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Amelia Earhart is another remarkable West Virginian. She was the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean. Amelia set many aviation records and inspired people around the world with her courage and determination. She disappeared while attempting to fly around the world, but her legacy lives on.



THE BASKETBALL LEGEND

West Virginia is also home to Jerry West, a basketball legend. He played for the Los Angeles Lakers and was known for his incredible skill and athleticism. Jerry West later became a successful basketball executive and helped build championship-winning teams.

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One of the most influential figures in the field of rocket science is West Virginian Homer Hickam. He grew up in Coal wood, West Virginia, and went on to work for NASA. Homer's memoir, "Rocket Boys," inspired the movie "October Sky," which tells the story of his childhood dream of building rockets.



THE SINGER-SONGWRITER

Brad Paisley, a country music star, halls from Glen Dale, West Virginia. He has won numerous awards for his music and is known for hits like "Whiskey Lullaby" and "Mud on the Tires." Brad Paisley's songs often celebrate his West Virginia roots and love for his home state.

CONCLUSION

These are just a few of the many talented and accomplished individuals who have called West Virginia home. They have made their mark on history and continue to inspire us with their achievements. Let's celebrate and honor these famous West Virginians for their contributions to our state and the world.

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