



Pete with Gus Grissom (1961)



Pete and June

Peter John (Pete) Armitage

1929-2023

Peter John Armitage, age 94, passed away on July 10, 2023. He was preceded in death by his loving wife June Armitage, his son John Armitage, sister Shirley Armitage, his brother Donald Armitage, and grandson Brian Bertrand. He is survived by his sister, Wendy Holden, three sons, Mark (and Cindy) Armitage, Paul (and Penny) Armitage, and David (and Diana) Armitage as well as grandchildren Jason (and Aly) Case, Heather (and Parmesh) Krishen, Kathleen (and Kyle) Kent, Brandy (and Chris) Pedzinski, Brandon (and Doris) Bertrand, great-granddaughters, Mayla and Nora Krishen and great grandsons Colin and Connor Case, Shane Pack, Kayden Pedzinski and Theo Bertrand and many loving nieces and nephews. Peter was born in England on March 5, 1929 in England.

MILITARY EXPERIENCE:

Flight Engineer, Flight Crew, Bomber Command, Royal Air Force (retired)

EDUCATION:

He received the Ordinary National Certificate in Aeronautics, Mechanical, and Production Engineering, Southampton University, England, 1949

Higher National Certificate in Mechanical and Production Engineering (equivalent to a B.S.), Southampton University, England, 1950

Master of Science degree in Aeronautics, Cranfield Institute of Technology, England. 1957
Executive Fellow, Alfred P. Sloan School of Management, Stanford University, California, 1970

PRE-NASA EXPERIENCE:

Structural Design, aircraft and helicopter, Various aircraft companies, Great Britain (1944-1950)

Flight Engineer, flight crew, Bomber Command, Royal Air Force, Great Britain (1950-1952)

Flight Test Engineer, Fighter Aircraft Systems and Aerodynamics, Avro Aircraft, Toronto, Canada (1952-1959)

NASA INVOLVEMENT:

Peter's NASA career began at Langley in 1959 as a member of the Space Task Group until his retirement in 1986 as the Assistant Director of the Space and Life Sciences Directorate.

Aeronautical Research Engineer, Flight Operations Division, NASA Space Task Group,
Langley Field, Virginia (1959-1966)

NASA Manned Spacecraft Center/Johnson Space Center, Houston, Texas

Deputy Chief, Landing and Recovery Division (1966-1969)

Manager of the Lunar Receiving Laboratory, Science and Applications Directorate (1970-
1972)

Assistant Director, Science and Applications Directorate (1972-1976)

Assistant Director, Space and Life Sciences Directorate (1976-1986)