

# APOLLO 17



Colorano "Silk" Cachet



A DECADE OF ACHIEVEMENT

APOLLO 17 – LUNAR ROVER – DECEMBER 13, 1972 – 5:26 P. M. – Cernan and Schmitt climbed outside the Lunar Lander "Challenger" for third and final Lunar Rover Excursion. The ride away from "Challenger" and up the slope was the most difficult of the three excursions. Both Astronauts were forced to use hand tools to keep them erect as they worked the giant boulders. The three Lunar Rover journeys left a total of 18 miles of rover tracks in the dust of the valley Taurus-Littrow and totaled more than 21 hours on the lunar surface. They hope to bring back over 200 lbs. of moon rocks and orange surface material. One large rock will be brought home and split into 70 pieces and divided among the nations of earth.