

1981

APRIL 12

SPACE SHUTTLE ERA BEGINS WITH THE LAUNCH
AND RETURN TO EARTH OF *COLUMBIA*,
FOLLOWED IN THE DECADE BY *CHALLENGER*,
DISCOVERY, *ATLANTIS* AND *ENDEAVOUR*

1983

JUNE 13

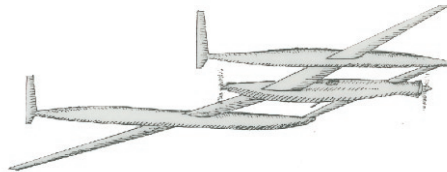
PIONEER 10 BECOMES FIRST SPACECRAFT
TO LEAVE OUR SOLAR SYSTEM
AND EXPLORE THE EDGES
OF INTERSTELLAR SPACE

1986

AH-64A APACHE ATTACK HELICOPTER IN USE

1986

DECEMBER 23



ALL-COMPOSITE PLANE *VOYAGER*
COMPLETES FIRST AROUND-THE-WORLD FLIGHT
WITHOUT STOPPING OR REFUELING

1989

FIRST PRODUCTION VERTICAL LIFT AIRPLANE
V-22 TILTROTOR OSPREY

1980'S

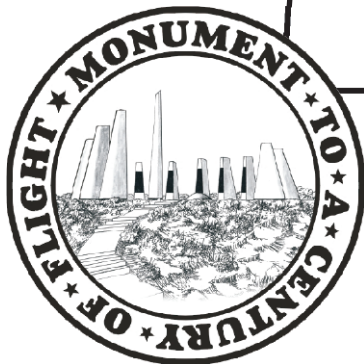
UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES ADVANCED
FOR INTELLIGENCE/RECONNAISSANCE OPERATIONS

1980'S

F117A STEALTH FIGHTER INTRODUCED
FIRST OPERATIONAL AIRCRAFT DESIGNED
TO AVOID RADAR DETECTION

1980'S

INTRODUCTION B-2 "FLYING WING" BOMBER
INCORPORATING STEALTH TECHNOLOGY



PYLON 13

Monument to a Century of Flight
Kitty Hawk, North Carolina