

Laurence K. Marshall

Co-Founder
Past Chairman
Raytheon Company



Laurence K. Marshall was a founder of Raytheon Company and served as the first chairman of the Raytheon board of directors from 1948-1950. He served as president from 1928-1948.

In 1922, Mr. Marshall, with Vannevar Bush and Charles G. Smith, founded the American Appliance Company in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The company's name was changed to Raytheon in 1925.

As an entrepreneur and trained physicist, Mr. Marshall helped to build the company and its reputation for technological leadership. In 1962, he moved with his wife, Lorna, an anthropologist, to the Kalahari Desert, where they lived for more than 10 years. The Marshalls earned international distinction for their anthropological research.

Biography

Mr. Marshall was born in 1889 in Massachusetts. He graduated from Tufts University in 1911 and was a member of the Tufts Delta Chapter of Tau Beta Pi, the national engineering honor society. In 1961, he was awarded an honorary doctor of science degree from Tufts University. Tufts University also established the Laurence K. Marshall Scholarship, which makes annual awards to superior students with financial need in the College of Engineering.

Mr. Marshall passed away in November, 1980.