

IN MEMORIAM
DAVID R. METS
1928–2019



We pay tribute to author, scholar, and warrior Dr. David R. Mets, lieutenant colonel, USAF, retired. Between 1965 and 2013, Dr. Mets produced over 80 print and e-books, papers, articles, and book reviews—the majority with Air University Press. His works cover such topics as airpower, technology, NATO, and military leaders, spanning the early twentieth century until today (see <https://www.airuniversity.af.edu/AUPress/> and <https://www.worldcat.org/>). He graduated from the US Naval Academy and was commissioned a US Air Force officer, eventually flying the B-25 and C-130 gunship. Dr. Mets earned a PhD in history from the University of Denver, co-founded the Air University School of Advanced Air and Space Studies (SAASS), and served as a professor for the first 13 graduating classes. He will be remembered fondly by Air University faculty, friends, colleagues, and students and sorely missed by Air University Press. We salute Dr. Mets for his innovation and contribution to the study and discussion of airpower and the legacy he leaves to the Department of Defense and the Airmen of today and tomorrow.