



## Bill Glen

### Notable – Ed Yost Award

The Glen family has been involved in ballooning as a family hobby for over 40 years.

Bill Glen was raised in the San Francisco Bay Area and recalls seeing blimps and balloons as a child growing up on the peninsula. A hot air balloon flown by Deke Sonnichsen is his first recollection of seeing a balloon inflate and fly while a high school student at Menlo Atherton HS. Bill is married to Susan Glen. They have two sons, Michael and Chris, who are balloon owners and

pilots.

Bill served on a chase crew for the First World Championships in Albuquerque in 1973 and that is when it all started. He transported balloons to several events in New Mexico, Kansas, Texas and Colorado and took his first ride in Atwood, Kansas. He was one of the first Fiesta Launch Directors in 1974. He received his pilot's license in 1974, flying in many events and fiestas over the years. Bill has been a member of the Balloon Federation of America since 1974. He helped with the first BFA Youth Camp in Albuquerque serving as a dorm parent, instructor and pilot.

Bill enjoys participating in balloon festivals all over the country. He has flown in 15 states and three countries, Ireland, Canada and Mexico. Bill helped plan, organize and host over

thirty successful balloon events in Roswell, New Mexico, including the Wool Bowl Rallies and the Old Timer Balloon Rally. He and his cousin organized the first balloon events in Pahrump, Nevada, and MacArthur, California.

The largest event the Glen family participates in is the Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta. Bill has participated in 44 Balloon Fiestas. In 2002 he was lucky enough to win the Key Grab competition, winning a 2003 Ford Expedition. Four years later his youngest son Chris, also a pilot, won the 2006 key grab. They are believed to be the only father and son to have done so.



Heavens Quilt

Bill and Susie's oldest son Michael is also a pilot. He was injured in an accident March, 13, 1996 and is paralyzed from the waist down. This did not hold him back as he became the first licensed paraplegic balloon pilot in the world. Michael lives in Mesa, AZ and their younger son Chris and his family live in Spokane, Washington.

Bill and Susie currently reside in Maricopa, New Mexico. Bill worked for the Roswell Independent School District in Roswell, New Mexico for 33 years as a Physical Education Teacher and Technology Specialist before retirement. His wife Susie worked for New Mexico Military Institute. Both are enjoying their retirement years by traveling, ballooning, camping and spending time with their grandchildren.

See additional information on following pages.

Balloon Federation of America Award Program

ED YOST MASTER PILOT AWARD

Applicant Information Form

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Resume: Please provide a detailed and complete ballooning biography for the applicant that includes the candidate's history and involvement in ballooning.

Provide documentation: Provide proper documentation describing the kind of certificate(s) held by the applicant. Attach copies of documents indicating the original date of the pilot's LTA solo flight or original LTA flight certificate.

Accidents or enforcement actions: Has the applicant had an accident or Federal Aviation Administration enforcement action? Yes ☐ No ☒ If yes, please provide details on a separate sheet.

Certification of applicant: I hereby certify that the statements above regarding accidents or Federal Administration enforcement actions are correct and true.

Applicant: William Glenn SSG Certificate Number: 3710553 Date: 3/4/19

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DATE 1979	AIRCRAFT MAKE AND MODEL	AIRCRAFT Identification MARK	POINTS OF DEPARTURE & ARRIVAL		REMARKS, PROCEDURES, MANEUVERS, ENDORSEMENTS	NO. LDG.	
			FROM	TO			
10-12	RAVEN S50A	54723	ROW	LCL	SOLO TESTS 12:20	1	
10-19	Raven S50A	54521	Row	Lcl	30 min Dual-ups & Downs, Partway 3 landings	3	
10-19	Raven S50A	51521	Row	Lcl	1.00 hr Solo Very Good Job handled in middle of Row	1	
10-20	"	"	"	"	:20 Solo Man. Vent. R. H. 12:00	1	
10-24	"	54723	ABQ	LOCAL	517 Check OK SW 12:30	2	
10-25	"	54723	ABQ	Local	B.H. Troy - 9000' Max. H. Round Trip	1	
11-10	"	54723	ROW	Lcl.	Bill Troy. Level Flt. to SE over Town	1	
PAGE TOTAL						9	
I certify that the statements made by me on this form are true.						AMT. FORWARD	21
PILOT'S SIGNATURE <u>William S. Ekin</u>						TOTAL TO DATE	30

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10/21	Raven S50A	N-51521	Row	LCL	Practice Landing & Take off	1	
12/8	"	"	Row	LCL	Good Landing	1	
1-5	Raven S50A	N-51521	"	"	Practice Landing & Level Flight	1	
1-20	"	"	"	"	Diff. Instruments	1	
1-27	"	"	Chatter	Plainview	South over desert farm close approach to power lines - with tight landing	1	
2-2	"	"	Row	LCL	High wire landing	1	
2-9	"	"	Row	"	More High wire Flight	1	
went to 7000' partial Terminal						1	
PAGE TOTAL						7	
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PILOT'S SIGNATURE <u>William S. Ekin</u>						TOTAL TO DATE	7

AIRCRAFT CATEGORY & CLASS.			CONDITIONS OF FLIGHT					TYPE OF PILOTING TIME		
AIRPLANE Single Eng. LAND	AIRPLANE Multieng. LAND	CROSS COUNTRY	DAY	NIGHT	ACTUAL Instrument	AIRCRAFT (HOODED)	SYNTHETIC TRAINER	DUAL RECEIVED	PILOT IN COMMAND	
15								15		
45								45		
15								15		
20								20		
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