



PROFILE – CAPTAIN HARRY COCKRELL



- Born December 5, 1919; Charleston, West Virginia
- Learned to fly seaplanes on the Kanawa River
- U.S. Army Air Forces pilot in WWII; flew the Hump
- Remained in China after WWII; joined CAT in 1946
- Married May Kuo in Peiping Nov. 1946; attempted to evacuate her family from Kunming in 1948
- **Jan. 1947:** Delivered the first C-47s to Lunghwa Airfield, Shanghai
- **1947:** Appointed one of three area managers along with Lew Burrige and Bill Freeman



Young Harry



Harry and Mary Cockrell



First C-47s to Lunghwa Airfield

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- **1950:** Co-captained 15-person Korean trade mission through Asia; as tensions rose, returned mission to Seoul two days before Korean War began
- **~1952:** Lost power flying Stinson L-5, made emergency landing in a paddy field near home in Taipei, flipping the plane; pulled out by local farmers
- **1954:** Participated in the air evacuation from Indochina
- **April 1960:** Captained DC-4 that evacuated Syngman Rhee from Seoul to Honolulu



Capt. Seigrist & Cockrell



Stinson L-5



As acting Director of Operations with Cora Tsai

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Convair 880 Cockpit

- **1960:** One of two pilots who initially qualified to pilot the Convair 880 jet after training in San Diego
- **~1968:** Moved to Yokota, Japan with Southern Air Transport; also spent time in Vietnam with Air America
- Flew eight years for Air Jamaica out of Miami, before retiring to Alameda, California in 1982
- Spouse: Mary Cockrell
- Sons: Bryan Cockrell, Jere Cockrell, Harry Cockrell



Air Jamaica

Profile – Captain Harry Cockrell & Mary Cockrell





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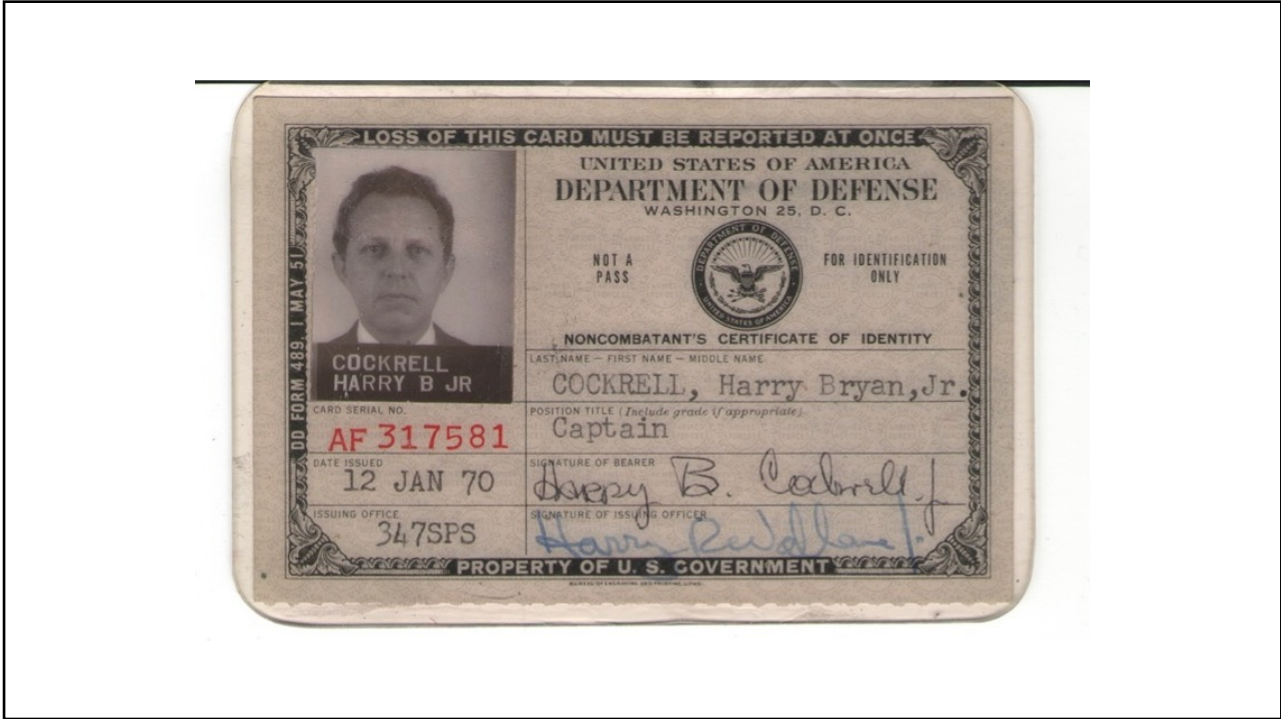
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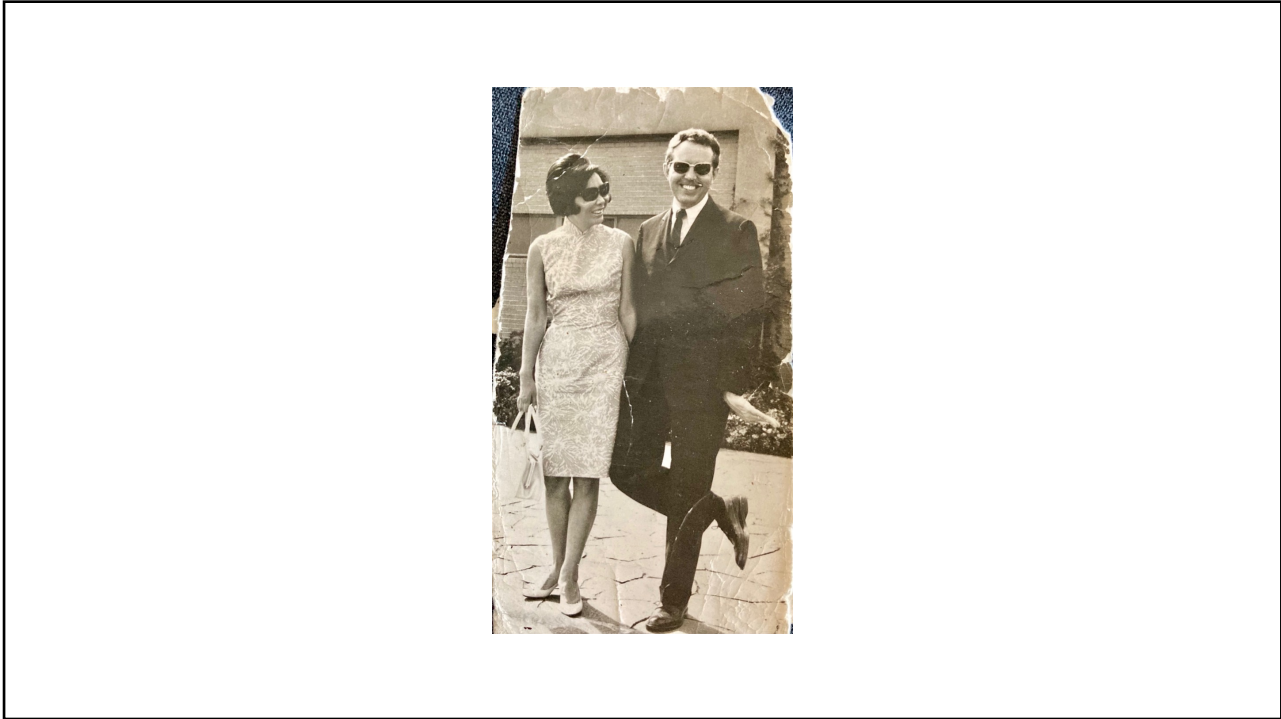
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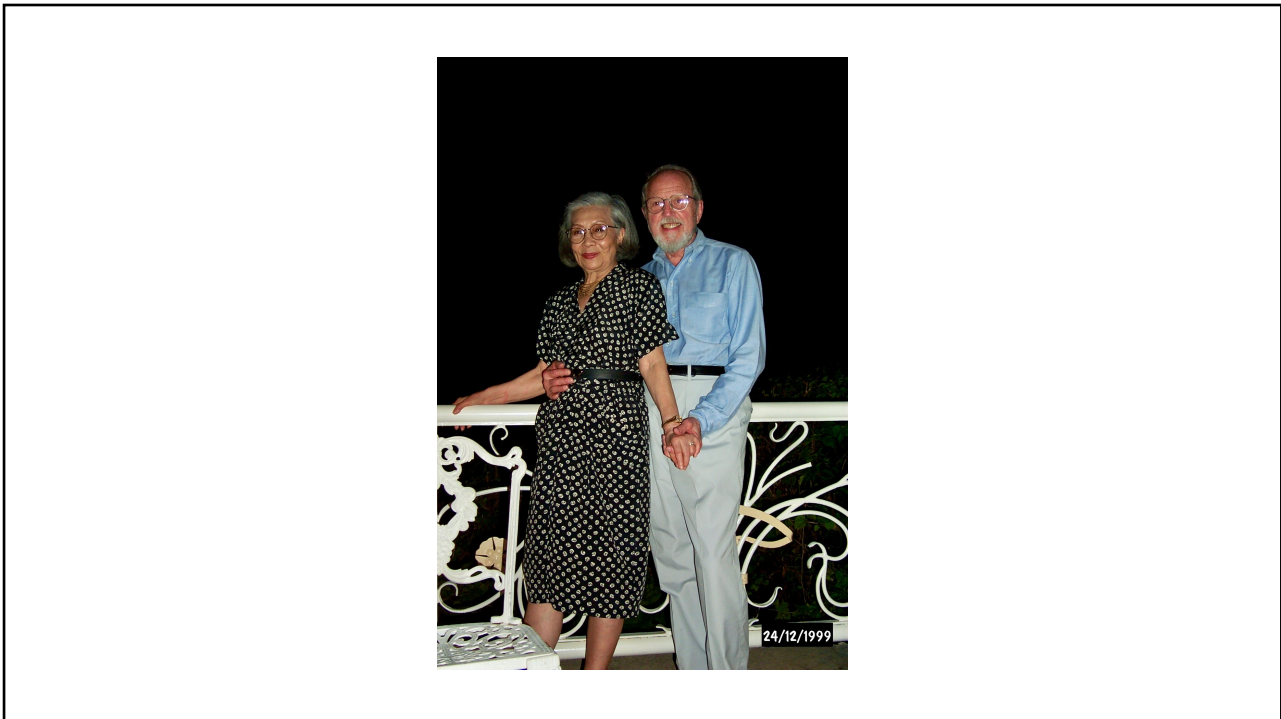
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