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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD

NAME	DATE GRADUATED	DATE AWARD PRES
FitzhughL. Fulton, Jr.	Apr 59	11 Jun 83
William J. Campbell, Lt Gen	Dec 63	11 Jun 83
Thomas P. Stafford, Lt Gen	Apr 69	10 Dec 83
William J. "Pete" Knight	58C/63A	10 Dec 83
Irving L. Burrows, Jr	58B	9 Jun 84
William T. Twitting, Maj Gen	Jun 63	8 Dec 84
William T. Twitting, Maj Gen	Jun 63	8 Jun 85
Richard C. Lathrop, Dr.	Apr 56	14 Dec 86
Frank C. Borman	60C	7 Jun 86
Frank C. Borman	60C	13 Dec 86
Raymond L. Jones	67C	13 Jun 87
David a. Kerzie, Lt Col	67A	12 Dec 87
William S. Ross	52C	11 Jun 88
Jerauld R. Gentry	63A	10 Dec 88
Robert C. Ettinger	68B	Jun 89
Charles G. Fullerton	64B MOL	Dec 89
Robert M. White	54C	Jun 90
Robert L. Crippen	65A	Dec 90
Joe H. Engle	61C	1 Jun 91
Gorden L. Cooper, Jr.	56C	Dec 91
Charles C. Yeager	46C/51A	6 Jun 92
Peter W. Odgers, Maj Gen	61A	12 Dec 92

Test Pilot School

A. B. HONTS AWARD

IN HONOR OF

CAPTAIN ANDERSON B. HONTS, JR.

Captain Honts, Class 53C, was killed on 8 February 1955 while flight testing a B-57 aircraft at Edwards AFB. This award was presented to the outstanding student in each class until 1966, when it was retired in favor of the Liethen-Tittle Award.

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LIETHEN-TITTLE AWARD

IN HONOR OF

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68B	Capt	IVAN J. SINGLETON	USAF
69A	Capt	STUART R. BOYD	USAF
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70A	Capt	DAVID E. DIEFENBACH	USAF
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71A	Maj	KARL M. JONES, JR.	USAF
71B	Capt	DAVID W. PETERSON	USAF
72A	Capt	LESLIE B. ANDERSON, III	USAF
72B	Capt	STANLEY E. BOYD	USAF
73A	Capt	JOHN M. HOFFMAN	USAF
74A	Capt	RONALD J. GRABE	USAF
74B	Capt	RICHARD O. COVEY	USAF
75A	Capt	GUY S. GARDNER	USAF
75B	Capt	WAYNE C. FISHER	USAF
76A	Capt	JOHN B. CROLL	CANADA
76B	Capt	STEPHEN W. BARTER	USAF
77A	Capt	VERNON P. SAXON	USAF
77B	Maj	DANIEL J. BIEZAD	USAF
78A	Maj	MICHAEL DVIR	ISRAEL
78B	Capt	DONALD A. CORNELL	USAF

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Class 73A	Capt	ERIC M. STOLLE	USAF
74A	Capt	KENT D. NELSON	USAF
74B	Capt	DONALD M. BILLICK	USAF
75A	Capt	WILLIAM W. CRIMMEL	USAF
75B	Capt	JERRY L. ROSS	USAF
76A	1Lt	MICHAEL T. PROBASCO	USAF
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77A	Capt	VERNON S. RITCHEY	USAF
77B	Capt	OPHER NEVO	ISRAEL
78A	Capt	LAWRENCE R. PERLEE	USAF

R. L. JONES AWARD

Colonel Jones, while Deputy Commandant of the USAF Test Pilot School, was primarily responsible for the formulation of the Flight Test Engineer program. This program was initiated in 1972. An award honoring Colonel Jones' contributions to the Test Pilot School was jointly established in 1979 by the Air Force Test Pilot School and the Society of Flight Test Engineers. This award replaced the Outstanding Flight Test Engineer Award and is also presented to the flight test engineer or navigator who achieves the best overall record in report writing, flight test management, and academic excellence.

Class 78B	Capt	FRANK B. GRAY	USAF

PROP WASH AWARD

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This award is voted upon by the members of each class and is presented to the student who has contributed most to class spirit and morale during their tenure at the USAF Test Pilot School.

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Class 56D	Maj	JOSEPH W. ROGERS	USAF
57A	Capt	ORGLE D. GODWIN	USAF
57C	Capt	JOHN L. WHITEHEAD, JR.	USAF
57D	Capt	PHILIP R. O'BRIEN, JR.	USAF
58A	1Lt	RALPH C. RICH	USAF
58B	Capt	SHELTON J. ANTHONY, JR.	USAF
58C	Capt	JOSEPH A. GUTHRIE, JR.	USAF
59A	Capt	LOREN R. BROOKS, JR.	USAF
59B	Capt	DONALD P. MASLEN	USAF
59C	Capt	DONALD E. WESTBROOK	USAF
60A	Capt	JOHN H. REDDOCH	USAF
60B	CWO	JOSEPH C. WATTS	USA
60C	Capt	HARLEY A. JOHNSON	USAF
61A	Capt	GEORGE D. KNUTKOWSKI	USAF
61C	Capt	CHARLES S. ALDRICH	USAF
62A	Capt	JIMMIE R. HALL	USAF
62C	Capt	ROBERT L. JONDAHL	USAF
70B	Capt	WAYNE H. JONES	USAF
71A	Capt	MICHAEL J. BUTCHKO, JR.	USAF
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72A	Capt	BARTON B. SWITZER	USAF
72B	Maj	ADDISON S. THOMPSON	USAF
73A	LCDR	WILLIAM B. HAYDEN	USN
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75B	Capt	RALPH J. LUCZAK	USAF
76A	Capt	FRANK T. BIRK	USAF
76B	Capt	ELTON T. POLLOCK	USAF
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77B	Capt	GERARD L. RIFENBURG	USAF
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57-A	Capt Robert S. Buchanan
57-C	Capt Leo F. Post Jr.
57-D	Capt Francis R. Plessier, a french officer
58-A	Mr Jack H. Stephenson, Grumman Aircraft Engineering Corp.
58-B	Capt Edward G. Givens Jr.
58-C	Capt Thomas P. Stafford
59-A	1st Lt Jon H. Ertzgaard, Royal Norwegian Air Force
59-B	Mr Ralph C. Cokeley, Boeing Airplane Co.
59-C	Capt James A. McDivitt
60-A	Capt Carl S. Cross
60-B	Capt Emil E. Kleuver, Army
60-C	Capt Frank Borman
61-A	Mr Thomas E. Edmonds, Boeing Co.
61-C	Capt Frank E. Liethen Jr.
62-A	Capt Charles A. Bassett II
62-C	Capt Michael J. Adams
63-A	Capt Richard E. Lawyer
64-A	Mr Fred W. Haise, NASA
64-B	Capt Thurlow H. Ralph
64-C	Capt Peter Hoag
65-A	Capt Jerry D. Bowline
65-B	Lt Thomas K. Mattingly, USN
65-C	Capt Kenneth Dyson

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