Mechanic

Here's your old sports car, bonnet up in a backstreet garage, covered in dust. Two wheels are missing and a Love Yorkshire sticker peels from the rear window.

Two hundred thousand miles end like this.

Split and torn, the black leather seats slowly rot.

Your dinted front bumper rusts on the greasy shelf.

Lean, efficient, a mechanic bends into the darkness, unscrewing metal from metal to fix other problems. I wait, then slide into place, check the mirror, drive back to you.