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Gordon Moul

Gordon Robert Moul was raised and educated in Port Alberni. At 15, he and a friend, Ron Connolly bought an aeroplane and Gordon received his private pilot's licence at 16. Three years later he had his Commercial licence and started work with Port Alberni Airways, founded by his older brother Jack. In 1953 the company was taken over by PWA, which later became Canadian Airlines. Over 40 years and 33,000 flying hours after joining Port Alberni Airways, Gordon retired from Canadian Airlines International. He flew Waco's, Fairchild 71's and 82's, progressing to Boeing 767 and Douglas DC10.

In 1972. Canada agreed to accept 4,400 Asian Ugandans and Air Canada, CP Air and Pacific Western transported them from Entebbe to Canada. Gordon Moul was one of the pilots who took part in this venture.

He said of the flight:

"The flying across the Sahara was beautiful, at night the odd light twinkling the desert. That was my favourite flight of all"

The grim scene in Entebbe disturbed him profoundly for the rest of his life:

"I couldn't believe what I saw there. People were being rounded up, shot, brutalized. Those who made it to the airport were allowed to leave with only what they could carry. It was a horror show, just a terrible thing"

In 2014 Gordon received a Citation for Bravery from Prime Minister Stephen Harper for his part in the Uganda evacuation.

During his career Gordon served as Council Chairman with the Canadian Pilots Association. After he retired he bought and developed TeePee Campground and Trout Farm at Cultus Lake and later had a large cattle farm, Torwoodlee in Sardis.

Two of Gordon's, brothers Jack Moul and Bob Moul are also named on the Port Hardy Mural.

Born: October, 1931
Vancouver

Died: 16, July 2019
Qualicum Beach

Family: Wife Sybil
3 sons, 2 daughters
5 grandsons,
1 granddaughter

Pilot

Port Alberni Airlines

Pacific Western Airlines

Canadian Airlines

Citation for Bravery