## **MYRON DALE ALFRED OLSON**

OLSON, Myron Dale Alfred - Aviator - of Langley, BC passed away December 30, 2005 at age 69 after nine years battling cancer.

Survived by wife Gerdina, children Kari (Dave), Karla, Clarke (Patricia), Amelia (Mitch), and Tessa, grandchildren Megan and Mattheus, brothers Rennie (Janet) and Darryl (Sandy).

Born November 24, 1936 in Edmonton, Myron earned his pilot's licence while working the ground for Associated Airways. He was certified as an Aircraft Maintenance Engineer and flew for PWA as a bush pilot from 1955-1966 in the Northwest Territories. He joined Air Canada in Vancouver as second officer on the DC-8, retiring as captain on the Boeing 767 after 30 years of service. In his retirement, Myron co-founded the BC Floatplane Association and served as a director in the Quarter Century in Aviation Club. Also active in the Langley Aero Club, PAMEA, International 180-185 Club, COPA, BC Aviation Council and the Vintage Car Club of BC. Major highlight of Myron's 25,000 hours flying aviation career was his participation in the 1971 London-Victoria Air Race, flying a single engine Staggerwing Beechcraft.

May he fly forever with God's Heavenly Host, through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer.

Funeral to be held Saturday, January 7 at 11:00 am at St. Andrew's Anglican Church, 20955 Old Yale Rd, Langley, BC. Reception to follow at 12:30 pm at the Canadian Museum of Flight at Langley Airport, Hanger 3, 5333-216 St. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Canadian Museum of Flight in memory of Myron would be appreciated.

Myron was a supporter of the Midnight Sun Float Plane Fly-in and participated in every one. He celebrated his 50th year of coming to Yellowknife in 1955.