

Papa Put Man On The Moon: The Untold Story of Wernher Von Braun and the American Space Program

Wernher von Braun was a German rocket scientist who played a key role in the development of both the Nazi V-2 missile and the American Saturn V rocket that took men to the moon. He was a brilliant engineer and a visionary leader, and his contributions to the field of rocketry are immeasurable.



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Von Braun was born in Germany in 1912. He was fascinated by space exploration from an early age, and he began building rockets as a teenager. In 1932, he joined the German Rocket Society, and in 1937, he was appointed technical director of the Peenemünde Army Research Center, where the V-2 missile was developed.

The V-2 was the world's first long-range ballistic missile, and it was used by the Nazis to bomb Allied targets during World War II. After the war, von Braun and his team were captured by the United States Army and brought

to the United States, where they were put to work on the American space program.

Von Braun's team designed and built the Saturn V rocket, which was used to launch the Apollo 11 mission to the moon in 1969. The Saturn V was the most powerful rocket ever built, and it remains the only rocket that has successfully sent humans to the moon.

Von Braun was also the first director of NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center, which is responsible for the development of the Saturn V rocket and other NASA launch vehicles. He retired from NASA in 1972, and he died in 1977.

Von Braun's Early Life and Career

Wernher von Braun was born on March 23, 1912, in Wirsitz, Germany. His father, Magnus von Braun, was a civil servant, and his mother, Emmy von Quistorp, was a baroness. Von Braun had two older brothers, Magnus and Sigismund, and a younger sister, Iris.

Von Braun was fascinated by space exploration from an early age. He built his first model rocket when he was 13 years old, and he joined the German Rocket Society in 1932. In 1937, he was appointed technical director of the Peenemünde Army Research Center, where the V-2 missile was developed.

The V-2 was the world's first long-range ballistic missile, and it was used by the Nazis to bomb Allied targets during World War II. The V-2 was a revolutionary weapon, and it played a major role in the German war effort.

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Von Braun's Legacy

Wernher von Braun was a brilliant engineer and a visionary leader. He played a key role in the development of both the Nazi V-2 missile and the American Saturn V rocket that took men to the moon. His contributions to the field of rocketry are immeasurable, and his legacy will continue to inspire future generations of scientists and engineers.

Wernher von Braun was a complex and controversial figure. He was a brilliant engineer who helped to advance the field of rocketry, but he also worked for the Nazi regime during World War II. However, there is no doubt that von Braun's contributions to the American space program were immense, and he will always be remembered as one of the fathers of the space age.



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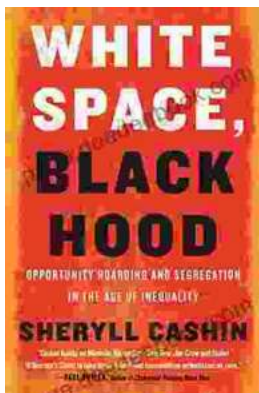
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