



Harold Cheney

"KELLY" JOHNSON AWARD

This year's recipient of the "Kelly" Johnson Award for outstanding achievement in Flight Test Engineering is Mr. Harold Cheney. Harold is a pioneer flight test engineer with a career which spans four decades.

He joined Vultee Aircraft Company in 1936 following graduation from University of Cincinnati in Aeronautical Engineering. As a flight test engineer, he recorded data on a knee pad in a Vultee V-1A transport and subsequently developed the first photorecorder for the Vultee P-48 fighter. He served as chief flight test engineer at Vultee Aircraft Company and Convair from 1938 to 1956, and had several flight test management assignments at General Dynamics from 1956 to 1970. Since joining Douglas Aircraft Company in 1970, Harold has been active in the DC-10, the DC-9 and the YC-15 test programs.

Test programs with which he has been associated include the BT-13 Trainer, A-35 Dive Bomber, P-81 (first U.S. turboprop), F-102 and F-106 Fighter, Terrier Missile, MX-774 Ballistic Missile (Atlas Prototype), Pogo Stick, Convair 880 and 990 Transports, Little Joe II Booster, and F11B.

Throughout his career, Harold has been active in technical societies; a past director of the Aerospace Division of ISA; an active member of AIAA for numerous years; a charter member in the Los Angeles Chapter of the Society of Flight Test Engineers, serving as National Director for the SFTE in 1973.