Piper Flitfire (J3 Cub)

The Piper Flitfire derived from a program to aid Royal Air Force casualties and their families following WWI. The Flitfire was a J3 Cub of a different color with its special silver finish and RAF insignia. In 1941, a Flitfire was built and named for each of the then 48 U.S. states, plus one additional aircraft donated by Piper.

The J3 Cub was designed to fly at tree-top level and is widely recognized for its yellow paint. It was a popular training aircraft at the time and was produced in large numbers during WWII as the L-4 Grasshopper.

The success of the program aside, most of the Flitfire aircraft were years later repainted the traditional yellow Cub color. Alamo Liaison Squadron was among the first to ressurect the scheme and honor the Flitfire special edition.