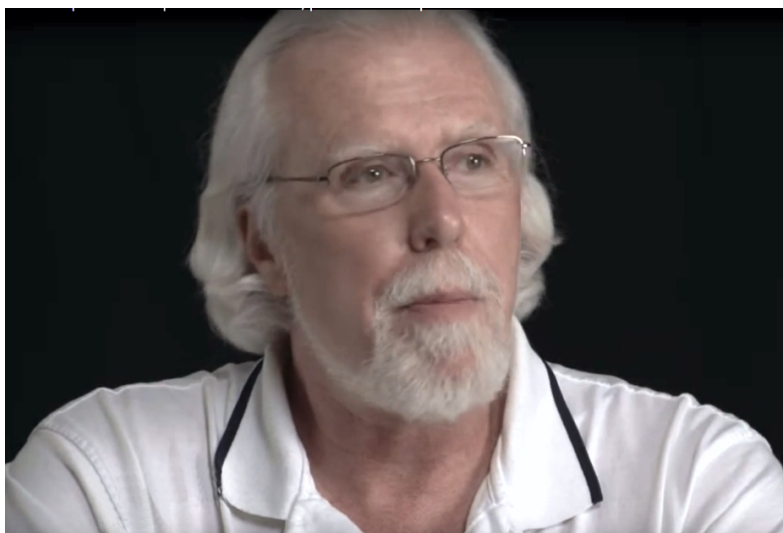


In Loving Memory of Charles (Chuck) Lauer

November 15, 1955 - March 28, 2021



To our colleagues and partners in Space,

It is with a heavy heart that we announce the passing of Charles (Chuck) Lauer, a true veteran of the Space sector, one of the founders of Rocketplane Global, instrumental in developing spaceports in North America, CBDO of Spacebit, President of Spacebit North America and member of the Board of Advisors of the Space Frontier Foundation. Chuck has been researching and developing potential business opportunities in space since 1991, and has published many general interest articles and technical papers on commercial space development.

Chuck will be greatly missed by all who knew and worked with him. He touched so many with his contagious energy and genuine interest in serving humankind and pushing the frontier of space. He dedicated his life to the development of reusable rocketplanes and enabling access to space. If anyone knew about space business parks or commercial lunar robotic exploration systems and lunar resource development business models, it was Chuck. Chuck was a graduate of the University of Michigan College of Architecture & Urban Planning; proud to have his roots in architecture and design, and had great aspirations of getting something 'flown in space.' Truly one of a kind; his legacy will live on.

Chuck's family are asking for any donations to go to the American Heart Association (<https://www2.heart.org/>) in his name.

For anyone who would like to pass on a message to Chuck's family please send to office@spacebit.com.

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