

Lt. General Francis (Butch) Griswold RET-USAF *KØDWC* 1904-1989 - Vice Commander in Chief, SAC. Butch was a native of Erie, PA - A graduate of "The Ohio State University" He enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps in 1928 and was a fighter pilot in World War II. Promoted to Brig. General in 1944 serving the 8th Fighter Command in England.

The remainder is history. General Griswold's final assignment was Commandant of the National War College in Washington, a post he held until his retirement in 1964.

Licensed in 1939 held the calls; W3IXM, W2NRV, W6UFT, KG6AAF and W4OTZ. He enjoyed automobiles for another hobby. During the mid 50s General Griswold and General Curtis LeMay put Collins radio gear on an Air Force plane (C97 in our background) flying around the world staying in touch with Offutt AFB, Omaha, Nebr the whole time. They used the famous Collins KWS1 and 75A4 combination.

This proved the concept of HF SSB for Air Force use and allowed them to convert to this mode of communication without incurring extensive research and development costs. Butch

expired at age 84 of heart failure in Laguna Hills, Calif. Survived by his wife and two daughters and six grandchildren.



General Griswold is in the center and Art Collins WØCXX owner and CEO of Collins Corp. right.