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To whom it may concern:

I, Jamie S. Treat, am the owner of Aircraft Restoration and Repair LLC. I have known Dave and Jeanne Allen for 24 years since my move to Kelly Airpark in Elbert Colorado in 2020.

I have had the pleasure of working with this husband and wife team for 24 years on various restoration projects. Almost on a daily basis. I was very impressed with the amount of detail and commitment that they had to restoring a perfect aircraft. Their attention to detail was self-evident on the level of restoration and the awards that followed.

When it came to professional behavior there was none higher. Both were very safety conscious when it came to their equipment and the operation of such. The details that went into flight planning were far above ordinary. Jeanne would plot out the entire route across the USA with alternate routes as needed. They would choose specific airports that catered to antique aircraft with grass runway environments. Jeanne would highlight the entire route for obstacles for 20 miles each side of the route. They utilized Foreflight on the I-Pad and also the I-Phone. In addition, they would use the Garmin GPS and paper maps as backup. Dave was like me, never trust electronic hardware, have a backup. Weather was always a decision factor on staying or going. They were not in any rush to get anywhere. Dave and Jeanne had established set rules on not flying at night or in bad weather. Scud running was out of the question. If they were tired or the weather was questionable it was their commitment to stay on the ground and wait it out. Visit with friends or make new ones. The highlight for them was seeing the countryside and visiting friends along the way.

Dave's flying ability was of the highest caliber. I have flown with Dave on many occasions and all I can say is Dave was a natural born pilot, absolutely gifted. In my 50 years of flying, I have only encountered a few pilots with his talent and natural ability. I would trust him with my life.

Sincerely,

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