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First on the Ground at Roswell: Jesse Marcel's Eyewitness Story Finally Told

"The world has waited a long time for the inside scoop on Roswell . . . the crashed saucer retrieval is one of the most important UFO cases ever, anywhere. . . this book provides a good deal of important new material." Stanton T. Friedman, author, *Flying Saucers & Science* and Crash at Corona

San Francisco, CA (Aug. 20, 2008)--The first military officer to arrive at the famous UFO crash site in Roswell, NM, Jesse Marcel was sworn to secrecy by his superiors, forbidden to reveal that he had found physical evidence of an extraterrestrial craft. Now, after Marcel's death, his son, Jesse Marcel, Jr., is releasing the details—and the truth—about his father's experience.

The Roswell Legacy: the Untold Story of the First Military Officer at the 1947 Crash Site is the long-awaited last puzzle piece in a six-decade-long parade of documentation, media interviews, books and rumors about the UFO (not a weather balloon as the U.S. government would have us believe) that crashed near Roswell Army Airfield in mid-June of 1947.

A counterintelligence agent for the Army Air Corps, Marcel's father was called to investigate the crash site and collect debris, some of which he brought home. The author, then age 11, and his mother and father pored over fragments covered with mysterious symbols and markings, which are described in a breathtaking scene in the family kitchen in the first chapter of the book. Nearly 50 photos and illustrations add to the authenticity of the story.

In his page-turning, thriller of a non-fiction book, Marcel, Jr. explains the government cover-up and the people involved; backs up his father's knowledge and expertise as an investigator; and portrays other frightening UFO sightings. He ends the book by describing his recent, hair-raising encounter with a high U.S. official who gives the author a glimpse into a Pandora's Box of covertly funded "black government" activities that include hiding the Roswell incident.

The foreword of *The Roswell Legacy: the Untold Story of the First Military Officer at the 1947 Crash Site* was contributed by Stanton T. Friedman, the original civilian investigator of Roswell and a nuclear physicist who has testified before Congressional hearings and the UN.

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The author, Jesse Marcel, Jr., M.D. served in the U.S. Navy and in the Montana Army National Guard. In October 2004, he was called to serve in Iraq as an army flight surgeon, and returned home 13 months later on Thanksgiving Day 2005. Today he is a physician at the VA Hospital in Ft. Harrison, Montana.

". . readers deserve to know the facts, and I believe my father deserves the respect long denied him by the government's desire to silence what he saw and knew."

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