

I was going through old QST Journals and a short article caught my eye. “Silent Signals” it appeared in the December 1994 issue of the hobby magazine. Since nautical was my trade, the Flag Hoist communication flags caught my weary eyes.

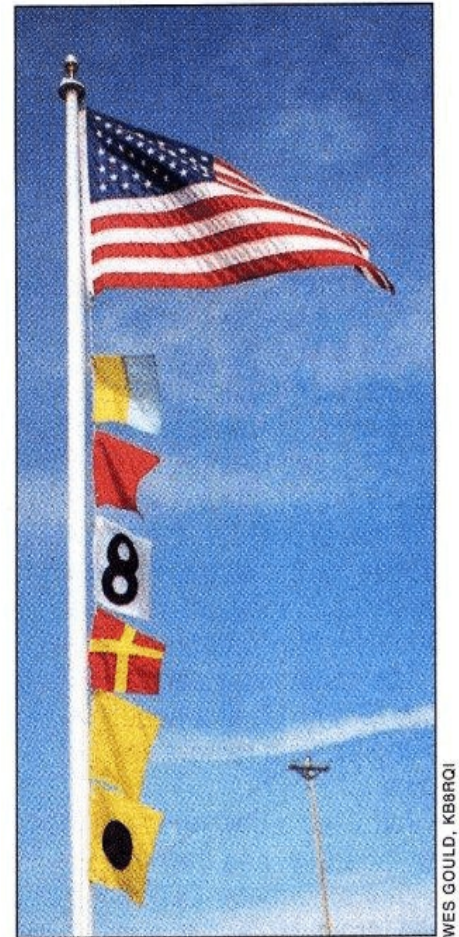
December 1994 - “Silent Signals - When Wes Gould, KB8RQI, of Urbana, Ohio became a ham last December, his wife made him these signal flags that spell out his call sign.”

We were curious to learn who Wes was and what became of him. He apparently came from the Massachusetts area born in 1913 and report he expired in 2003. Arthur W. Gould last residence was from Urbana, Ohio, Champaign County and his ticket lapsed in 2006.

I love what his wife presented him and it was wonderful that he got to express himself in ham radio even though only for a short time.

Since I came from that area and served there for several years in Public Safety, remembering fondly Grimes Air Port and all of the vapor trails filling the skies going to and from Dayton’s very busy Vandalia, Ohio airport.

I never had the opportunity to work Wes but he and his wife are remembered this day (16 June 2009)



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