



## Caesar Creek Soaring Club

## FREQUENT FLYER

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### WITH TAILWINDS THEY FLY - TED TEACH

#### OBITUARY

Ted L. Teach, 88, of Huber Heights passed away on Friday, July 22, 2022. He was born September 21, 1933, in New Carlisle, the son of the late Herbert & Inez (Dillon) Teach. He was a member of Honey Creek Presbyterian Church of New Carlisle. He was a member of New Carlisle Lodge #100 F & AM. Ted also held memberships in many other organizations.



Ted graduated BS Aeronautical Engineering, OSU 1957. Ted worked for North American Aviation, Grimes Manufacturing Co., Blackhorse Tile Co., and went on to co-found Laserplane, Inc., now known as Trimble, Inc. Ted also had several small businesses. Over the years he served on various company boards. He was the holder of 26 US patents.

Ted had numerous hobbies. One of his favorite hobbies was restoring aircraft with his personal aircraft mechanic Doug Smith. One of Ted's most rewarding projects was a 30-year scratch build replica of Caro Bayley's Pitts-S1 often referred to as "Black Magic" finished in 1999. In total, 4 airplanes that Ted either built or restored won awards at the Experimental Aircraft Association Convention in Oshkosh, WI. The climax of EAA awards for Ted and crew Doug Smith and Bob Jacoby was in 2016 when the Grand Champion award went to his 1936 Ryan ST.

Ted loved to spend time traveling around the world for work or vacations with family or friends. Ted was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend. He is survived by his daughters Cindy (Mike) Dillahunt and Connie Norris; grandchildren Megan Norris, Richard Dillahunt and Glenn (Rachael) Dillahunt; great-grandchildren Hayden Dillahunt, Chloe Dillahunt, Ethan Fewlass and Kayden Dillahunt; brother Richard (Joan) Teach, of Dunwoody, GA & several nieces and nephews. Along with his parents Ted is preceded in death by his wife of 67 years Dottie (Hunt) Teach.

Visitation will be held Wednesday, August 3, 2022, from 12-2pm with the service to honor Ted beginning at 2:00pm at Trostel, Chapman, Dunbar & Fraley Funeral Home, New Carlisle, OH. Memorial contributions may be made to Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) Programs Fund or Brookdale Hospice. Expressions of sympathy may be made at [www.trostelchapman.com](http://www.trostelchapman.com).

## **PERSONAL NOTE - BOB ANDERSON**

Ted Teach died at about 10:30 am on Friday July 22. He had been staying in a memory care wing of an assisted living facility in Troy, Ohio since February of this year. Ted had been losing his short term memory for the past couple of years. He fell and broke his hip in March and had a hip replacement, but never regained the ability to walk thereafter. He was diagnosed with Covid 19 and pneumonia just a few days ago.

Ted's decline was quite rapid. He was still driving his car about a year ago. I took him flying in my plane and a glider last October and he was able to fly both of them. I visited him often, and last visited Ted on Sunday a week ago. He recognized me but was having difficulty communicating clearly. We talked about flying and business, our shared passions. After about a 40 minute visit, he nodded off to sleep and I left thinking that end might be near. It was.

Dottie, his wife, died about 4 weeks ago. They were together for about 70 years.

Ted was a life-long power and glider pilot. He was a founding member of the Buckeye Soaring Club at OSU in the 50s. He was a member of CCSC for about 30 years and donated his stock shares to the Youth Soaring Association several years ago. He was also two-time winner of the 1-26 Nationals and won several local contests in his 1-26, (081).

## **ODDS AND ENDS**

### **CARPET STRIPS**

CCSC is in need of additional carpet strips to increase the padding on our fuselage dollies and wing stands for the shop. We just had the unfortunate problem where SD got multiple dimples in the fuselage due to being in the fuselage dolly with the wings on (adds too much weight) and inadequate padding. John Murray is now doing the repair. (Lesson learned. Rolf Hegele, SD Plane Captain)

