

American journalist, best known for his work as a TV news anchorman. Born November 1916 in St. Joseph, Mo. Walter was raised in Houston, TX, attended U.T. at Austin. After college Walter held newspaper jobs covering news and sports, then broadcasting with WKY Oklahoma City.

Cronkite joined United Press in 1938 and became one of the best on air reporters in WW2, then covered the Nuremburg Trials.

Walter Joined CBS news in 1950 and became a house hold word. During his tenure at CBS Evening News, he was often cited in viewer opinion polls as "The most trusted man in America." because of his

experience and professional demeanor. I recall his reporting of the Pres. Kennedy assassination.

February 15th 2005, Mr. Cronkite had a special report that I have personal significance in. He recorded at CBS studios a narration for (WCC) Chatham Radio, a documentary about Guglielmo Marconi and his Chatham station. Also how WCC became the busiest ship-to-short wireless station in North America from 1914 until 1994. I've always felt Marconi was the original "Old Man" and a real first class CW man. The documentary was directed by Christopher Seufert of Mooncusser Films and premiered at the Chatham (Cape Cod) Marconi Maritime Center April 2005.

Betsy Maxwell Cronkite, the love of Walters life for almost 65 years expired in 2005, she was age 89. There were three children.

I've been privileged to have heard some of the best broadcasters, Cecil Brown, Westbrook Van Voorhis, Lowell Thomas, Huntley & Brinkley, John Cameron Swazy & Walter Cronkite. I do believe they're correct, "The Most Trusted Man in America" was none other than Walter L. Cronkite - KB2GSD! Partially scripted from Wikipedia.Com



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