Martha W3RFG Added Part II. - Martha and Charlie Brooks were both Civilian Employees at the near by Naval Air Development Center Warminster, Johnsville, PA - It grew to be one of the leading Naval Air research labs. Your author read, Martha's position was administration inventory services. She was very active on the ham bands from her home using military surplus equipment



Warminster Naval Air Warfare Center had quite a bit of history from its beginning as a Air Craft plant called Brewster Aircraft. It morphed into Johnsville Naval Air Station and then Warminster NADC - U.S. Navy call sign (NJP)

Warminster was home to one of the earliest and largest human centrifuge used for Mercury astronaut training. The entire operation was closed in 1996 due to military re-organization.

Martha and Charlie didn't have very far to travel to work from Hatboro. I hope they both had an opportunity to retire and enjoy life in their senior years. I doubt they would be very happy knowing that the Air Station would no longer exist in 1996. The area now is now commercially developed.

Pictured W3RFG Martha Brooks of base administration, operating Navy Base Warminster ham station K3NAL with trustees looking on. Picture taken February 1960. First rate equipment in the photo, the Collins 75A4 and military transmitter.

To the Memory of Martha Brooks W3RFG. By W8SU 2008

