



# *In Contrast*

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## *Aging Air Force Aircraft*

**An Illustration with TV Shows  
The Age of the Air Force Fleet  
1955-Present**

**AFA Policy/Communications**

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*Educate*

*Advocate*

*Support*



# 1955



**Above: B-52 Stratofortress**

**Right: GE Theater**



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*Advocate*

*Support*



# 1956



**Above: U-2 Dragon Lady**

**Right: Ed Sullivan Show**



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1957



**KC-135 Stratotanker**



**What's My Line?**

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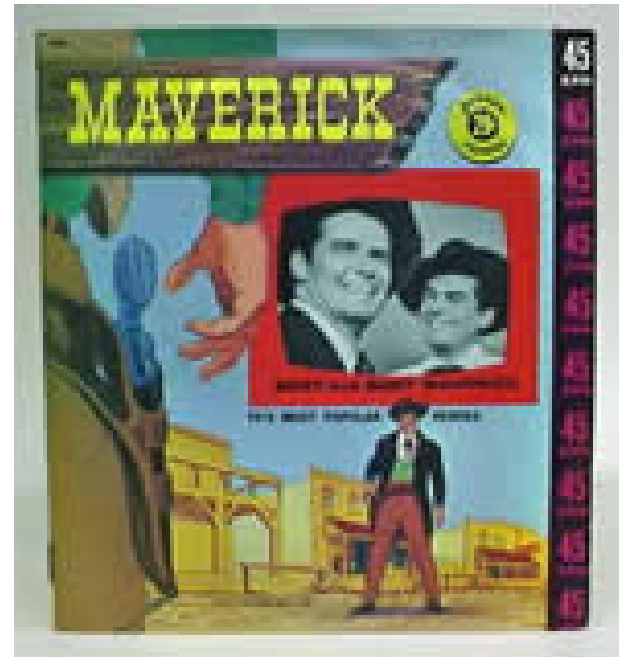


# 1958



**Above: C-130E Hercules**

**Right: Maverick**



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1970



**Above: C-5A Galaxy**

**Right: Gunsmoke**



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1973



**RC-135 Rivet Joint**



**Kojak**

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# 1975



**F-15 Eagle**

**& A-10 Thunderbolt**



**The Six Million Dollar Man**

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*Advocate*

*Support*



1977



Above: E-3 Sentry. Below: A-10a



Laverne & Shirley



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*Advocate*

*Support*



1979



**F-16 Fighting Falcon**



**The Waltons**

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*Advocate*

*Support*



1982



**Above: KC-10 Extender**  
**Right: Remington Steele**



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*Advocate*

*Support*



1983



**F-117 Nighthawk**



**The Jeffersons**

*Educate*

*Advocate*

*Support*



1986



**B-1b Lancer**



**Perfect Strangers**

*Educate*

*Advocate*

*Support*



1989



**F-15E Strike Eagle**



**Cheers**

*Educate*

*Advocate*

*Support*



1995



**C-17 Globemaster III**



**Coach**

*Educate*

*Advocate*

*Support*



1997

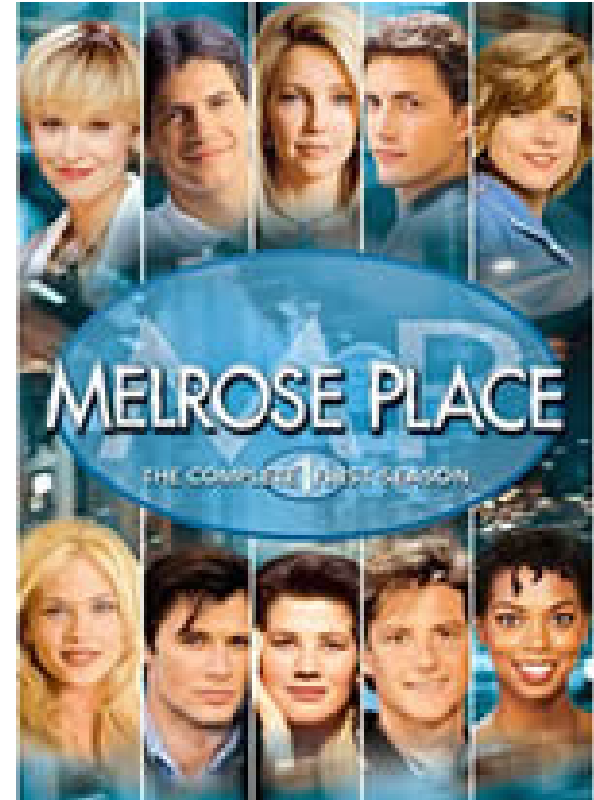


**B-2 Spirit**

**E-8 Joint Stars**



**Right: Melrose Place**



*Educate*

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*Support*



2003



**MQ-1 Predator**



**The Simpsons**

*Educate*

*Advocate*

*Support*



**2005**



**F-22 Raptor**



**The West Wing**

*Educate*

*Advocate*

*Support*