



THE LEWIS CENTER FOR EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH WISHES JOHN GLENN A HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY!

Astronaut John H. Glenn, Jr. climbs into his Friendship 7 Mercury capsule on February 20, 1962, shortly before he became the first American to orbit the earth (his spacecraft circled the globe three times during its five-hour mission). He later served as a U.S. Senator from Ohio for 25 years, beginning in 1974. He returned to NASA to fly aboard Space Shuttle Mission STS-95 for nine days in 1998, becoming the oldest astronaut in space. The Lewis Center salutes this great American who served his country with distinction as a Marine pilot in World War II and the Korean conflict, who was an admired U.S. Senator, and who blazed new trails in space in two different eras. Happy Birthday to a true American hero!