

We encourage people that have dealt with us to express in words how our deeds have met their needs.

Joey Rhodes Testimonial:

For many years I have fantasized over the Bell 47. From the Batcopter in the 60's, Mash and of course Elvis Presley escorting Ann Margaret in "Viva Las Vegas", I fell in love with this chopper! I had never seen one or flown in one.

I found the Bell 47 Facebook Group and joined it. I posted a question in the group and Joey Rhodes answered. I wanted to learn more so I asked Joey if we could talk. Joey spent an hour with me answering my questions and so I ordered his book! It opened up a whole new world to me and I got excited about the possibility of actually owning one!

I got my private pilot certificate 3 years ago in an R-44. I hired Joey as my broker and on August 15th I closed on my very first helicopter . . . a Bell 47-G4A!

I can't imagine going through this process without Joey. He negotiated a great price and saved me from making some very expensive mistakes.

Most of all he's knowledgeable and has years of experience navigating a somewhat complex process. He answered hundreds of my questions in the months prior to my purchase.

He has all the connections and introduced me to a team of skilled and knowledgeable people that helped with the Pre-Buy, Insurance, Escrow, and relocating the helicopter after purchase.

I'm grateful that I met Joey. He doesn't sugarcoat anything. He was looking out for my best interest all along the way.

Jordan Adler author of "Beach Money."

I wanted to describe my experience in buying a Bell 47G2, using the services of Mr. Joey Rhodes:

As a novice helicopter owner, I really had little idea of the intricacies and potential pitfalls in acquiring a Bell 47 which is, in my opinion, the best value of any helicopter made. Being a "vintage" ship with many variations of year and model, it would be very easy to either overbuy, or buy a potential money pit. The first thing Joey did was to ascertain my needs and goals for helicopter ownership. After this, we began the search for the perfect fit of ship and owner.

After finding a beautiful -47, Joey discovered a wealth of historical data about its origins and various owners. Fortunately, this data was more reassuring than concerning, but it was comforting to know that he had extensive information about -47's in general, and this ship in particular. He also arranged to send a Bell 47 expert A&P/IA out for the pre-buy inspection. During the inspection he discovered that the engine mount was an older type that required a mandatory replacement! He was gracious with the seller, and helped him understand that we would need to discount his (reasonable) asking price by the cost of the replacement. This was done, and I bought an excellent helicopter at a fair price.

This would NOT have been possible had I not engaged Mr. Rhodes for the acquisition!

Joey Rhodes delivers what he promises. It is truly a "one stop shopping" experience, and he earned his commission several times over.

In summary, I think that the best words that describe Mr. Rhodes are experience, professionalism, and integrity. If you are looking to acquire a helicopter, you will definitely receive VALUE from Joey Rhodes!

Regards,

Randy
Randolph Mahoney

What a great experience I have had doing business with Joey Rhodes of New Whirlybirds Inc. His knowledge and expertise in the field of Bell 47 sales and acquisitions paid off in a very timely manner for our company.

Joey's professional approach and guidance through the helicopter transaction process made things easy, quick, and stress free.

I would definitely recommend this guy to represent anyone that's in the market to buy or sell a Bell 47 helicopter.

Sincerely,

Steven N. Wilson, Inland Aviation Inc. President

I have been in the Bell 47 business for many years. **Joey has always treated me with respect and we have a professional business friendship.** I accordingly have done business with Joey.

When B47HA first started, Joey called and felt it was important that I become a member. He has actively supported our safety programs with the resources of B47HA. Recently our own Gifton McCreary was honored, as I was in 2005, with being inducted into the B47HA Hall of Fame of which Joey is also a honoree.

Joey is easy to talk too and keeps focused on serving his customers. I look forward to working with Joey in the future.

Scott Churchill

SCOTTS HELICOPTERS & SCOTT'S BELL 47

We have greatly appreciated your expertise on the purchase of our Bell 47 G2's and Inventory.

"Your advise was spot on - as well as your availability for advise."

We look forward to keeping a long working relationship with you and your staff.

Best regards,

Bell Mountain Helicopters LLC

I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the dedication of Mr. Rhodes, for

his proficient, courteous and steadfast endeavor to accomplish the task at hand and to bring all parties

together for a successful sale. **"In these troubled times, Joey is a breath of fresh air."** I would highly

recommend to anyone who wishes to purchase or sell a helicopter to retain this man. **"This is the man to**

go to," - to get straight answers and very good, reliable advice to make sound decisions with. **"It has been**

**good doing business with Joey and the highest compliment I can pay
this man is - I trust him and would**

fly his wing anytime!"

Best regards,

Charles G. Twomey

Joey Rhodes marketed my helicopter and helped me get it sold. The transaction went extremely smooth due to Joey's expertise and constant coaching. I value his work very highly. **"He has gained my trust and I would recommend him to anyone in the industry."**

Mike Oberholzer
President, LZ Aviation

Thank you so much for the time and effort extended in the preparation of the appraisals for my two bell 47 G3B1's.

"We found them to be fair, impartial, and extremely detailed."

"Your service was very timely and competitively priced, with a quick turn-a-round time."

Best Regards,

Michael Jacob,

Black Hills Aerial Adventures, Inc.

I was extremely pleased and excited to read your wonderful article on the Bell 47 and the Association in the March 2008 issue of Rotorcraft Professional Magazine. I am sure it is not done often enough, but you are to be congratulated for your continued energy in promoting the Bell 47 and the Association. Please accept my sincere thanks for the things you have done and continue to do for Bell 47 enthusiasts and owners like myself.

You are by far our best asset!

Best regards,

Dick Hausfield, Madison WI.

(Dick passed away recently. He will be sadly missed by all.) Joey

I fully recommend, without hesitation, Joey Rhodes for any Bell 47 appraisal.

I contacted Joey Rhodes with no prior experience in the industry and needed someone to make a honest, sincere, and true judgment on the value of two Bell 47 helicopters. Joey did so in a way that brought true value and expertise to me and the bank. **Joey took the time to explain everything that he went over and completed an in depth report for my files.**

If you need an appraisal for a bell 47, I fully recommend Joey Rhodes.

Luke Bakker

GreenStone Farm Credit Services

Credit Analyst

I have been in the helicopter business for 25 years and had the pleasure to work with Joey on many occasions. **Joey is a consummate professional and I have the utmost respect for his continued contribution to the helicopter industry, and for his unflagging commitment to continued safe and productive operations for Bell 47 owners around the world.**

When it comes to rotary-wing aviation, whatever your needs, **Joey is a trusted resource** and friend and I look forward to working with him for years to come.

Shane Eddy

SGE Aerospace Consulting, TX

Special Note: (I was pleased to work with Shane when he was the Vice President of BHT Support. Shane continues to be a sincere friend to the Bell 47....Joey)

Re: Thanks For Being A Great Expert Witness.

Dear Joey,

I am writing to offer my sincere thanks and appreciation for the excellent work you did as

our expert witness in the recently settled litigation regarding accidental damage to a Bell 47 helicopter. I found your work to be prompt, professional, of the highest professional caliber and quite reasonably priced. I thank you for always being available to answer my questions and to help us expeditiously cut to the heart of the issues before us. ***I can assure you that the case***

would not have settled without the high quality work of a truly "expert" expert witness such as

yourself. Should I ever be in the need of another expert regarding the Bell 47 helicopter yours will be the ***only name on my list of potential experts.***

Please feel free to use my name as a reference and to refer anyone seeking a Bell 47 expert witness to me so that I can personally give them my highest recommendations regarding

Joey Rhodes and New Whirlybirds, Inc.

Sincerely,

ROBERT J. GUNTHER

ATTORNEY AT LAW

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

To those that may consider the services of Joey Rhodes (Mr. Bell 47);

I fully recommend without reservation, Mr. Rhodes, for anything related to the Bell 47. His knowledge, skills, abilities, honesty, and fairness qualifies him to be known as Mr. Bell 47!

I contacted him and explained that I had NO KNOWLEDGE of the Bell 47, but wished to buy one and learn to fly. I purchased his book and now know why it is referenced as "The Bell 47 Buyers Bible"! He worked with me as an educator to a pupil! Once I was able to understand and use the knowledge he bestowed upon me, we began the search for the Bell 47 that was best suited for me. Mr. Rhodes then provided me with valuable information that led to my purchase of a Bell 47!

I have a fantastic relationship with the past owner! I am learning to fly at Dutch Country Helicopters in Lititz Pennsylvania (they are excellent!).

I cannot thank Mr. Rhodes enough for his assistance in - helping a dream come true!

Nick Segina of Wisconsin

Dear Joey...

Thank you very much for sending me the latest version of your "bible", after my hard drive crash. I hope that this testimonial helps others to make the investment in your very worth while book. I know that it is long winded, but I had so much to say

Thank you again.

I have had a special place in my heart for a Bell 47, since I saw my first Whirleybird episode. I was sitting on the floor, watching the show, in front of my Grandmothers black and white television, back in the 60's. Some day, I still hope to be an owner myself. I purchased Mr. Rhodes' book over a year ago. I still do not own a helicopter. Partially because I read "the book", that should really be called "The Bell-47 Bible". I have cooled my heels in my helo search because #1 I want to be a qualified buyer and #2 I want to be able to afford the hidden costs of owning a 47, before jumping into such a large investment. (The hidden costs are only hidden to those who did not read the book). Mr. Rhodes' network of professionals are here for you. The cost of this book will be returned 1000 times with just that one tip that you knew nothing about. I am a working fixed wing research pilot and when the time is right, I will transition to rotorcraft. I will not make one single move without contacting Joey Rhodes. Joey has written

the Holy Grail on Bell-47's. When you read it for yourself you will understand why I invested my time to write this testimonial.

I live on a grass strip airport and one day a 47 came in for fuel. I naturally spoke to the pilot and found out that he was just ferrying his newly purchased helo to a field, located about 10 miles away. He asked me if I would like to ride over with him. Of course, I jumped at the chance. I was so taken by the Bell-47 that I lost site of everything I had read. We landed safely at the destination. The next morning the new owner was flying back to our field for our monthly fly-in breakfast and made it 3 minutes from take off to the crash site. He suffered an in flight, engine out. The helicopter was destroyed in the crash, and the fire that followed. The pilot and passenger escaped with minor injuries but the chopper was a total loss. As it turns out the pilot/owner did not read Joey's book. He bought a piece of junk that almost cost me my life. That experience further reinforced my need to

place my trust in Joey Rhodes, and his book. ***I hope that my experience***

will convince others to trust in a professional, that has a plethora of

Bell-47 knowledge, and a life time of networking with other Bell-47

owners, operators, pilots, underwriters, and parts people, and to invest

in this valuable book. It most assuredly could save your life!

Aviation is about preparedness. You wouldn't fly over the ocean without a life vest so why would you buy a Bell-47 without reading this equally valuable piece of protection?

Michael Ryder

Research Pilot

ISL Bosch Aerospace

Mr. Rhodes,

Just got the new PDF form of the e-book "How to Buy & Sell a Bell 47 Helicopter. "Absolutely fantastic! **You have provided a great book to help people that want to find out more about the 47.** I am impressed with your detail.

Steve Schuler CA.

Mr. Rhodes,

I want to thank you for saving me a ton of dough on a worthless piece of xxxx that some guy in Florida was trying to pass off on me. When I asked if it was a military ship - he lied. I faxed him the data plate info you showed me how to find online and he has yet to return my calls. His plan was that I was going to wire \$25k and he said he would deliver it.

HA! I came within 48 hours of losing \$25k if it had not been for your book which laid out the scam almost word for word. I heard of your reputation and now I am proud to be a benefactor of your guts to take a stand and fight for people like me that are just wanting to fulfill our dream of owning a Bell 47.

Thanks again for the heads up on insurance too. **I found out what you said on the first page is very true - most people should not be in the helicopter market. I almost found out the hard way.** I can only say thanks and say my book investment saved me \$110,000 - and a divorce from my wife.

Buck Wendeler, OH

Hi Joey

Thanks very much for your book "How to Buy a Helicopter."

I was so fortunate to find out about your book - before rushing off and making a hasty purchase.

It has been 27 years since I have had anything to do with 47s and your book made me realize how much I had forgotten. It has-certainly given me much to ponder.

I think you could market the book to a much wider audience as your comments would help in the pre purchase negotiations for any type of aircraft.

I will keep in touch.

Kind regards.

Bill Reid

New Zealand

e used Joey to help sell our helicopter. He was courteous and kept in contact with us throughout the complex process. He screened many buyers that could have taken advantage of us. We picked him to handle our ship because we heard of his reputation from a mechanic. We felt we would be under his protection from scams. Thanks to him our helo has found a good home. Both the buyer and us are satisfied and the buyer had a helo within a week of speaking with Joey. The buyer's pre-buy was thorough and we learned a lot of good things about our helo we never knew thanks to the B47HA approved IA that conducted the two day inspection to help the buyer. PS. We had our money in the bank when it was promised.

"But then, that is why, we called Joey - he's the best!"

Don & Pat from New York

I bought a US manufactured Bell 47 back in 1997 and spent the intervening years happily flying here in the **UK**. However with a growing family I

reluctantly decided to sell my Bell 47 and invest in a four seat helicopter. A year later I was no nearer to selling this well maintained aircraft and just seemed unable to plug into interested parties.

I hooked up with Joey and learnt more about the history of my Bell 47 in a couple of week than the previous 9 years. His global helicopter knowledge, thorough appraisal and extensive contacts were amazing.

Although Joey is US based within weeks he was able to provide UK and European prospects each carefully screened to make sure they where genuine buyers. With his help and guidance I subsequently sold my helicopter within three months to a UK buyer he'd recommended.

If (when) I want another Bell 47 - Joey will be my "first and only" port of call.

I have absolutely no hesitation in recommending Joey. I found his professionalism, integrity, clear speaking approach and high level of service very refreshing.

Regards

Sol, United Kingdom

I've been thinking about buying a helicopter for a while and have enjoyed looking at various pictures on the web, but realized I know about as much about evaluating and buying a helicopter as I do about goat farming in the Himalayas.

I searched for a book like "Helicopter Buying for Dummies" and found Joey Rhodes' book.

While he deals exclusively with Bell 47's, this book helps frame the issues you should really be focusing on with any helicopter purchase.

If you're going to buy a helicopter you should probably either be an expert or hire one.

If I decide to buy a 47, Mr. Rhodes would be the first one I'd call.

Tom Yocom

The scam artist had my wife and I hooked and we were ready to wire the \$125,000.00 for our dreamboat helo. By referral from a very watchful friend we ordered the book Mr. Rhodes wrote - "How to Buy a Helicopter." In it we could see the scam we had been drawn into and how it was playing itself out. We told the crook we had decided against the sale. He really gave us a cussing and told us Rhodes was ruining his business. We then started to ask him questions that were on the 15 point checklist in the book and he hung up. You see, there was no helicopter and the pics he sent us were of another ship which Mr. Rhodes proved.

I think there would have been some really hard feelings here at home had I lost our life's savings.

We now have Mr. Rhodes looking for a nice affordable Bell 47 for us.

We do not have to lay awake at night anymore.

We now know we made the right choice in using Mr. Bell 47.

Richard & Eileen Berger

"We'd like to thank Joey for the professional manner in which our helicopter was sold.

We never dreamed that it would be sold so quickly. You are the best!"

Fritz Cripe & Rich Locklin, RF Helicopter, Inc.

Joey,

I must tell you that I have bought helicopters in past years and wish I had your book and services back then.

I received a copy of your book "How to Buy a Helicopter" via e-mail yesterday. The information and knowledge contained in your book would have saved me a lot of money, time, and disappointment!

I will tell anyone from my own hard learned lessons, that if you are a prospective purchaser and not a seasoned, experienced Bell 47 owner/operator, the purchase of Joey Rhodes book is not an option, it is mandatory!

I am currently considering re-entering the Bell 47 market and have been searching for helicopters. Your assistance, information, and advice have been extremely helpful. I am looking forward to working with you during my decision making process.

Many Thanks...
Joe Killian
Springfield Missouri

This is a testimonial to Joey Rhodes and the services that he provides.

I have bought and sold several Bell 47's from Joey and in each instance his

services were very professional. He knows his business and his character

and integrity is on the highest level.

If anyone is looking for a Bell 47 there is no better person to assist you than Joey Rhodes.

Donald J. Vecchie

50 years in aviation Our family had an inventory of over 4000 parts to sell and needed someone we could trust to identify potential buyers. That someone was Joey Rhodes. He reviewed our inventory and appraisal methods and outlined a sales strategy that we felt confident that we could execute. Joey's experience and expertise are obvious after looking at his web site and talking to him for 3 minutes. What was a pleasant surprise was that he was extremely thorough, an excellent communicator, and possessed outstanding interpersonal skills. Though we were novices when it came to helicopter parts, Joey treated us with great respect and was a straight-shooter!

Our overall experience was extremely gratifying and the outcome exceeded our expectations.

Joey is simply the best and you can't go wrong utilizing his services!!!

Sincerely,
Tom Greenawalt representing the Art Darwood family in Van Wert, OH.

We had a large trailer to sell and wanted to get the message out it was for sale. A good friend of ours went surfing and came up with a name, Mr. Joey Rhodes. We contacted Mr. Rhodes and found that was ***"The best thing we ever did!"*** Right away he took over the advertising and letting people know what we had for sale. We needed a lot of help because we were a little (green) using the computer. Mr. Rhodes notified us right away when he had interested parties and kept in touch with us to see how we were making out concerning the trailer. Mr. Rhodes not only emailed us often but also spoke with us many times on the phone which we greatly appreciated. If we were having a problem, he was right there getting it fixed.

Through Mr. Joey Rhodes we sold our trailer. ***If you need to get something sold and the right contacts, (WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND Mr. Rhodes and HIS SERVICES AT NEW WHIRLYBIRDS INC.)***

Our thanks and appreciation goes out to Mr. Rhodes and his company.

Doreen and Stephen
Ontario, Canada

This book ("*How to Buy a Helicopter*") is MANDATORY for ANYONE even thinking of purchasing a helicopter!!!!!!!!!!!!

A COMPREHENSIVE wealth of DETAIL!!!!!!!!!!!!!! If you don't read this book BEFORE you make that BIG purchase, YOU ARE SCREWED!! NO other publication or advisory even comes close. ***So, if you are thinking of purchasing a helicopter, do yourself a favor and read this book. It might just save your life.***

Daniel Carlson, Los Angeles, CA.

Joey Rhodes did an appraisal for us on a 1970 Bell Helicopter in June of 2005. His appraisal included valuations on the helicopter with and without the additional equipment (GPS, Spray rig etc...). I found him to be always available via phone and quick to respond via e-mail.

I was very impressed by his knowledge of the subject and his reliability. He was very informative and thorough in his appraisal. He provided us the breakdown of the appraisal we needed along with an explanation of the relevant factors. I was very impressed by his efficiency; He provided a verbal appraisal in less than two days from first contact.

Overall, I was very impressed by his service and his performance. I believe he is very knowledgeable in the subject matter and would not hesitate to use his services as an appraiser in the future. **"I strongly recommend Mr. Rhodes for Bell Helicopter appraisals."**

Sincerely,

Jesus Orozco

Commercial Lending Group

1st National Bank of Central California

I met Joey Rhodes when the Bell 47 association was first formed.

"There is no doubt in my mind that without Joey Rhodes the association would not have got off the ground."

Running an organization like ours requires effort and commitment with little thanks and even fewer rewards. I became one of the founder members and have contributed to our association events since they started. It has been a pleasure to see Joey at our events. His enthusiasm for the Bell 47 is infectious.

As long as we have enthusiasts like Joey we will continue to do our best to keep the Bell 47 flying.

Keep up the good work Joey.

Regards,

Terry Inch M.A. LLM,

Owner of Dutch Country Helicopters and four Bell 47's.

P.S. I was pleased to help Dutch Country find a good home for their Mash helicopter. It was sold to a very prestigious museum! *Joey*

I highly recommend Joey Rhodes for the sale of your helicopter. He was able to find and importantly screen potential purchasers for me. I didn't have the time to advertise, locate buyers, screen and set up appointment times for showing. Joey did all of those things for me, therefore making the selling experience as easy as it possibly could be. Please feel free to contact me about any questions you may have regarding utilizing Joey Rhodes as your exclusive sales broker. **"He's the best and most knowledgeable for the Bell 47."**

Phil Edgington, Edgington Aviation

Joey Rhodes has the expertise, resources and support staff to make your Bell 47 helicopter purchase an enjoyable experience.

"There isn't a gap between what Joey Rhodes promises and provides, his reputation concerning Bell 47 helicopter acquisition is unparalleled by no individual in the industry."

Joey Rhodes has demonstrated the leadership skills to guide the Bell 47 Helicopter Association and continue providing quality leadership for an expanding membership roster.

I would encourage any individual contemplating a Bell 47 helicopter purchase in the near future to utilize the professional services Joey Rhodes can provide.

Neal R. Toler

B47HA Treasurer/Trustee, B47HA Member #72, Kentucky Wing & Rotor, Inc.

We had the great pleasure of meeting and working with Joey Rhodes as we were struggling to establish the Bell 47 Helicopter Association. From the very beginning Joey jumped in with no reward other than the satisfaction of creating an Association that supported the Bell 47 Helicopter and serving the needs of our loyal membership. Since then the Association has done wonders in creating a working relationship with Bell Textron and protecting the interests of our membership.

"Joey has been very instrumental in saving many members including myself from serious financial consequences in the purchasing of Bell 47 Helicopters, parts and service."

Without a doubt I would contact Joey Rhodes before purchasing any Bell 47 products on the open market.

Sincerely yours,
Jack Kelly

East Coast Director Bell 47 Helicopter Association, Pilot & Owner, Helicopters Atlantic Coast,
Atlantic City, NJ

When I met Joey Rhodes in 2001 our newly formed B47HA was only 11 members strong. I had just completed putting on the first Bell 47 Fly In. I knew that Joey was going to be instrumental in building a new B47HA. I could sense he had what it takes to be a positive force for change.

Rhodes is outgoing, positive, congenial, and had some great ideas for introducing the Bell 47 to a new generation.

It has been several years now since our first meeting and I know my sense were right about - Joey Rhodes. His tireless, unselfish, hard working efforts have made B47HA what it is today. He continues to strive for excellence.

Joey is a family man with high moral character, integrity, honesty, unending energy, and I know him as my friend.

He has performed a great service for B47HA.

Danny Rodriguez

Joey,

Thank you for helping us find the Bell 47G-B1 for our customer. Through your vast database of 47G-B1 owners you were able to come up with an owner willing to sell in just a few days.

"We had been looking for over a month to no avail and after contacting you we had a deal in less than a week!"

"You did everything you said you would do," right down to distributing the money.

It's been nice dealing with you and I won't hesitate to ask for your assistance in the future.

Jim Jenkins - Sterling Air Ltd.

After researching the Bell 47, I knew that I would need help finding a good one. Fortunately I found Joey Rhode's website and after reviewing the inventory, I found one that met my needs. The next step was to have a pre-buy inspection and I turned to Joey for help. He found me a very qualified A&P and the pre-buy was done. I was so impressed with Joey and Neal Toler (the A&P) that I purchased the ship sight unseen. Joey guided me each step of the way, from general information to the pre-buy, to the ferry flight.

"The bottom line is that the seller and I are both happy and I know that I am getting a good B47."

I heartily recommend Joey to anyone thinking of purchasing or selling.

"Joey is truly one-stop shopping."

Kevin - Florida

In regards to your help in finding parts for our Bell 47's. I feel your service has been the most professional and helpful I have had the pleasure of working with. The seller in one of our dealings was undecided about selling the parts and because of your help I was able to find alternate parts from another person that was more than fair and the parts were just as you and he stated.

"In the parts business today it is a real breath of fresh air to deal with someone like yourself that I completely trust."

As with all the vendor members of the Bell 47 Helicopter Association that I have dealt with I find them honest and very eager to serve."

"Looking forward to enlisting your services in the future when I need them."

Sincerely

Leonard D. Felix Jr.