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## Frank Victor Burton

(1908-1972)



*Pilot Frank Victor Burton at Blatchford Field, Edmonton.*

During Edmonton's bush-flying era, Frank Burton was one of the first pilots and engineers.

Frank Victor Burton was born in Edmonton on May 5, 1908. In 1927, he joined the Edmonton and Northern Alberta Aero Club where he obtained his pilot's license and air engineer's ticket.

As a bush pilot, he flew throughout the Yukon, northern Alberta, and the North West Territories while keeping up with maintenance procedures. Frank Burton eventually became one of Canada's first holders of the A, B, C, and D categories of the air engineer license.

With the outbreak of the Second World War, Frank Burton became chief engineer at No. 16 Elementary Flying Training School in Edmonton, which was later moved to Bowden as No. 32 EFTS. He became the manager in 1943.

After the war, he helped reorganize the Edmonton and Northern Alberta Aero Club into what is now the Edmonton Flying Club. He became associated with Western Airmotive in 1946

but retired from full participation in aviation a year later.

From 1955 until 1957, although retired, Frank Burton agreed to work in maintenance services for Bradley Air Service. As an air pioneer, he became a member of the Edmonton Quarter Century Aviation Club in 1963, and he passed away in 1972 at the age of 64.

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