

WYMAN FOX



Wyman, a retired veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, passed away late Friday, February 28, 2014, at his home, surrounded by his family and friends. His wife, Virginia, had passed away several years ago. Wyman was extremely active with EAA 172 from the mid 1990s up to 2006 when his health difficulties caused him to lessen his involvement. He was the first Young Eagles Coordinator for EAA 172. He also was the first coordinator of the Wrens Fly-in. Having a profoundly disabled son, Billy Fox, Wyman was very involved with rights for those who are physically and mentally disabled. He donated power equipment to the EAA 172 workshop at the Pea Patch and was very active with all club, Young Eagles, and fly-in activities especially Boshears.



Obituary

Mr. Wyman Fox, 75, of Martinez, passed away on February 28, 2014 at his residence. Memorial service will be held on Wednesday, March 5, 2014 at 3pm in the Columbia Road Chapel of Elliott Sons Funeral Home with Pastor Barry Clanton officiating. Born in Augusta, GA, he was the son of the late Samuel Fox and Eron Franklin Fox. He retired from the Marine Corps as a Gunnery Sergeant and the US Postal Service as a letter carrier. He earned his private pilot's license. Wyman was a former member of the EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association) and former coordinator of the Young Eagles Program. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Virginia Fox, and sister Sylvia Meyer. He is survived by his children Gretchen Goff, Grovetown, GA, Tina Dickson, Greenville, NC, Tami Cooper, Ferrell Fox, both of Otway, NC, William Billy Fox, Grovetown, stepchildren, Charles (Tina) Brown, Augusta, Dessa (John) Toney, Grovetown, GA, brother, Vernon Fox, grandchildren, Brittnee Greer, Allie Dickson, Brian Dickson, Bryce Martin, Breylun Cooper, David Tanner, great grandchild, Legend Greer, and best friend Mark Slone. The family will receive friends on Wednesday, March 5, 2014 from 2pm until the hour of service at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the [American Cancer Society](#), 2607 Commons Blvd., Augusta, GA, 30909.

From past years, which can be seen in the on-line EAA 172 Website, here are some excerpts:

Up to about **2003**, Wyman handled the membership list for the club. Also, though not Young Eagles Coordinator after 1998 when he transferred the duties to Mark Thompson who held those duties up to the time of his death in January, 2000, he was always at Young Eagles events to help out with paperwork up through the mid 2000s. Wyman also participated at the club meetings until his health started to deteriorate.

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From the May, 1998, meeting: Young Eagles Coordinator Wyman Fox said that they had flown 116 Young Eagles so far this year.

In December, 1997:

Wyman Fox received a special plaque as "Chief Flight Leader" for "Dedicated service to the Young Eagles Program, EAA Chapter 172, 1997." In accepting his plaque, Wyman said "I appreciate this but I could not do it without the support of everyone throughout the year."

For November, 1997:

Wyman Fox reported on the Young Eagles program. The last rally was highly successful and brought the count up to 463 Young Eagles flown this year.

In October, 1997, Wyman worked with setting up things for the Boshears airshow:

In January, 1997:

Wyman Fox was awarded a plaque and Chapter Service Award for the work he had done during 1996 for the Young Eagles Program. Wyman thanked everyone who helped: the pilots and the ground crew. He said that unofficially the EAA 172 Young Eagles Program had flown 198 young people in 1996.

1996 EAA 172 EVENTS

The **May, 1996**, club meeting was the Wrens Fly-In. Wyman Fox took overall charge of the arrangements. On May 10, the day before the fly-in, several members prepared the field and hangar for the fly-in and brought chairs, tables, a tent and other items from the Pea Patch to the Wrens airport.

January 11, 1996: During the first weekend of the year Wyman Fox and Dennis Allen gave orientation flights to 34 new Young Eagles. A letter had been received indicating that EAA 172 is in the top ten percent for the Young Eagles' program.