



# Gene Nicolo

## Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award

**Gene Nicolo has been awarded the FAA Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award. This prestigious award is issued to pilots who have dedicated themselves to aviation safety and professionalism over the years.**

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# FAA Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award to Our Senior Check Instructor, Gene Nicolo

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Gene was 18 years old and working as an automotive editor for the Chilton Book company, where he wrote two books, when he was bitten by the flight bug. He went to Northeast Airport and obtained his private, instrument, commercial, CFI, multi engine CFI and advanced and instrument ground instructor ratings. He became a flight instructor there and worked for a time and then was offered work as a charter pilot at PNE and Wings Aviation, where he split his time instructing and doing charter work. Gene decided to enter the teaching field full time and received his certifications in

both Pennsylvania and New Jersey to teach Chemistry and Physics. While teaching those subjects he earned his masters and doctorate degrees which led him to a position at Moorestown School District as the Curriculum Supervisor of Science.

While working at Moorestown he simultaneously served as an adjunct professor at local colleges including St. Joe's, Rowan, Holy Family, Arcadia, Penn State and Temple University's Graduate School of Education. At Temple, he developed and implemented a course, Aerospace Education for Teachers, which was supported by a grant from

the Pennsylvania Dept. of Aviation. Throughout this time, Gene served in the National Science Foundation's Directorate of Teacher Preparation and Enhancement and on many State and National Science committees and authored articles for science journals.

Over the years he maintained his CFI and worked part-time for a variety of flight schools including Hortman Aviation. Throughout his career he was able to get checked out in 33 different types of aircraft, including many of Cessna's single engine line up through Stationair and Turbo Centurions, and most of Piper's single and multi-engine aircraft through Twin Comanche, Aztec, Navajo Chieftain and Aerostar. He also added Mooney and Socata's Tobago and Trinidad. Gene also has some time in the right seat of a Lear 23.

He currently works part-time for the Pennsylvania Department of Education doing major reviews for university certification programs. He also serves as a Check Instructor for Legacy Aviation.

**Congratulations to Gene on this prestigious award! We are so proud of you and appreciate the wealth of care and knowledge you bring to this team!**

## GENE'S AVIATION QUIZ

- 1 When an aircraft is moved on the ramp (non-movement area) people walk along the wing tips to make sure it does not hit anything. What are these people called?
- 2 When an aircraft enters the ramp, a person directs it to a parking spot. What is this person called?
- 3 What is frontogenesis?
- 4 What is the aspect ratio of a wing?
- 5 What instrument can read Absolute Altitude?

# Flight School Graduates



## Fares Bingursain

Private Pilot License  
April 12, 2023

**Instructor:** Jerin Thomas



## Brian Heffernan

Private Pilot License  
April 12, 2023

**Instructor:** Sahal Mullan



## Max Malloy

CFII  
April 3, 2023

**Instructor:** Adam Gabriel



## Michael Marr

Private Pilot License  
April 14, 2023

**Instructor:** Tristan Weiss



## Patrick Williams

Commercial Pilot License  
April 25, 2023

**Instructor:** Jim Zararis

## Angel DeJesus

Private Pilot License  
April 20, 2023

**Instructor:** Ryan LeGrand

## Erica Carter

CFI  
April 21, 2023

**Instructor:** Jim Zararis

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# First Solos



## David Lopez

**Instructor:** Sahal Mullan



## Aiden Griffith

**Instructor:** Dalip Haxhiu



**Fly Legacy would like to congratulate Max Malloy on passing his Certified Flight Instructor Instrument (CFII) check ride**

"I want to thank Fly Legacy, as well as my instructor, Adam Gabriel, for helping me take another step in expanding my knowledge and furthering my aviation goals. I look forward to some cloud surfing with you all!" – Max



## Welcome to the team, Aubrie!

Please help us welcome Aubrie to the Fly Legacy Aviation office staff team. You will find her working the front desk on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. Be sure to stop by and say hello!

### GENE'S TRIVIA ANSWERS

- 1 Wing Walkers.
- 2 Marshall.
- 3 The development of a front, or more technically, tightening of horizontal temperature gradients to produce a front.
- 4 Ratio of it's span to it's mean chord.
- 5 Radar Altimeter.

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