

Just a typical day for pilots flying reconnaissance missions during the Vietnam War with no defensive weapons, no autopilot and no radar. To add to the thrill, when approaching surveillance targets, pilots had to "pop-up" to U

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about 18,000 feet to get the right angle for photographs - in just 40 seconds.

It took a year to coax stories like these out of Retired Major Edward M. Greer, but now his daughter shares them with the public.

"Never Fly a Broken Plane" is not filled with heartwrenching tales of war, but rather focuses on lighter stories, told as if you were sitting around the Greers' kitchen table.

Documenting Major Greer's life is like explaining how "a funny thing happened on the way to the office" -- except his office was a cockpit, and his jobs included being a reconnaissance pilot, a test pilot and flying in Alaska during the Cold War.

Through these pages, which read like tall tales, you'll meet a man who is humble, has a wicked sense of humor, and is a true optimist.



Major Edward M. Greer,1956

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