

## **Cronkite Special on NET Television**

LINCOLN, Neb. (July 18, 2009) -- During nearly 70 years in journalism, Walter Cronkite covered virtually every conceivable news event.

He hit the sands at Normandy and covered the trials at Nuremburg. He shed tears over JFK's assassination, took us to the moon, deemed Vietnam a stalemate and -- steadfastly adhering to his credo of fast, accurate and unbiased news reporting -- became the most trusted figure in American public life.

With Cronkite's death on July 17, NET Television will rebroadcast the 2006 "American Masters" program "Walter Cronkite: Witness to History" on Wednesday, July 22, at 9 p.m. CT and again Saturday, July 25, at 9:30 p.m. CT on NET1 and NET-HD.

Narrated by Katie Couric, the 90-minute program goes well beyond Cronkite's anchor years to offer a complete picture of a genuine Renaissance man -- author, sailor, producer, patron.

It also tells the story of television news from its infancy through the explosion of cable TV.

Affectionately nicknamed "Old Iron Pants" for his unflappability under pressure, Cronkite's accomplishments -- both on-air and off -- won him acclaim and trust from journalism colleagues and the American public alike.

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