

Melvin N. Gough

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Inducted in 1978, Melvin N. Gough began his career as a mechanical engineer at the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (later NASA) in 1926 at Langley Field, Virginia. In 1929, he became a NACA experimental engineer-test pilot, and by 1943 he was appointed Chief of the Flight Research Division. Gough assisted in establishing the NACA High-speed Flight Station at Edward's AFB, CA. He received the Chanute award for "outstanding contributions by a test pilot in the field of aeronautics" and the Flight Safety Award for his efforts in promoting safety.