



Steve Markman (of blessed memory)

Woodworking

How did you come to be an artist?

Because Steve had trouble reading, his parents gave him model airplanes and cars to build by reading the directions. Eventually, Steve threw the directions away and began creating his own models.

How is it that you came to select this particular piece (pieces) of work?

These pieces exemplify some of Steve's many intricate pieces of work. Due to the fact that this medium is so multi-dimensional, this type of artwork is difficult to capture in a picture or photograph.

How does the work you are exhibiting fit into Steve's Jewish journey?

In later years, the research it took to make these ships as an exact replica gave Steve more interest in learning about his Judaism.

Biography

Steve was the middle child born on Veteran's Day 1947. He was a quiet child who liked to make things or figure out how to fix something. He had an early love of airplanes and studied aerospace engineering at The Ohio State University, went into the United States Air Force and became a missile maintenance officer. He separated from the military and was hired as a civilian at Wright Patterson Air Force Base. His entire career involved research aircraft. While working, he started to get very interested in naval military ships and switched his love of aircraft to making model ships. He worked on these models up to the week before he died on January 2, 2024.

(Information provided by Helen Markman)