

I N M E M O R I A M

L. Ron Hubbard

March 13, 1911 - January 24, 1986

Best-selling Author • Founder of Scientology • Friend to Millions

"My only sorrow is that L. Ron Hubbard left before I could thank him for my new life."

Sonny Bono

"For 15 years I have studied this great man's work. It is brilliant and I'm sure will have a profound effect on future generations."

"Thanks to him, children can learn to read faster and improve their grades. Drug users can be saved. Business executives can simplify their lives. And people can once again smile."

"I will be indebted to L. Ron Hubbard forever. Because of him my life is productive and happy, and my business has expanded by a hundred times in 10 years."

*Kenneth J. Gerbino
Chairman, Kenneth J. Gerbino & Co.
Investment Management*

"The discoveries made by L. Ron Hubbard are so phenomenal there is no doubt for me that the contribution of his work will create the biggest impact ever in our society."

"The body of Mr. Hubbard is no longer here, but he is more present than ever through the workable technologies he has presented to us."

"Thank you for giving us this great privilege, dear Ron."

*Cyprien Katsaris
World Renowned Classical Pianist*

"L. Ron Hubbard is summed up in one word: 'Freedom.' He exemplified his beliefs by bringing freedom to the thousands of lives he touched. His ability to inspire others, not only to be their best, but to be even better than they ever dreamed, was indeed a unique gift."

"He would not want his vision to perish, so we must take up his mantle in order to carry on his dream to make the world a better place."

*Reverend James Nichols
Pentecostal Minister*

"Truly a great friend to anyone dedicated to creating a saner and more ethical world. Perhaps the artists will miss him the most — those who dream the dreams of the future."

*Dennis Dubin
Business Adviser, World Conference of Mayors
Member, Republican Senatorial Trust*

"My heart is saddened deeply with the passing of the great L. Ron Hubbard. Mr. Hubbard did so much and dedicated his life to humanity. He inspired me to continue to help mankind. He will be missed greatly by the world."

*Reverend Dr. Leo Champion
Pastor of the Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church
Executive Director, Committee on
Religious Liberty and Freedom*

"He never once deviated, no matter what happened, from his goal to help humanity. He didn't allow other people's aberrations and insanities to stop him. He accomplished his goal — a goal which no one else in the history of man has ever done."

The Honorable Judge Fenton Jones

"Now that he has lived, there is a real hope for artists across the land — every land."

*Karen Black
Actress*



*"To know life, you've got to be part of life.
You must get down and look; you must get into the
nooks and crannies of existence; you have to rub
elbows with all kinds and types of men before
you can finally establish what he is."*

"Where do I begin to thank Ron, the man who questioned the mysteries of life and paved the way back up the dwindling spiral of spiritual degradation to spiritual freedom for mankind."

"I can only thank him by keeping his words alive and pure."

"I am honored to have known him."

*Julia Migenes-Johnson
Grammy Award-winning Singer*

"As a physician, I regard him as one of the greatest minds of all time. It is only his technology that allows me to practice medicine with a free conscience to help without harm."

*Dr. Megan Shields
Medical Doctor*

"He has saved my life and made it possible for me to become a prosperous human being. He has saved my marriage and helped me to establish a purpose and hope for the future."

*Kendrick Moxen
Attorney at Law*

"Dynamic, dramatic, dynamic — this was the red-headed ball of fire I first met in 1937. Ten years later I became his agent. He gave the world of science fiction and fantasy two acknowledged masterpieces: *Final Blackout* and *Fear*. In both the literary world and the mundane he left a mark on humankind that will be felt in the 21st century, a century about which he frequently wrote and which in 'real' life he attempted to influence for the better. I see him now, blazing away on that Typewriter in the Sky."

*Forrest J. Ackerman
Renowned Science Fiction Agent and Author*

"L. Ron Hubbard set a star-high goal for us. He documented it with pure science. He taught it with pure love. He's left nothing but pure inspiration."

*Chick Corea
Award-winning Jazz Composer and Musician*

"L. Ron Hubbard and his writings have been the stabilizing influence of my life for many years now. He believed man to be basically good and proved it again and again. His discoveries and technologies ended my confusions, brightened my perceptions, increased my sense of ethics, rehabilitated me as an artist and generally made my heart sing. He was truly mankind's best friend. I've looked up to him for years — I guess now I just have to look a little higher."

*Jeff Pomerantz
Actor*

"L. Ron Hubbard has lived the life of an adventurer, exploring the furthest bounds of the human experience, teaching himself how to be fully human, attempting to teach the rest of us the same thing."

"His importance in the world of literature, and in the world of philosophy, can only increase as the rest of us gradually absorb his contribution — gradually catch up to him."

"He has not died as most men die — he lives on in me and in all other writers who have learned their trade from him."

*Ray Faraday Nelson
Award-winning Science Fiction Writer*

"Life belongs to the brave. The technology discovered and fostered by L. Ron Hubbard reduces fear and encourages bravery, and this has been and will be of tremendous benefit to the world."

*Willie B. Wilson
Oil Executive*

These words, written by L. Ron Hubbard, describe better than anyone else could the philosophy of a man whose tremendous contributions to virtually all walks of life have made him the greatest humanitarian in history.

Indeed, few men have achieved so much in so many different fields. Author, philosopher, educator, research pioneer, musician, photographer, cinematographer, horticulturist, navigator, explorer and humanitarian — Mr. Hubbard has been widely recognized for his contributions in all of these fields.

His interest was always in reaching people, and he utilized every possible medium for his communication. But as he himself said many times, he was first and foremost a writer.

A best-selling author for more than 50 years, with over 589 published works to his credit, his fiction sales total over 22 million copies, and his non-fiction works have sold more than 23 million.

Without question, Mr. Hubbard has been one of the most prolific writers in living memory. His fiction works stand in a class by themselves for pure magnitude, as well as for his mastery as a storyteller. As he developed the religious philosophy of Scientology, he also wrote millions of words and delivered and recorded more than 4,000 lectures which have ensured the permanence of the technology that has brought millions of people increased sanity and happiness.

Whether writing fiction or non-fiction, a common theme ran through all of his work. Mr. Hubbard concentrated on the human condition, and on raising the awareness of his readers about themselves, always inviting them to take more responsibility for their own lives. He stressed that being at cause over oneself and one's environment, and actively working toward the realization of one's own goals, was the only sure way to achieve happiness.

In 1948, when he released the results of his initial research into the nature of life and the human mind, word quickly spread that Mr. Hubbard had made a revolutionary breakthrough. As columnist Walter Winchell wrote on January 31, 1950:

"There is something new coming up in April called Dianetics. A new science which works with the invariability of physical science in the field of the human mind. From all indications, it will prove to be as revolutionary for humanity as the first caveman's discovery and utilization of fire."

Winchell's prediction proved correct. When Mr. Hubbard's first book on the subject, *Dianetics: The Modern Science of Mental Health*, was published in May 1950, the response was instantaneous and overwhelming. It became a nationwide best seller almost overnight. By late summer, people across the country were not only reading the book but were also organizing their own groups for the purpose of applying the techniques of Dianetics.

This first book on Dianetics has increased in popularity since 1950, and it has now been a consistent best seller for 36 years. A phenomenon in the publishing world, *Publisher's Weekly* once reviewed it as "perhaps the best-selling non-Christian book of all time in the West." Today, the sales

of *Dianetics: The Modern Science of Mental Health* already total nearly eight million copies, and its popularity continues to grow.

It was soon after the release of *Dianetics* that Mr. Hubbard made his next major discovery. It had become clear to him that there was something much more basic and more important to life than the brain, the mind and the body. After discovering that the basic common denominator in all life was the "urge to survive," Mr. Hubbard established conclusively that Man was basically a spiritual being, inhabiting a body and using a mind.

In his next book, *Science of Survival*, which was published in 1951, he released his findings on the spirit of Man. This book contained the foundation of the religion of Scientology. Clearly, Mr. Hubbard had crossed the boundaries of science and had entered into the realm of religion. He was now dealing with the fundamental truths concerning the essence of life, what came before, and the hereafter.

Religious scholars the world over have recognized the profound religious nature of Mr. Hubbard's philosophy of the spirit. One such academician was Professor of Philosophy Laburthe-Tolra, of the Paris Academy of the Sorbonne, who had the opportunity in 1980 to make an in-depth study of the Scientology religion.

Afterwards, he wrote: "... in examining the personality of the founder as well as the form of his doctrine, it is equally indubitable that we are dealing with a prophet of modern times, who showed he was able to propose a vast original synthesis answering to the aspirations of present time Man. Thus this doctrine, indeed genius, deserves from any honest man deference and respect."

In the years that followed the publication of his initial discoveries, Mr. Hubbard devoted himself intensively to research and writing, as well as to lecturing. Between 1951 and 1954 alone, Mr. Hubbard wrote 20 books and gave more than 1,100 lectures.

Mr. Hubbard's research has reached into every aspect of life. His breakthroughs in the subjects of education and drug rehabilitation enabled him to develop highly effective technologies applicable to society at large which have been recognized the world over.

"Recent research has demonstrated that the single most destructive element in these societies today is drugs," Mr. Hubbard said in 1979. Always concerned with the well-being of his fellow man, he engaged in extensive research in this subject, which resulted in the development of a detoxification procedure which has gained widespread acceptance in the medical field.

The success of Mr. Hubbard's drug rehabilitation technology eventually led to the formation of a network of centers called Narconon, which uses his methods exclusively. Recognized as the most successful program of its kind in the world, Narconon is the only genuine international network of non-medical drug rehabilitation centers.

Mr. Hubbard also studied the effects of environmental and biochemical factors on the individual and on society as a whole. In 1978, he made a sweeping breakthrough when he discovered that in addition to street drugs such as marijuana,

speed, LSD, heroin, and PCP, other chemical poisons and toxins, preservatives, pesticides, and medicinal drugs can lodge in the fatty tissues of the body, and that these can cause adverse mental and physical reactions years after they have been ingested. A person's behavior, and even his learning rate, can be affected. To remedy this, Mr. Hubbard developed the Purification Program, a unique detoxification regimen which is designed to rid the body of these toxic residues and poisons. Since the release of this incredible rundown, tens of thousands of people have completed the program with rave results, sometimes bordering on the miraculous.

In the early 1960s, recognizing that declining educational standards threatened cultures throughout the world, Mr. Hubbard intensified his ongoing research into the field of education. A simple, powerful truth which he discovered, for example, was that the only time a person becomes confused about a subject he is studying is when he goes past words he does not understand. The remedy, equally as simple, he found, is to use a dictionary and look up and define for himself all the definitions of the word that is misunderstood or not fully understood. Continuing his work in this area, Mr. Hubbard developed a full, advanced technology of study, now used by students, teachers, universities and school systems throughout the world, including such remote areas as Central and South Africa, South America and China.

There is nothing secret about the popularity of Mr. Hubbard's technology. It has one very unique quality which sets it apart from all others. As an applied religious philosophy, it is directly applicable to all life and livingness — and it works! Testimony to the success of the applicability and workability of his discoveries is some estimated six million devoted, happy Scientologists affiliated with more than 600 Churches, Missions and groups around the world.

In 1981, having observed the increase in moral degradation and rise in crime in society in general, coincident with the gradual eradication of religion from the educational system, Mr. Hubbard became very concerned that future generations would grow up without an understanding of right and wrong, and without any sense of morality. To resolve this serious problem, he devised a modern, practical and workable moral code based on common sense, which he published under the title *The Way to Happiness*. Such a non-religious moral code had never been created before, and it has been enthusiastically endorsed by civic leaders and religious leaders of many different denominations. Millions of copies of this book are now in circulation in many different languages all over the world; its use has led to a revitalization of purpose for the many people of all ages who have received it and have begun to apply its simple truths to their lives and to the environment around them.

Mr. Hubbard's lifelong purpose was to complete his research into the mind and spirit of Man. This he did indeed achieve, to the fullest extent. But it was never enough for him alone to expe-

rience the freedoms and benefits of the fruits of his researches. Mr. Hubbard spent thousands of hours, taking great care to record every detail of his discoveries in assimilable and applicable form, so that others could follow in his footsteps and share in the wealth of knowledge he alone had uncovered.

Quite apart from his religious and philosophic studies, Mr. Hubbard has always been a most prolific writer. Thus, in 1980, in celebration of his golden anniversary as a professional writer, Mr. Hubbard wrote the largest best-selling science fiction book of all time — *Battlefield Earth: A Saga of the Year 3000*. After being absent from the science fiction scene for nearly 30 years, Mr. Hubbard's massive, 819-page epic novel of Man's indomitable spirit in prevailing against overwhelming odds in his struggle for survival caused an uproar and quickly hit the best-seller lists worldwide. Now published in more than a dozen different countries, this epic novel has sold over 1.5 million copies.

Publisher's Weekly described Mr. Hubbard as "a superlative storyteller with total mastery of plot and pacing." Review after review sang the praises of one of the great writers of the Golden Age of Science Fiction, and his friends in the science fiction world were ecstatic at his return to the field.

"Pure science fiction," A.E. Van Vogt exclaimed, "430,000 words written by a superwriter of the Golden Age... the great pulp music in every line... will be talked about for a decade... wonderful adventure... great characters... a masterpiece."

On the heels of *Battlefield Earth's* success, Mr. Hubbard wrote another epic which was many times the size of *Battlefield Earth*. An unprecedented event in publishing history, Mr. Hubbard's 10-volume, 1.2 million-word *Mission Earth* series is so immense that a new word, "dekalogy," (meaning a group of 10 volumes), had to be coined to describe its sheer magnitude. As with *Battlefield Earth*, the first book of this new epic series, *The Invaders Plan*, was an immediate national best seller and has remained on best-seller lists since its publication in October 1985. The second volume in this mammoth dekalogy, *Black Genesis*, is scheduled for release on March 13, 1986.

Truly, L. Ron Hubbard's life was filled with inquiry, adventure and discovery. He lived life to the fullest and attained all of the goals he had set for himself and his work for this lifetime. Few men can be described in such terms, and indeed, fewer have achieved even a fraction of what Mr. Hubbard accomplished in his long and incredibly productive life. His physical departure was by no means an end — on the contrary, it marked the beginning of an unprecedented expansion of his life's work through the efforts of the millions of his friends who are carrying his work forward.

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OF
L. RON HUBBARD

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