

Robert Edward Sieker

Robert Sieker has lived in Kerrville for 70 years, and remembers when “you didn’t do much because it would get back to your daddy.” He also remembers the football games and the floods but most of all, it was flying that really got his attention. He took his first flying lesson in Kerrville and after a stint in the Air Corp during World War II, he continued his flying career when he returned to Kerrville and purchased Kerrville Flying Service. He converted a duster airplane to drop grass seed on local ranchlands and then got involved in the state’s screw worm eradication program, dropping sterile flies all around the area. He started a short-lived airline between Kerrville and Houston was instrumental in convincing the Mooney Aircraft Corporation to come to Kerrville. And during all this time, he owned and ran ranches in South Dakota and Texas—flying a Bonanza between locations, logging about 30,000 hours in the process.

Cross References:

Texas Rangers
Flood of '32
Louis Schreiner Field
Kerrville Flying Service
Roy Morris Flying Service
Screw Worm Eradication program
Mooney Aircraft Corporation
TransTexas Airline

Names:

Ruby Spiller Sieker
Gay Sieker
Lamar Sieker
Carl & Rosalie Meek
Adolf Stieler
Dan Moran
Charlie Dugosh
Chet Houston
Tex Benedict
Bruno Shultz
Bill Taylor