

Aircraft of the Dixie Wing

The Commemorative Air Force is an all-volunteer, non-profit, 501(c)3 organization incorporated under Texas laws for charitable and educational purposes to:

Preserve, in flying condition, a complete collection of combat aircraft which were flown by all military services of the United States in World War II. **Provide** museum buildings for permanent protection and display of these aircraft as a tribute of the thousands of men and women who built, serviced, and flew them.

Perpetuate in the memory and hearts of all Americans the spirit in which these great planes were flown for the defense of our nation.

Establish an organization having the dedication, enthusiasm and *esprit de corps* necessary to operate, maintain, and preserve these aircraft as symbols of our American military aviation heritage.

PT-26 “Cornell” Primary Trainer



This aircraft was developed and built as a primary flight trainer in the late 30s by Fairchild Aircraft Company for the US Army Air Corps. This aircraft is constructed from *wood and fabric*, and has been restored to “factory finish” condition. By the end of the war, there were 8,130 of these trainers. Today approximately 200 are still flying.

Beech C-45 “Expeditor”

Our “Bucket of Bolts” is a beautiful twin engine light transport powered by two Pratt and Whitney R-985s. These engines produce about 450 HP – each! As far as we are aware, this is the only C-45 painted in the British Royal Air Force markings, complete with D-Day invasion stripes.

Bell P-63 “King Cobra”



The “Kingcobra” is currently undergoing restoration. This rare fighter is powered by

an Allison V1710 with a two-stage Supercharger and develops 1,425 HP. The engine in this aircraft is behind the pilot to make room for the two 50 caliber machine guns and a 37 mm cannon in the nose!

Douglas SBD-5 “Dauntless”



Restoration of the Dauntless was completed in 1999. This restoration lasted eight years and was meticulous....we even custom-mixed the paint to Navy specs! This is one of *three* SBD Dauntlesses flying today. The SBD was the star of the Battle of Midway earning the motto “Slow But Deadly.” This aircraft is powered by a Wright 1820 “Cyclone” at 1,200 HP. She is the flagship of the Dixie Wing!



AT6-D “Texan”

The “Texan” is undergoing restoration.

It was built by North American Aviation as an advanced trainer and served through WW II and the Korean War. It is armed with a 30 caliber machine gun and powered by a Pratt and Whitney R-1340 producing 600 HP.



Flightworthy airplanes have a soul like no other.

The Commemorative Air Force consists of 11,000 members, over 145 vintage airplanes, and over 70 Wings, Squadrons, and Detachments located throughout the U.S.

The **Dixie Wing** of the Commemorative Air Force was approved as the 83rd CAF unit on February 28, 1987, and has since displayed its collection of vintage World War II era aircraft at airshows throughout the Southeast. Currently the wing is based at Falcon Field in Peachtree City, Georgia, with approximately 220 active members from all walks of life.

The Dixie Wing has five aircraft, with two in restoration. Members also own several vintage aircraft (a few shown below) that can be seen alongside others in numerous airshows throughout the Southeast. Through these airshows we can showcase the innovations and contributions of airpower during World War II.



Nakajima B5N "Kate"



Canadian Car and Foundry
"Harvard Mark IV"











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COME GROW WITH US!

The continued success of keeping these warbirds in flying condition is dependant upon donations of time and money. PX sales of official CAF products, airshows, fund-raising events, and private contributions are the only means the Dixie Wing has to maintain operations. *All monies are used for the maintenance, restoration, and operation of the wing's aircraft.*

Volunteers are the most valued part of our organization.

Our purpose is to allow **YOU** – no matter where you live – to **participate** in a **hands-on** way to keep the history of American airpower alive!


 For young adults (ages 13-23) we have 
 a cadet program that allows 
 participation in wing activities! 


To find out more on how you can become a member, or a cadet, sponsor an airplane, or make a donation, please visit our website at www.dixiewing.org or contact Wing Leader Jake Tryon at (770) 304-9956. You can also write us at Dixie Wing CAF, 5 Lake Coweta Trail, Newnan, GA 30263-9561 or e-mail at jtryon@numail.org.

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