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FRONTIERS OF FLIGHT MUSEUM HOSTS WINGS OF FREEDOM TOUR AND OFFERS NORTH TEXANS AN ULTIMATE FLYING EXPERIENCE IN VINTAGE WWII AIRCRAFT MARCH 28-April 1

*Tour Features WWII Bombers and Fighter Aircraft;
Highlights Interactive Displays and Unique Flying Experiences*

DALLAS (March 12, 2018) -- The Frontiers of Flight Museum, 6911 Lemmon Ave. at the southeast corner of Love Field Airport, will host an exciting, once-in-a-lifetime flying experience and exhibit that's sure to be a crowd pleaser for the whole family! The museum will feature the **Collings Foundation's Wings of Freedom Tour in Dallas March 28-April 1 in honor of our WWII Veterans.**

The Wings of Freedom Tour, Presented by the Frontiers of Flight Museum, will bring extremely rare bomber and fighter aircraft to North Texas for a local living history exhibit as part of 110-city nationwide tour. Best of all, visitors at the Frontiers of Flight Museum will not only get a chance to view the interactive display, they will actually have an opportunity to "fly into history" aboard these legendary aircraft. Visit: <https://www.flightmuseum.com/wings-of-freedom/>.

Aviation enthusiasts of all ages will be "flying high" when they see the vintage **Boeing B-17G Flying Fortress "Nine-O-Nine" WWII heavy bomber, Consolidated B-24J Liberator "Witchcraft"**, the North American **B-25J Mitchell "Tondelayo"** and the **Bell UH-1E "Huey" Iroquois**. The tour also welcomes one of the newest additions to the Foundation's historic fighter aircraft, **TF-51D Mustang "Toulouse Nuts."**

This is a rare opportunity to visit, explore, and learn more about these unique and rare treasures of aviation history. The B-17 is one of only nine in flying condition in the United States, **the B-24J is the sole remaining example of its type flying in the world.** The P-51 received the prestigious Grand Champion award for restoration. The B-25 is best known as the type of bomber that flew the infamous Doolittle Raid, and the Huey helicopter was originally flown by Medal of Honor recipient Stephen Plessy in the Vietnam War.

Visitors are invited to **explore the aircraft inside and out.** Special admission prices are \$15 for adults and \$7 for children under 12 for access to up-close viewing and tours through the inside of the aircraft. Includes entrance into the Frontiers of Flight Museum. In addition to the general public, local veterans and their families are encouraged to visit and share their experiences and stories with Museum guests.

"We are delighted to welcome the return of Wings of Freedom Tour to the Frontiers of Flight Museum," says **Cheryl Sutterfield-Jones, President Frontiers of Flight Museum.** "It's an honor to join the Collings Foundation to recognize this flying tribute to the flight crews who flew them, the ground crews who maintained them, the workers who built them, the soldiers, sailors and airmen they helped protect; and the citizens and families that share the freedom that they helped preserve."

The B-17, B-25 & B-24 were the backbone of the American effort during the war from 1942 to 1945 and were famous for their ability to sustain damage and still accomplish the mission. Despite the risks of anti-aircraft fire, attacking enemy fighters, and the harrowing environment of sub-zero temperatures, many B-17s and B-24s safely brought their crews home. The P-51 Mustang was affectionately known as the bombers “Little Friend” – saving countless crews from attacking Axis fighters. After the war, many aircraft were scrapped for their raw aluminum to rebuild a nation in post-war prosperity and therefore very few were spared. The rarity of the B-17, B-25, B-24, P-51 and Huey helicopter - and their importance to telling the story of WWII and Vietnam is why the Collings Foundation continues to fly and display the aircraft nationwide at special venues like Dallas’ Frontiers of Flight Museum.

The Wings of Freedom Tour at the Frontiers of Flight Museum will offer participants plenty of amazing opportunities for visitors to earn aviator bragging rights. Guests will explore **these majestic aircraft inside and out and learn more about these unique and rare treasures of aviation history.**

Although flight experience is not required, some adventurous fans will have an incredible chance to accomplish one of their “bucket list” goals by experiencing the **once-in-a-lifetime opportunity** to actually **take a 30-minute flight** aboard these rare aircraft. Flights on either the B-17 or B-24 are \$450 per person. Get some “stick time” in the world’s greatest fighter! P-51 flights are \$2,200 for a half hour and \$3,200 for a full hour. B-25 flights are \$400 per person. Huey flights are \$80 bench / \$100 front. For reservations and information on flight experiences **call 800-568-8924.**

The Wings of Freedom Tour, presented by the Frontiers of Flight Museum, will arrive at Dallas Love Field at 1:30 PM on March 28 and will be on display at the **Frontiers of Flight Museum at Dallas Love Field** until the evening of April 1. Hours of ground tours and display are: 2:00 p.m. through 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 28; 10:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. Thursday, March 29 through Sunday, April 1. The 30-minute flight experiences are normally scheduled before and after the ground tour times above.

For more information call: 214-350-3600; email info@flightmuseum.com; or visit www.flightmuseum.com. To reserve a flight experience, call the **Collings Foundation: 1-800-568-8924.**

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