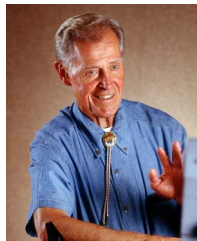


In Memoriam—Robert Gundlach¹



It is with a sad heart that we wish to inform you that Robert Gundlach passed away on August 18th at the age of 84.

As one of the first research scientists hired by the Haloid (now Xerox) Co., Gundlach was responsible for finding ways to refine and improve xerography.

He devoted over three decades to the task of developing technologies that enabled Xerox to build compact and robust machines based on the core xerography inventions. He created three patentable inventions during his first year at Xerox, including an invention that enabled reproduction of solid shapes, making copies more universally acceptable. As xerography advanced, Gundlach invented ways to produce color copies and use digital technology. His most lucrative patent at Xerox enabled photocopiers to print two-colored images.

Until recently, Bob was the most prolific patent recipient in Xerox history, with enormous contributions to the field of xerography, specifically the early development of the modern

photocopier. Over the course of his 42 year career at Xerox, he contributed over 155 patents, making photocopying technology more affordable and practical. Bob helped transform the Haloid Co. into Xerox Corporation. Since his retirement in 1995, he was granted several patents associated with his hobbies, including a snow-making system and a special backpack.

The Society for Imaging Science and Technology awarded Gundlach the Johann Gutenberg Prize in 1993; subsequently, he was elected to the National Academy of Engineering. In 1997, he was given the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Electrostatics Society of America. More recently, in 2005, Bob was inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame. Gundlach has a Wikipedia page: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Robert_Gundlach and an Inventors Hall of Fame page: http://www.invent.org/hall_of_fame/234.html.

—Mel Sahyun

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