

Tony Pototzky Bio

In 1979 Tony Pototzky started his work in aeroelasticity that included the areas of flutter, gust loads, buffet and flight controls encompassing the subsonic, transonic, supersonic, and hypersonic flight reschemes. He also participated in several aeroelastic tests in the TDT (Transonic Dynamic Tunnel). One major result that came from his research: a method that computed the largest gust loads in aircraft structures obtainable from standard atmospheric turbulence. Tony was also recruited to help NASA in four mishap investigations. By mostly using probability methods, he produced results that determined the possible cause of the accidents. The highly pleasing research work ended the year NASA turned hundred years old (2017).

Tony eased into retirement to take care of over one hundred azalea, rhododendrons, camellia, and hydrangea bushes growing in his yard. To keep active, on most days he takes walks and jogs in his quit Breezy Point neighborhood. He also goes to the local family YMCA to exercise. Using his knowledge of aero thermodynamics, he still does some research on tornado modelling where he found that the core pressure within a tornado can drop by 1 or 2 psi below the sea level pressure of 14.7psi. These lower pressures also can bring down temperatures in the core below freezing. Finally, he spends some time studying investment and financial strategies and also possibly future travel adventures.

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