

## C&S Body Shop

For Floyd Couch, learning how to make mechanical repairs at an early age was a necessity as he grew up on a farm. He honed his skills on a daily basis maintaining, overhauling, and mending the equipment that kept food on his family's table.

He began his journey into car body repair over 45 years ago starting as a mechanic for the previous owner. In 1970, he and his partner, Bobby Spear, purchased the business from their boss and created the C&S Body Shop.

"We had to get special permission to use the C&S logo (Couch and Spear) in our name because at the time there was a C&S Bank in town," said Couch. "In the end, we were able to use the logo because of course they represented different names and we have been known as C&S ever since."

The shop performs body repairs on every make of car including foreign models. "The biggest change in cars over the years has been the material used in building them," reflects Couch. "We've gone from heavy, durable metal to lightweight fiberglass which can experience a lot of damage in wrecks."

Throughout the years, the partners maintained a firm business philosophy-do the work right the first time and word-of-mouth advertising will always bring more jobs. This dedication to high-quality work has earned C&S many accolades including being chosen for several years as the best body shop in Milledgeville in the Union Recorder's Reader's Choice Awards.

Although Spears passed away a few years back, Couch continues to strive to do the best job possible for his customers. "If you do the work right and treat people with respect, your business will continue to be successful."