Commemorative Air Force

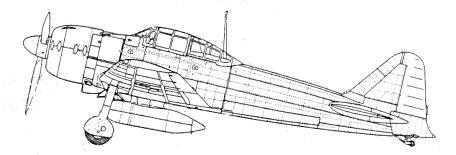
The Ghost Squadron of the CAF began in 1951 with the purchase of a surplus Curtiss P-40 Warhawk. By 1957 the interest had grown to include a P-51 Mustang for \$2,500 and two F8F Bearcats for \$1,610 in 1958. By 1960 the CAF had began the serious search for more WWII aircraft as they found that the aircraft were being rapidly and systematically destroyed. Today the CAF owns over 140 World War II aircraft with over 7,000 members and 80 Units throughout the United States and four foreign countries. The CAF is an all-volunteer, totally self-supporting, non-profit, tax exempt 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to preserving the military aviation heritage of World War II.

The CAF Southern California Wing was formed in Spring 1981 in the greater Los Angeles area. The Unit had taken possession of a C-46 transport by late June of 1981. Today the Unit has seven World War II aircraft, over 350 members, has received a number of awards for aircraft restoration and maintenance and has been one of the 10 top Units in the CAF for the past 5 years. The Unit now has a museum and gift shop at Camarillo Airport open daily 10AM-4PM. Camarillo Airport is conveniently located near the 101 Freeway between Los Angeles and Santa Barbara near the coast.

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MITSUBISHI A6M3 "ZERO" MODEL 22

Manufacture: Mitsubishi

Type: Fighter

Engine: 1,130 HP Nakajima NKIF Sakae 21

14 cylinder air-cooled Wing Span: 39ft.4in.

Length: 29ft. 7in. Height: 11ft. 5in.

Weight: Max Gross Load 5,906 lbs.

Empty Weight: 4,107 lbs.

Max. Speed: 336 mph. at 19,690 ft.

Ceiling: 36,250 ft.

Climb: 19,690 ft. in 7 min. 19 sec. min.

Range-800 nm (after 30 min. combat)

Range- 1,110 nm (after 10 min. combat)

Built: December 1942

Armament: 2 7.7 type 97 m/c guns in upper fuselage decking and 2 20 mm type 99 cannons in the wings

The CAF is a Patriotic Organization dedicated to the preservation of the World's greatest combat aircraft. All contributions are tax deductible