

Loney Receives 50-Year Founding Member Award

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Lt. Col. Kirk Loney recently received a 50-Year Civil Air Patrol (CAP) Founding Member Certificate from CAP National Commander Brig. Gen. Warren Barry.

CAP Founding Members are those whose membership dates back to the period of December 1941 to December 1942.

Col. Loney enlisted as pilot and later became commander of the Reno Air Squadron -- Nevada's first CAP squadron. As a CAP pilot, Col. Loney flew many missions for the U.S. Army Air Corps, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Air Force, Washoe County Sheriff's Office, Reno Police De-

partment, and the Nevada Highway Patrol.

He became a member of the Nevada Wing staff in 1950, and served in 19 positions including inspector general for 17 years. Col. Loney has served as president of the Gen. Dale O. Smith Air Force Association (AFA) chapter in Reno, and was one of two Nevadans to receive the Medal of Merit from the national AFA president.

Col. Loney was instrumental in establishing the Carson Composite Squadron, and served on the Carson City Airport Reconstruction Board. During his CAP service, he has received many awards includ-



***Lt. Col. Kirk Loney
Nevada Wing Historian***

ing the Red Baron Award, and is now Nevada Wing's historian.

During the time Col. Loney resided in Reno, he served as District Governor, President of the Reno Exchange Club, and was a member of the Washoe County Sheriff's Aero Squadron.

Work activities have included ownership of the Carson City Travelodge, serving as Board Chairman of the Intercontinental Advertising Agency, and employment with Nevada Bell, Pacific Bell, and AT&T.

