia)

M3 Grant hull – Private collection, Inverleigh, Victoria (Australia)
Eight Lee/Grant hulls – John Belfield Collection, VIC (Australia)
Three M3 Grant upper hulls – Ron Fry Collection, VIC (Australia)

The first photo shows a later model upper hull without side doors. Formerly owned by John Belfield

Ron Fry, August 2009
Two M3 Grant chassis – Ron Fry Collection (Australia)
The vehicle at the top is another vehicle converted for farm work, it is a late M3 Lee hull made by Chrysler

M3 Grant chassis – Private Collection (Australia)
M3 Grant chassis – Private Collection, WA (Australia)
Ex Australian army M3 Grant sitting on a Western Australian farm. All the armour plate sections that have been removed from this tank are stored on a farm not far from this location. Owner will not sell. This Grant is still sitting on the farm (M3 Grant 24676 page)

M3 Grant hull – High country, VIC (Australia)
M3A3 Grant restoration project – Ron Fry Collection, VIC (Australia)
This vehicle is awaiting restoration. WD No T-23858 (Baldwin number 355), built by Baldwin in April, 1942 (Joe DeMarco)

M3A5 Grant wreck – Private collection (Australia)
This vehicle seems to be WD No T-23872, if so it would have been built by Baldwin Locomotive Works in May, 1942
M3A5 Grant hull – Rex & Rod Cadman Collection (UK)
WD No T-23996 (Baldwin number 493), built by Baldwin Locomotive Works in June, 1942

M3A5 Grant hull – Private collection, Kalgoorlie, WA (Australia)
M3A5 Grant wreck – Ron Fry collection; VIC (Australia)
WD No T-23884 (Baldwin number 381), built by Baldwin in May, 1942 (Joe DeMarco)

M3A5 Grant hull – John Belfield collection, VIC (Australia)
First M3A5 Grant hull – Murrayville, VIC (Australia)

Second M3A5 Grant hull – Murrayville, VIC (Australia)
Third M3A5 Grant hull – Murrayville, VIC (Australia)
WD No T-24186 (Baldwin number 683), one of the last Grants built by Baldwin, in July, 1942

Fourth M3A5 Grant hull – Murrayville, VIC (Australia)
Fifth M3A5 Grant hull – Murrayville, VIC (Australia)
WD No T-23986 (Baldwin number 483), built by Baldwin Locomotive Works in June, 1942

M3A5 Grant hull – Private collection (Australia)
WD No T-23992 (Baldwin number 489), built by Baldwin Locomotive Works in June, 1942
M3A5 Grant hull – Private collection (Australia)
WD No T-24011 (Baldwin number 508), built by Baldwin Locomotive Works in June, 1942

M3A5 Grant hull – Private collection (Australia)
T-23835 (Baldwin number 332), built by Baldwin Locomotive Works in May, 1942
M3A5 Grant hull – Army fire range, Australian Capital Territory (Australia)
The turret that can be seen on the bottom of the photo is now gone


M3 Lee or Grant hull – Warragamba Dam, near Sydney, NSW (Australia)
M3 Lee turret – Kurzeme Fortress Museum, Zante (Latvia)


Robert Decker, February 2013
Two M3 Lee turrets – Fire range, Fort Knox, KY (USA)
Three M3 Grant turrets – Puckapunyal Army range, Victoria (Australia)
M3 Grant turret – Brent Mullins Jeep Parts, College Station, TX (USA)

This is a very early M3 Grant turret. It still has the “ghost” of the loader’s hatch that was a British request, but was rejected by the US in the interest of design simplicity and need to rush the production

Vis-mod M3 Grant hull – Private collection (Australia) – running condition

This M4A3 reproduction is of the Grant based Sherman tanks constructed for the Movie industry. Three of these machines were used in the making of ‘The Pacific’ series. One of these three was the same one built for the movie ‘The Great Raid’ (Which did not end up appearing in the final cut anyway!)
Vis-mod M3 Grant hull – Private collection, QLD (Australia) – running condition
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Vis-mod M3 Grant hull – Private collection (Australia)
Previously part of the Cowra Fun Museum, Cowra, New South Wales (Australia). The tracks and wheels come from an M3 Stuart, note the reduced width sprockets to accommodate these narrow tracks (Ron Fry)
Late M3 Lee – Unknown location (Australia?)
This tank has a dataplate with Serial Number 4437, it has been transformed into a crane after WW2. It is possibly located in or around the township of Sale in Victoria

M3 Grant – Unknown location (USA)
This tank seems to be, or have been located by Brent Mullins restoration workshop in College Station, TX, USA
M3 Grant chassis and turret – Unknown location (Australia)

Two M3 Grant hulls – Unknown location
These vehicles were previously located at Nungarin, WA (Australia)
I'm looking for photos of those tanks:

any M3 Lee or Grant that I forgot….

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