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Educated and employed in the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, in the 1950s, Dr. Amba-Rao came to the U.S. in 1957 as a Fulbright Scholar. He received his master’s degree in applied mathematics at Brown University and a PhD in aerospace science at Purdue University.

While at Wyle Labs (Huntsville, Alabama), he worked on the Apollo lunar program, later moving to the Indian Space Research Organization in Trivandrum. He returned to the U.S. and resumed his career in aerospace, working at Lear Jet, Cessna, Boeing, and Martin Marietta. He also taught at Rutgers and Johns Hopkins Universities.

Candid and witty, C.L. was respected by colleagues, friends, and younger generations.