

Alabama Flying History Timeline



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| 1910 | Wright Brothers Flying School founded on the site of Frank Kohn Plantation in Montgomery. The first night flight was made by trainee Walter Brookins. |
| 1918 | Maxwell Air force Base in Montgomery created on the previous location of the Wright Brothers Flying School. |
| 1920s | Stunt pilots entertain crowds in circus-like flight shows called barnstorming. Famous pilot, Charles Lindbergh, barnstormed Alabama in 1924. |
| 1927 | Charles Lindbergh in his plane, <i>Spirit of St. Louis</i> , arrived in Birmingham in October after his historic New York-to-Paris trans-Atlantic flight. |
| 1929 | Squadron Commander Walter Weaver made the first of its kind air drop of food, clothing, and medical supplies to victims of massive flooding in south Alabama. |
| 1941 | Tuskegee Airmen, an all black flight program, began with the formation of the 99 th Fighter Squadron under command of African American Captain Benjamin O. Davis Jr. |
| 1969 | The space rocket, Saturn V, which was made at Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville, Alabama, propelled the space capsule that landed on the moon into space. |
| 1992 | Alabamian Dr. Mae Jemison became the first African American Women to travel in space when she was an astronaut on the space shuttle <i>Endeavour</i> . |

Use your imagination and think of a future Alabama flight milestone:

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