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*GERMAN-AMERICAN HALL of FAME (GAMHOF) EXPRESSES
CONDOLENCES to FAMILY & STAFF of WALTER CRONKITE*

The Founder and Chairman of the German-American Hall of Fame expressed his condolences to the family, staff and CBS colleagues of legendary television news anchor Walter Cronkite.

Mr. Cronkite was one of the first ten individuals inducted into the German-American Hall of Fame, in 2007. His family is of German and Dutch ancestry.

“With the passing of Walter Cronkite, America has lost the best known and most respected news journalist of the 20th century,” said Mr. Hetzler. “Never again will there be another news anchor who will be relied upon by such a huge share of Americans for their daily television news. When Walter Cronkite ended his broadcasts with ‘*And that’s the way it is,*’ most Americans were confident that this was indeed so.”

In writing to the family, staff and CBS colleagues of Mr. Cronkite, Mr. Hetzler stressed that “In losing your father, family member, boss and CBS colleague with Mr. Cronkite’s passing, please know that tens of millions of Americans share your sorrow and loss. All of us at the German-American Hall of Fame were proud to welcome Mr. Cronkite into “the Hall” as one of our first ten inductees in 2007, and we also extend our sincere condolences, prayers and sympathy as well.”

The German-American Hall of Fame can be visited via www.gamhof.org .

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