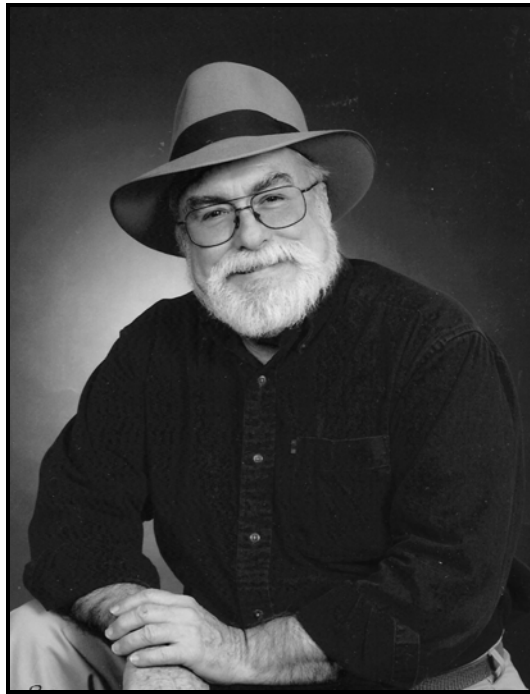


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Since 1976, Marrs has taught a course on the assassination of President John F. Kennedy at the University of Texas at Arlington. In 1989, his book, *Crossfire: The Plot That Killed Kennedy*, was published to critical acclaim and reached the *New York Times* Paperback Non-Fiction Best Seller list in February 1992. It became a basis for the Oliver Stone film *JFK*. Marrs served as a chief consultant for both the film's screenplay and production.

In May, 1997, Marrs' in-depth investigation of UFOs, *Alien Agenda*, was published by HarperCollins Publishers. Marrs has been a featured speaker at a number of national conferences including the Annual International UFO Congress and the Annual Gulf Breeze UFO Conference. *Publisher's Weekly* described *Alien Agenda* as "the most entertaining and complete overview of flying saucers and their crew in years." It has been translated into several

foreign languages and become the top-selling non-fiction UFO book in the world. Beginning in 2000, he began teaching a course on UFOs at the University of Texas at Arlington.

In early 2000, *Rule by Secrecy* published by HarperCollins, which traced the hidden history that connects modern secret societies to the Ancient Mysteries, also reached the *New York Times* Best Seller list. In 2006 *The Terror Conspiracy*, which probed the conspiracies of the 9/11 attacks and their aftermath, was released.

An award-winning journalist, Marrs has won several writing and photography awards including the Aviation/Aerospace Writer's Association's National Writing Award and Newsmaker of the Year Award from the Fort Worth Chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists. In 1993, Marrs received *Freedom Magazine's* Human Rights Leadership Award.

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