



Greg Topper, President



It is with great sadness to inform you that our dear friend and chapter President Greg Topper has passed away. A celebration of life will be held:

**October 15, 2022 from 3pm to 7pm
at the Vintage Clubhouse Hangar, 2710 County Road 60, Auburn, IN.**

Our thoughts and prayers will continue for Susan, family, friends, and so many people who were touched by Greg. Blue skies and tailwinds for you always dear friend.

-Vice President Brad Hartz

We would like to honor "Toppers" memory by sharing some of your memories. Please send photos, stories, activities, etc. to Marjorie Hershman (marjorie.hershman@gmail.com) to publish in our next newsletter. Thank you in advance.

Saturday Breakfast at the Hangar!

When: September 24th, 7-11am
Welcome back friends and flyers!
We hope to see you there!

VAA 37 Breakfast Fly-In Drive-In

Join us on the 4th Saturday of the month in Hangar A-Gate 3 at the Dekalb County Airport.

Price is by donation to the VAA Chapter 37.

Eggs-Pancakes-Sausage-Toast-Fruit

Summer Hours 7-11am Winter Hours 8-11am



OBITUARY

Calvin "Greg" Gregory Topper

OCTOBER 19, 1951 – SEPTEMBER 6, 2022

Calvin Gregory (Greg) Topper, 70, passed away peacefully at home on September 6, 2022 after a brief battle with cancer. Greg was born October 19, 1951 in Pike County, MO to Calvin Richard Topper and Norma Sue Givens. He graduated from South Side High School in 1971 and then worked as a machinist until his death. He had a passion for the sky and received his pilots license at the age of 16. He was a member of the Times Corners Lions Club, Quiet Birdmen (QBs), the President of the EAA Vintage Aircraft Association Chapter 37 and participated in the EAA Young Eagles. He was a loving husband, wonderful father, grandfather and a man truly loved by everyone.

He is survived by his loving wife of 41 years, Susan L. (Burton) Topper, father, Calvin R. Topper, sister, Janet Horn, his son, Gregg Hart (Jennifer), his daughters, Leslie Hovarter & Jamie Doyle, 10 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren, many nieces, nephews, cousins and two faithful companions Kujo and Eli. Preceded in death by his mother and stepfather Norma and Tudor Glassburn. "Topper 1, cleared for take off."

Celebration of life will be held on October 15, 2022 from 3pm to 7pm at DeKalb County Airport, 2710 County Road 60, Auburn, IN. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Vintage Aircraft Association Chapter 37, 2616 County Road 60, Box 3, Auburn, IN 46706 or donate through

<https://www.facebook.com/donate/1442770609484211>.

Visit our Chapter Website at www.vaa37.org

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VINTAGE CHAPTER 37

Our purpose is to promote, encourage, and foster an environment where all are welcome to join-in and become a part of the study, restoration, flight and support of vintage aircraft and the Vintage Aircraft Association of the EAA and education related thereto!

Our clubhouse is located in Hangar A, Gate 7 at the Dekalb County Airport. Please join us

Visit our website at for more details and events

www.vaa37.org

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

September

13th– Board Meeting, Clubhouse Hangar A (kGWB) 7pm

15th– VAA Chapter 37 Meeting, Clubhouse Hangar A (kGWB) 7pm

24th-Saturday Breakfast in the Hangar, Clubhouse Hangar A (kGWB) 7-11am

October

7th– Hangar Hangout, Clubhouse Hangar A (kGWB), 7pm

15th– Greg Topper, Celebration of Life, Clubhouse Hangar A, (kGWB) 3-7pm

20th-VAA Chapter 37 Meeting, Clubhouse Hangar A (kGWB) 7pm

22nd-Saturday Breakfast in the Hangar, Clubhouse Hangar A (kGWB) 7-11am

November

4th- Hangar Hangout, Clubhouse Hangar A (kGWB), 7pm

8th– Board Meeting, Clubhouse Hangar A (kGWB)

17th-VAA Chapter 37 Meeting, Clubhouse Hangar A (kGWB) 7pm

26th-Saturday Breakfast in the Hangar, Clubhouse Hangar A (kGWB) 8-11am

BREAKFAST CREW IS ALWAYS LOOKING FOR EXTRA HANDS.

PLEASE REACH OUT TO A BOARD MEMBER IF YOU CAN ASSIST.

The clubhouse kitchen is running low on extra takeout containers to store leftovers. If you have a stockpile and wouldn't mind sharing a few drop them off on the counter in the clubhouse.



Hangout at the Hangar

Friday, October 7th, 2022

Let's get together! Meet us in the Chapter Clubhouse at 7pm!

Each first Friday of the month we have an informal gathering of friends. The clubhouse is in Hangar A-Gate 3 at the Dekalb County Airport. Bring a snack to share if you wish.

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