



## Capt. E. Allan Englehardt

January 29, 1947 - May 9, 2016

Capt. E. Allan Englehardt, 69, passed away Monday, May 9, 2016 at his home in Lake Bluff. He was born January 29, 1947 in Chicago and had been a Lake Bluff resident for the past 35 years. He was a graduate of Southern Illinois University and had been a pilot for United Airlines for many years. In retirement, he was appointed chairman of the board of the Chicago Executive Airport and the regional representative for the United Pilots Association. He was also active with the FAA as a designated pilot examiner. Flying was very important to Allan, and the only thing he enjoyed more than being a pilot was spending time with his family. He is survived by his wife, Diana Englehardt of Lake Bluff; three children, Tricia (Paul) Nagel of Palatine, Tison (Nannette) Englehardt of Lake Forest, Allen Joseph "A.J." Englehardt of Cedar Rapids, IA; five grandchildren, Sarah, Derek, Diana, Joseph, Rhett; and by his brother William Englehardt. Visitation will be 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, May 12, 2016 at Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W. Park Ave. (Route 176, one block west of Milwaukee Ave.) Libertyville. Interment will be in Southern Illinois at New Prospect Church in Eldorado, IL at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 14. A memorial service will be held at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, May 16 at the First Presbyterian Church, 219 W. Maple Ave. in Libertyville. Memorial contributions may be made to the First Presbyterian Church or to the Rhine Cemetery, c/o Jim Anderson, 4220 Raleigh Chapel Rd., Raleigh, IL 62977. For info, 847-362-3009 or please sign the guestbook at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ Just saw this. Capt Al took myself and Sumner under his wing in the late 70s as we were both aspiring pilots. He brought us to his home a number of times and showed us all his wonderful toys.. More importantly, he gave us advice on life not just flying. He gave us both career directions and advice on how to make our personal flying dreams come true. I aced his private pilot's class and exam (thanks captain) it took Sumner more than 4 tries but finally made it. After high school I went military and Sumner met to college and finally made it to transports and is commercial today. I never made a career out of flying but have continued my love of the sport to this day. I love flying my PPG and Hawk. All fun and no pressure. I have always thought of Al as my co-pilot every time I go up he had that big of an impression on my life. God bless the Captain and his family. May he rest in peace.

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**Paul Pearce** - August 06, 2018 at 07:49 AM

CR

“ Dear Al, Thanks for all you did in regard to aviation education and promoting aviation. You will always be known as Mr. Airworthiness -- Praise the Administrator. You will be deeply missed by your family, friends, and fellow aviators.

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**Charley Rodriguez** - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

BG

“ I knew Allan an HPHS. He was a friend and liked the motorcycles I rode. After many years, he recognized me at O'Hare airport while I waited outside for my ride. He looked like the kind of pilot I would always want in the cockpit. I am so sorry to hear of his death. My thoughts are with his family.

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**Bradley Gore** - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

SN

“ Long time friend will be missed . My prayers to the family.

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**Sue Nealey** - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

MH

“ I flew with Allen once on the B-757, and did get to know him and respect the work he did in aviation.

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**Mike Hepperlen** - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

EH

“ *My sincere condolences to all of Allan's family of the loss of an extraordinary pilot and person.*

Edward Hoffmann - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

MA

“ *To the Englehardt family, I extend my heartfelt sympathy. My prayers and thoughts are with you.*

Melinda Applebee - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

WW

“ *My sincere condolences. We will all miss him and his contributions to our lives. I especially appreciated that he took the time to get us all together at RUPA after we retired. And for all the efforts he has made to bring interesting topics and people relevant to our backgrounds and experience to the meetings. I will certainly miss him.*

Wayne Walusiak - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

DB

“ *Our sincere condolences to the Englehardt family. We knew Al and the family since moving to the neighborhood 30 years ago. Al was a good friend. He will be missed.*

David and Alice Bunker - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

DA

“ *Condolences to the Englehardt family. Al was as consummate professional who signed me off for every rating I ever received. I will miss him and I appreciate the lessons he lived by.*

David Arts - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

AI

“ *our sincere condolences to the englehardt family, I knew Al since childhood which seems like only a short time back and we did lunch with Al a week ago. Al was a good neighbor and friend and will be missed by all of us who knew him and his dog Otis. Al & Joyce Inglis Knollwood, II*

AI Inglis - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

GS

“ *Al was a friend who was always eager to share his wealth of experience with those who shared his love of flight. He will be missed.*

**Gerry Spittler** - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

RF

“ *Al was a credit to aviation and the safe flying of GA pilots. I remember a wonderful aerobatics flight he took me on. He will be missed.* Ray Fey

**Ray Fey** - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

BS

“ *Our sincerest condolences to Mrs. Englehardt and the family. We knew Allan through our involvement with trying to get the Age 60 Rule reformed. Allan was a focused, determined colleague. Allan was a very handsome captain in his UAL uniform and got attention from many DC legislators. We remember his politely networking with high-ranking FAA officials at the Oshkosh events. Allan generously donated his time to the cause. Allan and his family are in our thoughts and prayers.*

**Bill and Gayle Siegert** - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

MB

“ *We were friends in high school and saw each other at reunions. He was a kind man, we had good conversations at the reunions, and I saw him many times at Chicago Executive. Definitely a loss too soon.*

**Michele Brewczynski** - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

DA

“ *Al Englehardt was one of the finest people with whom I served on the Chicago Executive Airport Board. He conducted a tireless campaign for on and off airport safety, and the EMAS in place is part of his legacy. He will be fondly remembered by me and many others for his hard work and pleasant demeanor.*

**Darlene Ahlstedt** - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

PB

“ *Dear Diana and family, Barry and I want you to know we are thinking about you and this loss for your family. It was really a good thing that Barry had a chance to talk to Al a few weeks ago. Warmly, Penny*

**Penny Barnow** - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

RG

“ So sad. I also worked with Al and appreciated his hard work in Washington helping retire the age 60 rule. He will be missed.

Robert Gibson - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

MS

“ I was blessed to attend Al's CFI Renewal Courses back in the day. He always made them an adventure because of his zest for teaching and love of aviation. We'll miss you, Al. Thoughts and prayers to the Englehardt Family. Prayerfully yours, Mark Summers

Mark Summers - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

AD

“ Al was an excellent instructor at the IDOT WINGS program with a great sense of humor. Our condolences to the Englehart family

Al Dyczek - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

EK

“ As Director of GWRRA Chapter IL-G2 it is always great to find new people with whom to ride our motorcycles. Although Alan didn't ride with us often, when he did he always had an interesting story to tell to go with his pleasant demeanor. We will always remember him fondly.

Ellary Kahan - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

PD

“ Al showed me how to be a professional when operating aircraft for personal or for business purposes, my brother and I, were attendees of his flight standards school for our private pilot certificate preparation ground school, we were always eager to listen and learn from such a professional, he never made us feel like we couldn't accomplish our goals, and we will miss his storytelling, it was always very exciting when we could hang out and talk aviation, even if I didn't see him for several years he would always recognize me and say hello. Thanks AL for helping me achieve my goal of becoming a paid pilot.

Paul Doose - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

MG

“ Thank you Allan for you faithfulness to everything the Lord gave you to do on this earth. You were a real gentleman and a pilot's pilot. We Christians WILL see you on the other side.

Mac Gregory - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

KG

“ I have known Al since grade school days at Elm Place in Highland Park, Illinois. He was a grade behind me with my brother John (who passed away in 2006.) I attended Al's 50th class reunion last August to honor my brother and had a great time talking to Al. He looked great and it is very sad that he is now gone. By chance, I became an Air Force pilot and after finishing my service commitment I became active in general aviation. Al was always my go to guy for any check ride I might need, and if there is anyone out there more knowledgeable about the FAA and civilian aviation I don't know who it would be. Al is now flying in unknown skies as all of us pilots must do one day, but that doesn't lessen the loss for his family and aviation. Pressing On, K. Hawkeye Gross, Boulder, Colorado.

k. Hawkeye Gross - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

RM

“ Al gave so much to so many people. It was an honor to have shared a cockpit with him. My sincere condolences to his family.

Rich Mashke - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

KO

“ With a heavy heart, my deepest sympathy to Allan's family. He was such a kind person. Always mentoring and helping others to succeed. The world of aviation lost a special soul. May Allan be given angel wings to fly again.

Kristin Otto - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

GS

“ Great regret about the loss of a great aviation mentor. I looked forward to any presentation Allan made. I particularly liked the Flight Instructor Revalidation Clinics.

George Stuhr - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

SS

“ I am sad to hear of the passing of Allan Englehardt. Allan worked many long hours walking the halls of Congress as we convinced Legislators that age 60 was far too young for airline pilots to retire. We were successful in getting the age limit increased to 65 and Allan was one of the prime players to get the law written. Without fail, Allan took personal time every month to travel to Washington and assist in bringing Congress to its senses. Allan contributed immeasurably to the effort. Thank you, Allan. You will be missed. Tailwinds forever, my friend.

Stan Sutterfield - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

JH

“ The first time I met Capt Engelhardt was at breakfast on our MCO layover, & my retired Airforce Col. Cousin drove in for a visit. Those two had the most delightful aviation conversation from Chuck Yeagar, aircraft types, EAA happenings, to FAA exams, and traveling spots of favorite choices. Capt. Engelhardt had a sharp memory & could remember your face from years back; very intelligent man as well as polite & personable. I'm so saddened for your loss as your loved one bright sooooo much positive influence to United and those around him. Your thoughts & prayers will be with me for ALONG time as I regarded your loved one with high pedigree capabilities. He made the world a better place, & I'm sooooo sorry you have to go thru this tragedy. The Good Lord will guide Al to the Pearly gates, but PLEASE give yourselves plenty of time to fill the void.... it's going to be a numbing experience you might want to seek out special friends who understand. May God hold you in the palms of his hands always & ever...& keep the faith. This will be a true test of character and survival. Namaste to you all. retired flight attendant Julia Helmenstine ORDSW#87993

Julia Helmenstine - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

NG

“ Tricia, Mes pensées se tournent vers toi et toute ta famille en cette période de deuil. Il n'y a pas de mots assez forts pour apaiser la douleur d'un être cher qui s'en va. Toutes mes condoléances. Anne-Gaëlle

NEFF Anne Gaelle - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

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NEFF Anne Gaelle - June 29, 2018 at 12:30 PM

KS

“ Your Airworthiness Wow! What a loss. Al would always give me flight school encouragement when he visited the campus of SIU. You will be sorely missed my friend!! God bless the family during your time of grief.

Kevin Smith - April 27, 2018 at 04:53 AM

AD

“ It is with utmost sadness to hear of the death of Al. Having flown with him for many years at United I always looked forward to being together in the cockpit with him. He was a fine pilot and a gentlemen. I remember fondly the stories we exchanged of his growing up in our town, Highland Park. My deepest sympathy to his dear family. May you be comforted in this difficult time. Know that he will be sorely missed by all who came in contact with him. Captain Al de Leeuwe United Air Lines, Retired.

Al DeLeeuwe - April 27, 2018 at 04:53 AM

JP

“ I'm so sorry about Allan. We had great fun in high school. . I'm sorry that I was not able to attend the memorial service. Words just can't express one's emotions at this time. I wish you all the best. Joan

Joan Perlman - April 27, 2018 at 04:53 AM

TG

“ Allan was one of the finest men I have ever known. Allan sponsored me into the Scramblers LTD Motorcycle Club and we shared many riding experiences together. I will never hear the words "clutches out" without the pain of the loss of Allan to this world, his family and many friends. Diana, our very best to you. (Tom and Sandi Ging)

Tom Ging - April 27, 2018 at 04:53 AM

SC

“ Wow, what a shock to hear this very saddening news. Al and I go back some 40 years, Streeterville Scramblers, trap shooting at the club, riding through the Shawnee forests in Southern Illinois, multiple goose hunting trips, and then we rode in Mexico several times where they run the Baja 500 (and we returned home with a broken foot) and the list goes on. Take care my friend as my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Scott Claghorn

Scott Claghorn - April 27, 2018 at 04:53 AM

RG

“ I am saddened to hear of Allan's passing. During my flight instructing years at Northwestern Aviation, I sent many students to him for various FAA rides. He even did my MEI and ATP. I'm very honored to have worked with him. Thank you Allen for being a solid influence in my aviation endeavors. And, allowing me to sit your jump seat, an experience I will never forget. My condolences to all his family.

Ralph Goff - April 27, 2018 at 04:53 AM

MP

“ Just now learned of the passing of Capt. Englehardt. So saddened to know he is no longer with us. I have very fond memories of attending seminars where he spoke and Flight Instructor Refresher Course's he conducted. He was a tremendous asset to the aviation community. My condolences to the entire Englehardt family. Farewell "Your Airworthiness".

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**Mark Petersen** - April 27, 2018 at 04:53 AM

BG

“ I am going for a motorcycle ride today. It is a gorgeous spring day. I will think of Al and that 1946, side-shift Harley full-dresser I sold him. I so wish we could return to those glorious days of our innocence.

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**Bradley Gore** - April 27, 2018 at 04:53 AM

MP

“ When I think of "Your Airworthiness" I can't help but smile. I enjoyed many seminar presentations and remember your enthusiasm for aviation and all you did to promote flying to people of all ages. Clear skies and tailwinds to you always.

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**Mark Petersen** - April 27, 2018 at 04:53 AM

BH

“ I have always admired you Captain Englehardt. You gave my son Dave Henneman his final FAA exam and passed with flying colors. He made Captain in 5 years. May god bless you and you will be remembered forever.

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**Brian Henneman** - April 27, 2018 at 04:53 AM