



## FLYING TIGER LINE FLIGHT ATTENDANT HISTORY 1947 – 1989

### “THE WAY IT WAS”

#### EVENTS:

- 1947 – First male Purser  
Post World War II  
Curtis C -47 and Douglas DC-3 flew from 1946 - 1951
- 1951 – First female Stewardesses  
Korean Conflict  
Curtis C-46 flew from 1949 – 1961  
Curtis C-54 flew from 1947 - 1957
- 1953 – Seattle crash  
Douglas DC-6A flew from 1953 - 1958
- 1958 – Tachikawa crash  
Lockheed Super H Constellation flew 1957 – 1967
- 1962 – Aircraft disappeared between Guam and Clark AFB, Manila  
Atlantic ditching  
Super H Constellations  
Canadair CL-44 flew 1961 - 1969
- 1964 – First formal Flight Attendant training  
El Al Charters
- 1967 - Vietnam Conflict  
Boeing 707 flew 1966 -1969  
Douglas DC-8 flew 1968 – 1989
- 1974 - 1989 Boeing 747 – 100  
Nov 9, 1977 - Air line deregulation  
Metro  
Hadj  
Inter-Governmental Committee for European Mitigation  
Desert Shield  
Desert Storm

#### FLIGHT ATTENDANT BASES:

Burbank  
San Francisco  
Los Angeles  
Newark, New Jersey

Tel Aviv  
McChord AFB, WA  
Travis AFB, CA  
New York



## **Chief Pursers, Chief Stewardesses & Chief Flight Attendants**

### **1940s**

Art Wehl  
John Weil

### **1950s**

Billy Welch Garrick  
Olive Parker  
Marjorie "Magee" Thompson  
Verna Williams  
Vye Corrington  
Eve Matot  
Anne Pedroncelli  
Marion Claire  
Betty Fields  
Vye Kusner Benedict

### **1960s**

Vye Kusner Benedict  
Margaret J. Hough  
Ina Collins Fine  
Brenda Brown  
Mary Lou Taylor

### **1970s**

Margaret J. Hough

### **1980s**

Margaret J. Hough  
Kathy Styer

### **1990s**

Margaret J. Houg

## **Former FTLPA Flight Attendant Representatives**

1999 to 2001 - Martha Maxham  
2002 to 2004 - Judie Esler  
2004 to 2005 - Judie Esler and Robin Pestarino  
2006 to 2016 - Robin Pestarino

## **2018 Flying Tiger Line Pilots Association Staff**

John Dickson - President  
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***The Officers and Membership of the Flying Tiger Line Pilots Association wish to honor the service and the dedication that the Flight Tiger Line flight attendants have shown over the years to the company, the passengers, the crews, and to this association. Their contributions to the success of our former airline and the Tiger Spirit instilled within all of us will never be forgotten.***