

First in Flight

The Carolina coastline was the place
Where two Ohio men began the race
To fly above the earth's secure embrace
Thus leading to the depths of outer space.

Their first attempts were almost a disgrace
Until they made adjustments to replace
The faulty parts that slowed their rapid pace.
We thank the Wrights for what they had to face.

These Outer Banks were clearly the birthplace
Providing what would be a new showcase
For travel to significantly outpace
The land-sea means that had become the base
For how we moved ourselves from place to place,
Eventually becoming commonplace
For privileged and all the populace

The air became a military chase
Creating heroes like the flying ace,
And Air Force jets that comfortably encase
Brave pilots who command their planes with grace.
Their memories we won't quickly erase.



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