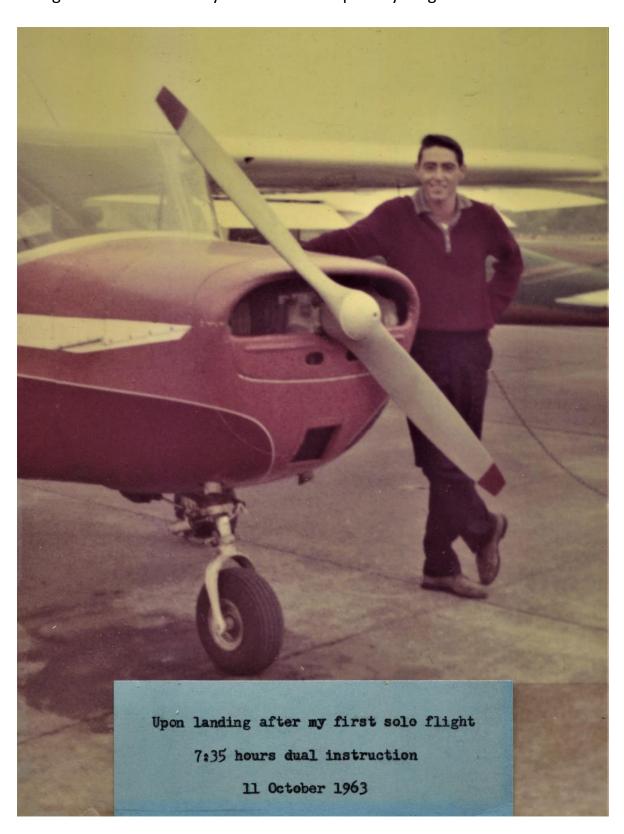
October 11, 2023, marked the 60th anniversary of my first flight in command, which was from Renton Airport near Seattle. The aircraft was a mighty Cessna 150, N5852E, I did two touch and go's and a full stop. After 25,000 hours I still remember that first takeoff. Blasted off singing "off we go into the wild blue yonder" at the top of my lungs!



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My flight training was conducted through an Air Force ROTC program during my senior year at the University of Washington. My other studies took a major hit for the first two months of that quarter. I took a pretty light load and somehow squeaked by my finals.

I completed the Private Pilot course and passed my FAA check ride on November 27, 1963. The nation was still in mourning, but on that day I was pretty happy.

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