



### **Corwin H. Meyer, Grumman Test Pilot**

Total Flight Hours: 8,000+

Approximate Flight Hours:

VF/VA: 5,100 Other: 2,900

Currently licensed Commercial, Instrument, Instructor, Single and Multi engine, Land and Sea with Physical and a Bi-annual Flight Review.

Honors and Awards:

1995 Inducted into Carrier Aviation Test Pilot Hall of Honor, USS *Yorktown*, Patriots Point, Charleston, SC.

1971 Awarded the Society of Experimental Test Pilots James H. Doolittle Award for Outstanding Professional Accomplishment in Aerospace Technical Management

### **Biographical Data**

1942-54 Joined Grumman in 1942, as an experimental test pilot. Became the project pilot for the following fighters: F6F Hellcat, F7F Tigercat, F8F Bearcat, F9F Panther, F9F-6 Cougar, Jaguar, Tiger, and the Mach II Super Tiger. He flew all of the competitive aircraft throughout the world including the Jap Zero and the A-6A Intruder.

1954 Became the first civilian to qualify aboard the USS *Lake Champlain* in jets flying Cougars with VF-61.

1965-69 Director of Aircraft Delivery Operations, Grumman Aircraft Corp. (GAC).

1969-74 Senior Vice President of all Manufacturing Operations, Flight Test and Quality Control, GAC.

1974-78 President and CEO of Grumman American, a commercial airplane subsidiary which built and sold the Gulfstream line of business jets, the Agcat an agricultural airplane and the Grumman American line of light airplanes.



1978- President and CEO of Enstrom Helicopters, Falcon Jet Corporation and OMAC with specific tasks to realign the operations of these corporations. He still consults.

### **Summary of Significant Career Events**

- (1) Mr. Corwin "Corky" Meyer grew up in Springfield, Illinois. He attended University of Illinois and MIT. His test piloting career spans 57 years in over 125 types of civilian and military aircraft.
- (2) Fellow and Founder of the Society of Experimental Test Pilots and the AIAA. He also served as a consultant to the European research organization AGAARD (a NATO committee for Research and Development) and NASA.
- (3) In September 1995, was inducted into the Carrier Aviation Test Pilot Hall of Honor on board USS *Yorktown* at Patriot's Point Naval and Maritime Museum Charleston, SC.

### Family:

Mr. Meyer has a daughter Sandra Royall and two sons, John Fyfield and Peter Corwin. Peter, who Corky taught to fly, has well topped his father's flying times by attaining over 17,000 hours.