

SHROUD OF TURIN EDUCATION AND RESEARCH ASSOCIATION, INC. (STERA, Inc.)

Publisher of The Shroud of Turin Website <u>www.shroud.com</u>

Who We Are

STERA, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization founded in 2009 by the late Barrie M. Schwortz, the Official Documenting Photographer for the Shroud of Turin Research Project (STURP), the team that performed the first in-depth scientific examination of the Shroud in 1978. In 2010 he formally donated his extensive Shroud collection to STERA and served as President from its inception until his death on June 21, 2024. Our Board of Directors is comprised of noted Shroud scholars and lecturers. See website for list.

What We Do

Our primary responsibility is the publication of our world-renowned website, started in 1996, <u>www.shroud.com</u>, the oldest and largest Shroud resource on the internet. We also provide Shroud images, articles and other research materials to scholars, writers, lecturers, exhibitors and producers worldwide.

What We Have

STERA, Inc. is also the proud caretaker of the collections of many other noted Shroud scholars, including STURP team members Raymond Rogers, Robert Dinegar, William Mottern, Jean Lorre and Mark Evans. We also hold the collections of renowned Sindonologists like Fr. Albert Kim Dreisbach, Jr. and Dr. Giles Carter. Several other important collections have been pledged in the future. Our goal is to digitally archive all of these collections, catalog them and make them available for future research and for students of all ages via <u>www.shroud.com</u>.

What We Need

The scope of materials we hold is enormous, as is the task of cataloging, digitizing and adding it all to the website. Without doubt, it is far more than one person can do by himself, so we need to enlist additional people for some of the work, and of course, that requires funding. We never have allowed advertising on the website, so that form of revenue is not available to us. We support ourselves mainly through the sale of items on our Website Store page. So we must rely on contributions from our viewers and supporters for the rest.

What You Can Do

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