# Passed Members

## In Memoriam

### Remembering passed Tri County RC Club Members

John Bodnar 75 years December 20th, 1943 - December 12th, 2019

John joined the club in June of 1980 and was more of a collector of sailplane kits than flier. He ran his own government surplus business. He was a proud ex-Marine and was active in the Marine Corps League. Later in life he took up flying drones in his backyard.

Nickolas Sandor 72, July 1, 1947 – October 13, 2019

Nick joined the club in the early '80's and was very active. He dropped out for a few years and rejoined the club in .....? Besides flying mostly at the Edison field, he enjoyed fishing and camping.

Milton Silverstein 91, November 12th, 1926 – July 22, 2018

Milt spent his life as an electrical engineer and Ham radio hobbyist. He built many a model from plans and kits. He built a lot of mid-sized planes and eventually gravitated toward the smaller models and electric power. He joined the club in September of 1993 and was very active and supportive of all the club activities.





#### Edward Pochinski Jr. Age 74 October 17, 1941 - August 20th, 2016.

Eddie joined the club in the early 1970's He dropped out of the club around '99 but rejoined during December of 2005. He was very active in the club, was a past officer, and flew at every chance he



could get. He was happy building and flying many different fixed wing planes including his own designs on occasion.

Eddie was a piano tuner, radio equipment business owner, and experimenter.

Charlie Bissette age 89 July 13, 1926 - April 3rd, 2016

Charlie joined the club in August of 1971. He was an art teacher in South River, artist, model designer and builder, and the consummate fun fly contestant. Charlie is shown holding one of his many designs.



John Schwolow age 94 1921 – August 1, 2015

John flew 34 missions as a B-17 Pilot in the European Theater. After leaving the AAF he was an electrical technician for 43 years. John was a modeler in the club for only a few years before his passing.





#### Bill Keller Age 81 August 17, 1934 – May 12, 2013

Bill was a mechanical Engineer and consultant who took early retirement. He had many hobbies he enjoyed besides RC model. He was a brass musician, model railroad hobbies, driving instructor, and his favorite hobby was working on cars, especially his Porsche that he loved to race on the many famous road courses.

For many years Bill was the author of the Flypaper Newsletter's monthly column "This Month's Mystery Ship."

#### Bill Perkowski 62 years October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1950 - September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013

Bill's day job was as a draftsman. For over forty years end the evenings he enjoyed drawing and building small electric powered models. He was a member of TCRCNJ since September 2010. He was also a member of the Jersey Coast Sport Fliers.

#### Rich Dvorin age 71 August 28th, 1942 – September 2, 2013

Rich joined the club in January of 1997. Rich was a retired New Brunswick policeman. He was an instructor and past officer of the club. He kept a full squadron of aircraft in his van so they were ready for when he got the urge to fly.

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#### Doris McGrath Age 82 May 16, 1930– May 16, 2013

Doris joined the club in the early 2000's. she kept Alex Szemere and Rich Dvorin busy teaching he the fine art of model flying. Besides her love of flying, she was an active gardener, sailor, traveler, and community theater actor.

# **Robert Mackey** age 72 July 31,1938 – November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010 (Charter Member)

Bob was one of the 10 charter members of the club. He held every office in the club and some many times. As an instructor in the early years, he taught many a member to fly. He was also a very good pattern flier coach. He was the newsletter Editor along with is wife Joyce in the early 70's. Bob was a very active competitor in scale and pattern contests. Every year he made the pilgrimage to Reinbeck, New York for the annual WWI Jamboree. He was a prolific builder and built most of his models from purchased plans but on occasion was known to purchase a kit or ARF to build. He was an active model railroad enthusiast enjoying that hobby when he wasn't building or flying. He was a proud career USPS mail carrier.





Austin Kosic Age 77 August 31, 1926August 12, 2003

Austin joined the club in the early '80's and flew mostly high wing simple models. He was a character that kept us all smiling and on our toes. His day job was teaching at the Middlesex County Vocational school in East Brunswick. He left the club for a while and eventually returned in July, 1997 after his retirement. It was then that he got the bug to fly small electric models like the one seen in the photo at our East Brunswick field.



John Donnelly Sr. age 81 October 30, 1921 - May 9, 2003

Kurt A. Bingel age 55 October 10<sup>th</sup>, 1944 – May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2000

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