

Location: Keesler FamCamp, Biloxi MS      Date: 18 May 2015  
Departed: Kinder 9:00 AM      Arrived: 2:25 PM      Miles: 269  
We stopped for fuel in Gulfport, MS - about 6 miles west of here. We also stopped about an hour and a half west of here in LA for lunch. This is a nice campground with some nice old trees. I picked the site without looking and it doesn't have any trees. It seems the sites remaining with trees are the back in sites. After hooking up the electric and water and deploying the stabilizers I went to the BX to replace the two cups that got broken. I got two cups with the Air Force Logo on them that say U S Air Force, Keesler AFB, Mississippi.



Location: Keesler AFB Fam Camp, Biloxi, MS      Date: 19 May 2015  
We went to Mobile, Alabama to the Battleship Park. There floats the USS Alabama in apparently very good shape. They also have a pretty good selection of aircraft on display in a hangar. This keeps the aircraft from the fading effect of the sun. However, they have a B-52D of the Vietnam Era on display outside and it must have recently been painted. Its black belly was shinny and the camo top color was crisp. It looked ready for an Arclight mission except it didn't have pylons on each wing. They also had a SR-71 Blackbird on display outside but it appears that that was temporary and that it is usually kept inside because there is space for it inside. The aircraft inside are mostly Navy – AD-1, 2-F-17s, F-14, A-4, F-8, A-6, Air Force – F-16, F-15, P-51 and an assortment of helicopters. The airplanes inside suffer from clutter – there is too many descriptive posters that interfere with viewing the complete aircraft. On the way home I topped off the tanks and stopped at the BX for a couple of things and a Baskin-Robbins ice cream.



Location: Oak Grove Park, NAS Pensacola, FL      Date: 20 May 2015  
Departed: Biloxi 9:00 AM      Arrived: 11:45 AM      Miles: 130

We stopped at the Florida Visitor Center to get some information on getting to NAS Pensacola. Doris went to the commissary to get some milk. Later I went to the National Museum of Naval Aviation. It's a nicely laid out display of aircraft. There is generally enough room to photograph a complete aircraft in most cases.



Location: Oak Grove RV Park, NAS Pensacola, FL      Date: 21 May 2015  
I went to Eglin AFB to visit the Air Force Armament Museum this morning. It is a museum that displays many of the weapons that have been tested by the test organization at Eglin. Most of the non-nuclear weapons are tested by the test organizations at Eglin. They have or had the delivery aircraft assigned to Eglin. This included tactical fighters and interceptors and some cargo aircraft such as the C-47 "Spooky" and the C-130 "Spector." Many of these aircraft are displayed. Most of them are outside. The outside aircraft includes some Air Force favorites SR-71, B-52G. Surprisingly the AC-119 "Stinger" gunship wasn't on display. Inside space was quite limited for aircraft with two Republic favorites – P-47 Thunderbolt and F-105 Thunderchief. I stopped on the way back to the trailer to get a Rotisserie chicken and ice cream and a couple of rolls of quarters for the laundry. Doris did the laundry after I got back and I went to get the fuel tanks filled. I then hooked up the trailer and drained the tanks. I took I shower in the park's showers.





Location: Birmingham South CG, Pelham AL      Date: 22 May 2015  
Departed: Pensacola 8:10 AM      Arrived: 12:30 PM      Miles: 243  
We made one stop in a Rest Area. It was mostly divided highway except for the secondary roads to connect in Florida. I disconnected the trailer and connected the water and electric then I went to visit the Southern Museum of Flight. This is a small museum that appears to be the effort of the local flying club and EAA chapter. There are two wings to the museum one is military aircraft and the other is Experimental and models. In the first wing are some very good life size Dioramas of WWII training aircraft and one depicting the defection of a Korean pilot with his Mig 15 to a Sabre base. The Experimental and model wing had a model of the WWII aircraft carrier Enterprise with scale models of the appropriate period and a model of the Cruiser Birmingham. Both models were about eight feet long and very detailed.



Location: Birmingham South CG, Pelham, AL      Date: 23 May 2015  
We didn't go anywhere today. I printed the pages of my diary for this trip so far.





Location: Robbins AFB FamCamp, Robbins AFB, GA Date: 24 May 2015  
Departed: Pelham 8:30 AM Arrived: 1:30 PM Miles: 232  
The gate that we were told we had to enter was closed.  
However, in a short time an air policeman arrived and opened  
the gate. It was a circuitous route to the Fam Camp but it was  
worth it. It is a very nice campground near a couple of small  
lakes. It's only twelve dollars a night and the base police come  
by about every couple hours.



Location: Robbins AFB FamCamp, Robbins AFB, GA Date: 25 May 2015  
We went to the Local Museum of Aviation this morning. It is  
very good museum that is supported by the local Air Force  
Base. It has several cargo aircraft as well as the standard B-  
52, SR-71, F-4 and a scattering of other fighters. The interior  
displays are very well done. The museum has a whole section  
dedicated to Robert Scott, the AVG pilot that wrote the book  
"God is My Co-Pilot." After the museum we made a search for  
a gas station to buy diesel fuel. Having not found one to my  
satisfaction we came back to the trailer for dinner. We both  
took showers and I decided to get fuel at a place we passed  
up while looking that had reasonable prices. Then I drained  
the tanks and hooked the trailer up to the truck.

