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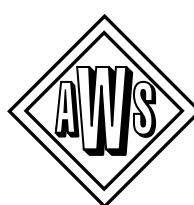
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## **DEDICATION**

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This book is dedicated to Dr. John M. Gerken in recognition of his distinguished work in the field of metallurgical engineering and the transfer of its technology, and for his steadfast commitment to the *Welding Handbook*. Dr. Gerken served on the Welding Handbook Committee beginning in 1992 during the preparation of the two Eighth Edition volumes of the *Welding Handbook, Materials and Applications, Part 1 and Materials and Applications, Part 2*. He served as the Chair of the Volume 1 Committee, which prepared Volume 1 of the Ninth Edition, *Welding Science and Technology* for publication in 2001. He is known nationally for his dedication to the welding industry and his service to the American Welding Society as a volunteer.

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## PREFACE

This is Volume 3 of the *Welding Handbook*, the third of the five-volume series in the Ninth Edition. Following the publication of *Welding Handbook Volume 1, Welding Science and Technology*, the Welding Handbook Committee determined that one volume could no longer contain the process technology described in the 29 chapters of Volume 2, Eighth Edition; thus Volume 2 and Volume 3 of the Ninth Edition were designed to accommodate the expanded information. *Welding Processes, Part 1* presented updated information on arc welding and cutting, the gas processes, brazing, and soldering. This volume, *Welding Processes, Part 2* is devoted to information on resistance welding, solid state processes and other joining and cutting methods. Volumes 4 and 5 of the Ninth Edition of the *Welding Handbook* will address welding materials and applications.

Volume 3 contains updated resistance welding chapters: spot and seam welding, projection welding, flash and upset welding, high-frequency welding, and resistance welding equipment. The chapter on friction welding has been updated, and new in this edition, a separate chapter on the developing process variation, friction stir welding, has been added. Other chapters are ultrasonic welding, explosion welding, adhesive bonding, thermal spraying and cold spraying, diffusion welding and diffusion brazing. The chapters on electron beam welding and laser beam welding and cutting contain significantly expanded technology. The last chapter, Other Welding and Cutting Processes, contains information on two new or revitalized processes, magnetic pulse welding, and electro-spark depositing. New information is presented on water jet cutting, which is reappearing in many current applications as a modern, efficient process.

A table of contents of each chapter is outlined on the cover page, and a subject index with cross-references appears at the end of the volume. A major subject index of this volume and previous editions of the *Welding Handbook* is included. Appendices A and B are lists of safety standards, and Appendix C presents a list of SI/inch-pound conversions of commonly used pressure units.

The chapters in this volume reflect the dramatic changes brought into welding processes over the past decade by the precise control of welding parameters made possible with digital controls and microprocessors as applied to new techniques and advanced materials. To meet the challenge of including this expanded technology, each chapter was prepared by a committee made up of highly qualified experts enthusiastic about the subject process, and headed by a chapter chair with an admirable dedication to the details of infusing state-of the-art information into the basics of the processes. All committee members are volunteers who generously devoted countless hours of personal time to the chapters.

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