

Patrick P. (Red) Doyle W8BFT *1905-1975* Preferred Pat or Red. Of Cleveland (Rocky River) A pioneer radio operator OOTC Member 1607 - Red's first two way QSO in 1919 recorded in OOTC "SP" Spark Gap. Fraternal member of the QCWA.

From Ham register 1958; Band Leader and RCA Marine Radio Dealer. USCG Auxiliary, U.S. Power Squadron; Civilian Police; Kiwanis; VFW - West Lake Yacht Club; Prior Service USNR - a son and one daughter. Hobbies included Photography, Navigation, Instructor Boating; USCG Auxiliary. Operated the National Air Races in Cleveland.

Enlisted US Military 1942-1945 - It was noticed Red had remarks in this QSL dated March of 1953 that he was a Band Leader. Further checks revealed a Piano Musician, Orchestra Leader, Music teacher. Appears he was not a nationwide figure.

It was found Red's final days were in Long term care facilities N. Olmstead Ohio. We have a few QSL cards on hand. Our QSL dated 1953 (Courtesy K8CX Collection) stated Doyle was using an RCA RadioMarine transceiver on 160 meters, Model ET8044 which appears.

Red's burial Holy Cross Cemetery Brook Park Ohio in 1975. The rig Red was using was an old RCA Shipboard transceiver tuned for Top Band. (Pictured below) W8SU 2018

