



The AMA History Project Presents: Biography of EDWARD WAYNE CHRISTENSON



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Edward Wayne Christenson

March 13 was a sad day for the Christenson family for Ed Christenson, just twenty-one years old, met his death in an auto accident at Lansing, Kansas. Only a short while before he had been notified of his election to the AMA Contest Board.

Ed started modeling seriously in 1954, and accumulated a remarkable record in a very short while. His biggest achievement was winning a place on the U.S. Nordic Glider team in 1957. He was the Grand Champion and Senior Champion at the Tulsa Glue Dobbers' meets in both 1957 and 1958. He held the Senior ½A R.O.W. record. He won or placed in modeling events all over the country, accumulating sixty or more awards.

Ed will always be remembered by his modeling friends. Even though he was younger than many in his group, he would often defeat all comers on the contest field. He led a life of doing what he wanted to do, and doing it well.

Ed loved to design and fly free flight models. His models were known throughout the country, but most of his modeling friends will remember him because they just plain liked him.

Our sincere sympathy goes out to Ed Christenson's family and friends.

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