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B-29s to again reunite at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2025

Superfortresses 'Doc' and 'FIFI' to each attend 'World's Greatest Aviation Celebration'

EAA AVIATION CENTER, OSHKOSH, Wisconsin — (February 5, 2025) — The world's only two flying examples of the Boeing B-29 Superfortress will be back this summer at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2025, supporting the 80th anniversary of the end of World War II and post-war aviation technology. The 72nd edition of the Experimental Aircraft Association's fly-in convention is July 21-27 at Wittman Regional Airport in Oshkosh.

The two B-29s have made only about a half-dozen joint public appearances since first flying together at Oshkosh in 2017. Three of those appearances have taken place at [EAA AirVenture](#), including in 2024.

"As AirVenture is the world's largest annual gathering of warbirds, bringing these two iconic aircraft together is another of those 'Only at Oshkosh' moments," said Rick Larsen, EAA's vice president of communities and member programs, who coordinates AirVenture features and attractions. "These airplanes are big favorites wherever they appear separately, but together they will make the occasion even more unforgettable."

As currently scheduled, each airplane will spend time featured on EAA's Boeing Plaza. *FIFI* will be on display on July 21-23, while *Doc* will take centerstage for display on July 24-27. The airplanes are also scheduled to make a formation flight at the beginning of the July 23 night air show. When not on display at Boeing Plaza, flight experiences on *Doc* July 21-23 will be based at Appleton International Airport, approximately 20 miles north, while *FIFI* will be in Appleton for flight experiences on July 24-27.

FIFI is owned and operated by the Commemorative Air Force's [B-29/B-24 Squadron](#) of Dallas, Texas. It was acquired by the CAF in the early 1970s when a group of CAF members found it at the U.S. Navy Proving Ground at China Lake, California, where it was being used as a missile target. The airplane was rescued and restored, then flew for over 30 years until 2006, when the chief pilot made the decision to ground it pending a complete power plant re-fit. After an extensive four-year restoration that included installing four new custom-built hybrid engines, *FIFI* returned to the sky in 2010 and has since traveled coast to coast. More information on flight experiences will be available soon at <https://www.airpowersquadron.org/>.

Doc was built in 1944 and for many years was part of a squadron known as the Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs in upstate New York at Griffiss Air Force Base (hence, the name *Doc*). The airplane was retired in 1956 as the jet bomber age began and sat as a target for Navy training missions in China Lake, California, until 1998. A restoration group took possession of the airplane from the U.S. government and hauled it back to Wichita, Kansas, in pieces in 2000. After 16 years and more than 450,000 volunteer hours, *Doc* made its first flight after restoration in July 2016, 60 years after it had been retired. Flight experience information for *Doc* at Oshkosh is available at <https://www.b29doc.com/rides/>. *Doc* is owned and operated by Doc's Friends, Inc., a non-profit based in Wichita.

About EAA AirVenture Oshkosh

EAA AirVenture Oshkosh is “The World’s Greatest Aviation Celebration” and EAA’s membership convention. Additional information, including advance ticket and camping purchase, is available at www.EAA.org/airventure. For more information on EAA and its programs, call 800-JOIN-EAA (800-564-6322) or visit www.EAA.org.