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This story is known from The Clone Wars times when all galaxy was in the war. It is an old pilot legend about ghost ships in The Palioxis Cloud asteroid shield. Legend says this...

In the time of The Clone Wars was inside The Palioxis Cloud asteroid shield a secret Separatistic base. This base was a research and testing base. People said that who tried to fly through the asteroid shield wasn't seen ever again. Ships disappear in this asteroid shield.

After several missing, all pilots are scared to fly through the asteroid shield. But one day a young pilot didn't listen to direct order and flew inside to the asteroid shield.

That young pilot was known as Hondo Saruko. Hondo was 18 years old, a talent pilot from Corelia and flew the ship of his lord with spice. People said that he was loyal and did everything that his lord ordered him to. Unfortunately this time he thinks that stories about disappearing ships are good for children. And this decision was the last one he made. He disappeared in an asteroid shield for months and everyone thinks that he died there like every pilot who didn't believe that story.

Nobody believed their own eyes when Hondo Saruko appeared in Kaist cantina. But it wasn't Hondo how people knew him. He looked older with red eyes and in torn bloody clothes. He almost walked. People in cantina called for medic. After the examination the medic said that someone did different kinds of tests at him and he had only a few hours of life. Many people came to his bed to listen to his story. Legend said that Hondo said this...

After he flew to the asteroid shield he didn't see anything extraordinary or strange. Opposite was the truth and in the next moment flows around him a several vulture droids who surrounded him. They escorted his ship to a secret base hangar. He tried to escape but they were too much and he also wanted to save his cargo.

In the hangar he was brutally dragged from the ship and handed over to work to doctors who worked on various weapons of mass destruction. Their specialization was chemical weapons that attacked the very underlying DNA. After a series of tests, the droids dragged Honda to a prison that also served as an observatory for doctors to see the results of their work.

Hondo was added to the other missing pilots and felt like the worst nightmare. The prison was dimly lit and menacing shadows flickered on the walls. The dread of the place where Hondo found himself was underlined by lamentations and painful cries. Everywhere he looked he saw pain, fear, and despair. The tests that the doctors performed had dire consequences. All the pilots began to crumble on the floor lay pieces of fallen tissue that filled all possible places. At that moment, Hondo realized how foolish he was and that the same terrible fate awaited him.

Days of pain and despair passed. The experiments were already bearing the fruit of doctors' work, and Hondo screamed in painful agony. In the first days two fingers break and fall apart without reason. After a week he lost his sensation in his hands, and gradually pieces of skin

began to fall off as some of him would cut them. Hondo could not sleep because the painful scream never subsided. He asked for mercy for them, but the doctors only praised the great results.

Hondo knew he would die there, as would the leading pilots who had been taken out of cell by the droids every day. But he didn't want to end like that. And so he pretended his death, and when the droids dragged him to the hangar, where they then threw all their bodies into space, he managed to escape. The droids didn't expect anyone to wake up, so they didn't resist. Hondo climbed into his ship as fast as he could and flew away.

Legend has it that after the last words he released his soul. And the people of Cantina reported the incident to the authorities.

People whisper that a few days after the report clone soldiers have broken into the base, but they don't know what happened there. But it is said that the base was blown up and the ships of the dead pilots still float in the asteroid shield forever.