

# John Denver

Aircraft Owner Interviews

John Denver loved flying. He spent his life pursuing what he loved. While it wasn't his father's idea for John to be a musician, John's love for flying became a passion to bring his pilot father and himself closer together.

Aviation came into John's life when he rented Learjets to travel on his music career. It was the early seventies when John and his good friend Lowell Norman spent so much time flying Learjets that they became buddies with their pilots. The pilots knew Lowell had a keen interest in flying and getting his license, so they gave him a set of Jeppesen manuals. Later, John borrowed the manuals from Lowell and the next thing he knew, John was sporting a private pilot's license. A year or so later, he was licensed and rated for jets, and purchased a Lear. Lowell never saw the manuals again.



John's passion took him in many aircraft directions, including the Barron Hilton Cup for soaring, and his father, John Sr., sharing this passion together. John wrote his father a song of such which he sung at his father's funeral. And was replayed at John's funeral.

John's passion for flying followed him to the end. Can you think of anything you would rather do choosing a last request? John, we will miss you - as a reader of *Michael's Flying Adventures*, as a musician and social activist who has touched so many lives, as a friend, and as a fellow pilot in the skies.