

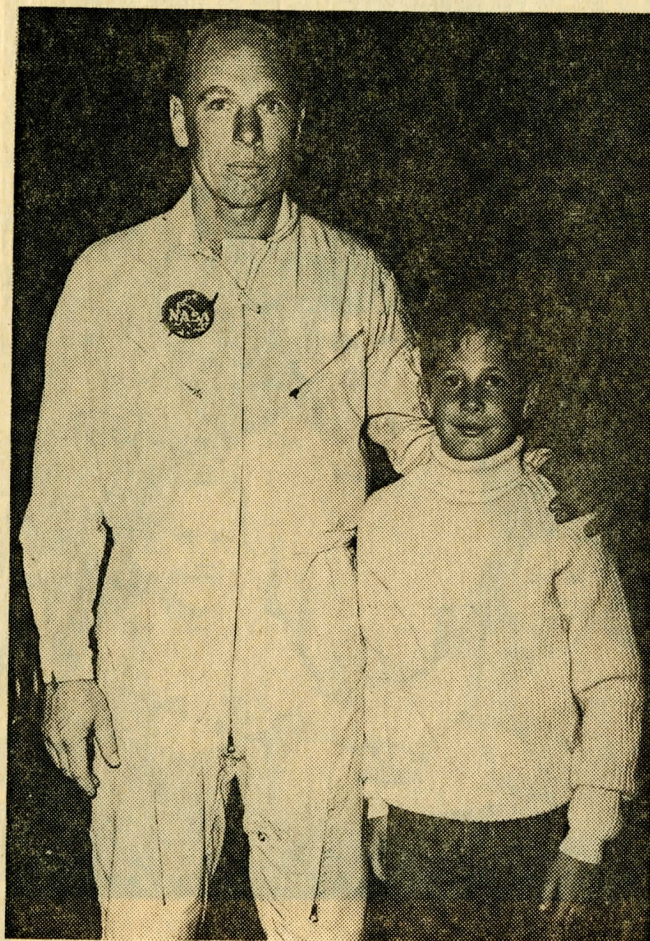
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FATHER AND SON — Astronaut William E. Thornton, M.D. shown with arm around son Simon, 11, at a Temple press conference Tuesday night, said he will lead dozens of students and adults as they walk "Miles for Children" Saturday from Temple to KCEN-TV and back. Dr. Thornton a NASA scientist-astronaut, recently led two other "Miles for Children Walks" in Texas. "If you had ever delivered babies with birth defects — you would know why I'm doing this," he said. The 20-mile walk here is sponsored by the March of Dimes and coordinated by Bob Mays. (Staff Photo by Will Hundley)