Inducted in 2001, Larry and Jean Waltrip of Williamsburg became the first husband and wife team to be inducted into the Virginia Aeronautical Historical Society’s Virginia Aviation Hall of Fame. In 1967 they began construction and the process to obtain State and Federal permits for a private owned/public use airport. The Williamsburg-Jamestown Airport was officially opened September 20, 1970 after opponents appealed it all the way to the Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals, which ruled it a safe and viable airport. They have continually improved their airport and have kept it in operation for the past thirty-one years serving as the aviation doorstop to Colonial Williamsburg and the surrounding area.