

FRAENCKEL, Alan USA

(1940-1995)

Sport balloonist.

K (HB/GB)

See APPENDIX-B/BF/BO/BP/CT.

Brother of balloonist Victor Jr.

b: 1940 Scotia, NY;

d: 13 Sept.1995 (age 55) Belarus Russia.

e: State University of New York, 1962.

s: U.S.Navy, Transport Pilot, 1963-67.

p: Airline Pilot (TWA) 1968-95.

f: First B-Flight 1983; FAA-Airline Transport Rating.

I: Gliders and parachuting.

I: Participated in the Trans-Australia B-Race 1988; World Thermal B-

Championships 1989, 91, 93, 95; World Gas B-Championships 1990, 92, 94; G-Bennett B-Races 1992, 93, 94, 95.

m: BFA.

f: Montgolfier Diploma-1995. ***Epic flight 9 Sep,1995 (w/John Stuart-Davis) from Wil Switzerland in the G-Bennett B-Race. Balloon (owned by

J.SOUKUP) was attacked by a military helicopter at 7200' near a Russian military base (near Minsk) and both aeronauts died on impact.

a: Carlton, NY; St.Thomas, BVI.

r: AP; NY-Times (In'tl) 17 Sep.95p3c1; Time Magazine 25 Sep.1995 p43; BL-Nov.95p25, Apr.96p11; NTSB-Report DCA95RA061.