

# TELL MY SONS...

# LT. COL. MARK M. WEBER

WITH DAVID MURRAY

## FOREWORD BY ROBIN WILLIAMS

"Mark Weber's story has touched me in such a profound way.

It's real, brave, gritty, honest, inspiring—and a gift to us all. Every page exudes courage, honesty, and an indomitable spirit."

—MITCH ALBOM, AUTHOR OF INTERNATIONAL BEST-SELLING TUESDAYS WITH MORRIE AND THE FIVE PEOPLE YOU MEET IN HEAVEN

"Lieutenant Colonel Mark Weber has left a proud record of service to his nation, much of which is told in this remarkable book. It is a book not only for Mark's sons, who can look back on their father's accomplishments with admiration, but also for anyone who wants to know what a life dedicated to country and family looks like."

#### —Donald Rumsfeld, former US Secretary of Defense

"Tell My Sons... is one of the most profound and inspirational stories I have ever read. It may be written for Mark's children, but it may as well be a treatise for all of us about honest parenting and leadership with character in love, family, faith, and politics. For a man who is facing profound health issues, Mark is doing a remarkable job showing us all how to live with courage and integrity."

### —Walter F. Mondale, former Vice President of the United States of America

"Tell My Sons... is a deeply moving, personal account of a soldier's journey into an ultimate frontier.

As I read Mark Weber's book, I was astonished by its honesty, courage, and discipline. This book offers one of the most profound and detailed descriptions of the strange world of cancer and should be essential reading for all of us who seek to understand that topsy-turvy terrain."

—Dr. Siddhartha Mukherjee, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of The Emperor of All Maladies: A Biography of Cancer



Lieutenant Colonel Mark Weber was born and raised in Minnesota. He has served a total of twenty-three years in the US Army with five years as an enlisted soldier in the Minnesota National Guard and nineteen years on active duty as a commissioned officer. He has been stationed throughout the US, the Pentagon, Saudi Arabia, and Iraq. He is a distinguished alumnus of Minnesota State University, holds master's degrees in history from Jacksonville State University in Alabama and public policy management from Georgetown University in Washington DC, and has served as a Policy Fellow at the University of Minnesota. His awards include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze

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