



Henry Schindler

Henry started flying in WWII when he flew Junkers and Messerschmitts for the Luftwaffe. He was shot down three times over the English Channel.

After the war ended he immigrated to the USA where he flew with Pan American Airways. He arrived in Canada in 1953 and flew for Queen Charlotte Airlines staying with the company when they were acquired by Pacific Western Airlines in 1955. He served as Pacific Western Chief Pilot B707 flying passengers and freight worldwide. When the B707 was retired from the fleet he became Captain on Boeing 737 domestic operation and flew some charters to sunshine vacation destinations.

When PWA acquired B767's Henry transitioned to a "glass cockpit" Captain until his retirement in August 1985 with 32,000 hours flying time. He had the reputation of being something of a "character".

A glass cockpit is an aircraft cockpit that features an array of electronic (digital) flight instrument displays, typically large LCD screens, rather than traditional analog dials and gauges. While a traditional cockpit relies on numerous mechanical gauges (nicknamed "steam gauges") to display information, a glass cockpit uses several multi-function displays and a primary flight display driven by flight management systems, that can be adjusted to show flight information as needed. This simplifies aircraft operation and navigation and allows pilots to focus only on the most pertinent information

Born: 30 July 1925
Germany

Died: 20 November 2016
Sechelt, B.C.

Family: Wife Liz
First wife: Hedda dec'd

Daughter, Karin dec'd
Son Ruffo

Luftwaffe

Queen Charlotte Airlines

P.W.A.

