

## **Tribute to Neil Armstrong**

Neil Armstrong – the first man to step on the Moon, died Saturday, 25 August, at the age of 82. The American astronaut takes the lead in the pantheon of the people dedicated their lives to the exploration of the Outer Space so as to make it a common possession to mankind. His memorable words: “That’s one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind”, pronounced on 20 July 1969 moments after his descent from Apollo 11 on the lunar surface, clearly illustrate the transition to a new era in science and technology development.

The epochal achievement of Neil Armstrong inspired lots of generations and encouraged millions of people not to be afraid to strive for their dreams. He demonstrated how even the „small step“, being the outcome of steady pursuit of the aims, aspiration and longing, can turn into a remarkable and significant human progress.

The astronaut also inspired the Bulgarian Atlantics who in the last 20 years gave their contribution to the restoration of the space glory of Bulgaria. We believe that Neil Armstrong will continue to be a role model for the Bulgarian astronautics, at least until the dispatch of the third Bulgarian cosmonaut, astronaut or taikonaut. Or may be euronaut...!

May he rest in peace.

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