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Price of Exit - Tom Marshall 2011-08-10

"The risk of a fatal catastrophe was constant. The NVA was the enemy, but the ultimate opponent was, quite simply, death. . . ." For assault helicopter crews flying in and around the NVA-infested DMZ, the U.S. pullout from Vietnam in 1970-71 was a desperate time of selfless courage. Now former army warrant officer Tom Marshall of the Phoenix, C Company, 158th Aviation Battalion, 101st Airborne, captures the deadly mountain terrain, the long hours flown under enormous stress, the grim determination of hardened pilots combat-assaulting through walls of antiaircraft fire, the pickups amid exploding mortar shells and hails of AK fire, the nerve-racking string extractions of SOG teams from North Vietnam. . . . And, through it all, the rising tension as helicopter pilots and crews are lost at an accelerating pace. It is no coincidence that the Phoenix was one of the most highly decorated assault helicopter units in I Corps. For as the American departure accelerated and the enemy added new, more powerful antiaircraft weapons, the helicopter pilots, crew chiefs, and gunners paid the heavy price of withdrawal in blood. For more than 30 Percent of Tom Marshall's 130 helicopter-school classmates, the price of exit was their lives. . . .

Long Time Passing - Myra MacPherson 2009-04-20

This new edition of a classic book on the impact of the Vietnam War on Americans reintroduces the haunted voices of the Vietnam era to a new generation of readers. Based on more than 500 interviews, Long Time Passing is journalist Myra MacPherson's acclaimed exploration of the wounds, pride, and guilt of those who fought and those who refused to fight the war that continues to envelop the psyche of this nation. In a new introduction, Myra MacPherson reflects on what has changed, and what hasn't, in the years since these interviews were conducted, explains the key points of reference from the 1980s that feature prominently in them, and brings the stories of her principal characters up to date. "A haunting chorus of voices, a moving deeply disturbing evocation of an era." —San Francisco Chronicle "A brilliant and necessary book . . . this stunning depiction of Vietnam's bitter fruit is calculated to agitate even the most complacent American." —Philadelphia Inquirer "There have been many books on the Vietnam War, but few have captured its second life as memory better than Long Time Passing." —Washington Post Book World "Enthralling reading . . . full of deep and strong emotions." —New York Times

The Kansas Nco - Joe Campolo 2014-05

Although this book is fiction much of it is based on fact and personal experience. The author (Joe) was able to capture the several faces of the GI in Vietnam. He conveys how easy it was to go from mundane, boring days to life threatening situations in the blink of an eye. He shows the frustration, confusion and terror each GI felt at one time or another during his tour. Gary Labanow; USAF Vietnam veteran, retired airline pilot The Kansas NCO is a top-notch war story that gains momentum as it goes along. Totally absorbing, with a great stinger at the end, this book will keep a reader turning the pages to its conclusion. Lots of action, as one expects, but it also speaks volumes about war and its effects on those placed in the middle of it. Highly recommended. Michael Schumacher, author of *Mighty Fitz*, *Wreck of the Carl D.*, and *November's Fury* The Kansas NCO is an easy read and hard to put down. Anyone who had boots on the ground in Vietnam would enjoy the believable characters, plot, and will easily relate to this story. The terms, phrases and descriptions of the climate, terrain, wildlife and the enemy strike vivid memories of those times. Ed Heyward, U.S. Marine Vietnam War veteran

The Easter Offensive Of 1972 - Lt. Gen. Ngo Quang Truong 2015-11-06

Includes over 30 maps and illustrations This monograph forms part of the Indochina Monograph series written by senior military personnel from the former Army of the Republic of Vietnam who served against the northern communist invasion. "In 1968, a U.S. presidential election year,

Communist North Vietnam initiated the Tet Offensive, striking at almost all major cities and towns of South Vietnam. This general offensive was eventually defeated by the collective efforts of the Republic of Vietnam, United States and Free World Assistance forces. Four years later, in 1972—again a U.S. presidential election year—North Vietnam threw its entire military might behind an invasion to conquer the South. This time, however, South Vietnam had to fight for survival with only logistics and combat support provided by the United States. Almost all U.S. and Free World Military Assistance combat forces had been withdrawn when the first attacks began on 30 April 1972. By all standards, the Easter Offensive of 1972 was one of North Vietnam's most significant initiatives during the Vietnam War. This all-out effort involved eventually in excess of ten divisions on each side and affected the lives of well over a million South Vietnamese people. During the eight long months of fierce fighting, the Republic of Vietnam Armed Forces put Vietnamization to a severe test. During the period of the Easter Offensive, I had the privilege of participating in some of its major battles, first as IV Corps and then as I Corps commander beginning in early May 1972. I visited many of our combat units as they fought the North Vietnam Army and commanded the RVNAF counteroffensive to retake Quang Tri City. My critical analysis of the enemy 1972 Easter Invasion, therefore, is based almost exclusively on my own personal observations, impressions and interviews with Vietnamese who were directly involved."—Authors' Preface.

**Battle for Baqubah** - Robert S. Colella 2012

The Battle for Baqubah: Killing Our Way Out is a firsthand account-and sometimes a minute-by-minute tale-of a raw, in-your-face street fight with Al Qaeda militants over a fifteen-month span in the volatile Diyala Province of Iraq. This story is presented through the eyes of a first sergeant serving with B Company 1-12 Cavalry (Bonecrushers), 1st Cavalry Division, out of Fort Hood, Texas. The author takes the reader into the midst of the conflict in and around Baqubah-Iraq's "City of Death"-a campaign that lasted most of 2007. The author and his fellow Bonecrushers watched as the city went from sectarian fighting amongst the Shiite and Sunnis, to an all-out jihad against the undermanned and dangerously dispersed US forces within Baqubah and the outlying areas. My VIETNAM - Jack Bilups 2021-07-07

"Hey Dad, instead of a gift, would you share your Vietnam experiences with me?" Four months later with my memoir complete, Naomi asked another question. "Hey Dad, let's go to Vietnam, just you and me?" Could the ghosts of Vietnam past morph into a father and daughter blessing in the present?

*U.S. Army Helicopter Names in Vietnam* - John Brennan 2011

The personal naming of military aircraft in the Vietnam War is not unique in American history. What is unique is the near total lack of documentation of the existence of those names on in-country Army helicopters during the 1961-'73 conflict in S. E. Asia. This book remedies that once and for all! -Over 3,000 Army copter names cross-referenced by Unit -Details on Origin, Time Period, Location, Function, Type, Serial Number, Artist, Crew and more -More than 2,000 contributor names listed and cross-referenced -Perfect for veterans, hobbyists, historical researchers, KIA families, sociologists, aviation enthusiasts and students of Americana-just to name a few -Includes 40 rare photographs U.S. Army Helicopter Names in Vietnam provides an essential and heretofore missing puzzle piece in helping to identify and better understand our warrior brothers, fathers, uncles, sons and friends who manned these incredible flying machines in the skies of Vietnam.

*The Distinguished Flying Cross Society* - Turner Publishing Co 2004

*PJs in Vietnam* - Robert L. LaPointe 2001

*The Vietnam War Day by Day* - Leo Daugherty 2011-08-01

The hardcover reference titles in the Day by Day series examine the

evolution of conflicts and wars in a chronological timeline, from the first skirmish to the last battle—and everything in between. These books are a historical companion to each major war in the nineteenth and twentieth century. The fate of soldiers, battalions, armies, can change in the blink of an eye—with this comprehensive book readers can follow the conflicting sides in their strategy, weaponry, and policies. This chronological approach to the conflict allows the reader to see at a glance the key operations on land, at sea, and in the air. The individual stories of events during the war appear as separate articles written as lively newspaper accounts, using the terminology and phrases used in the war, such as "Charlie", search and destroy, and body counts. In this way the reader is able to relive the ebb and flow of the war, while the contemporary images complement the entries and bring this unique conflict to life. In addition, the full color maps allow the reader to follow the course of the campaigns and battles with ease. This book also contains boxes on specific aspects of the war, such as strategy and tactics, decisive weapons, and regional politics. The authoritative text is complemented by over 400 photographs that illuminate one of the most long running and tragic conflicts of the twentieth century.

**Dictionary of the Vietnam War** - James Stuart Olson 1988

Offers coverage of key concepts, people, and locations of the Vietnam War, with emphasis on the United States' military and political involvement in Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia from 1945 through 1975.

**Know Your Enemy** - United States. Directorate for Armed Forces Information and Education 1966

**The 13th Valley** - John M. Del Vecchio 1999-02-15

A new edition of a classic 1982 American Book Award nominee follows James Chelni, an infantryman in Vietnam, who, while stationed in an area controlled by enemy forces, changes from having pacifist leanings to being a raging war lover. Reprint.

**Single Handed** - Daniel M. Cohen 2016-05-03

From a World War II concentration camp to the Korean War to the White House, this is the story of Tibor "Teddy" Rubin, the only Holocaust survivor ever to receive a Medal of Honor... After being captured by Nazis and living through a year in the Mauthausen concentration camp, young Hungarian immigrant Tibor Rubin arrived in America, penniless and barely speaking English. In 1950, he volunteered for service in the Korean War. After numerous acts of heroism, including single-handedly defending a hill against enemy soldiers, rescuing a wounded comrade amid sniper fire, and commandeering a machine gun, he was captured and spent two and a half years in captivity. Still, it wasn't until 2005, when Tibor was seventy-six, that he received the Medal of Honor from President George W. Bush—making the former Hungarian refugee the only Holocaust survivor to earn America's highest military distinction. Drawing on eyewitness accounts and extensive interviews, *Single-Handed* is the inspiring account of the life of Tibor "Teddy" Rubin, a stirring portrait of a true American hero.

*Why Vietnam* - 1965

**Aces and Aerial Victories** - R. Frank Futrell 2002-04-01

*Aces and Aerial Victories* is a collection of first-hand accounts by Air Force fighter crews who flew combat missions over North Vietnam between 1965 and 1973. They recall their air battles with enemy MIG fighters, the difficult and dangerous tactical maneuvers they had to perform to survive, and their victories and defeats.

**Misfire** - Bob Orkand 2019-07-26

The M16 rifle is one of the world's most famous firearms, iconic as the American weapon of the Vietnam War—and, indeed, as the U.S. military's standard service rifle until only a few years ago. But the story of the M16 in Vietnam is anything but a success story. In the early years of the war, the U.S. military had a problem: its primary infantry rifle, the M14, couldn't stand up to the enemy's AK-47s. The search was on for a replacement that was lighter weight, more durable, and more lethal than the M14. After tests (some of which the new rifle had failed) and debates (more than a few rooted in the army brass's resistance to change), Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara ordered the adoption of the M16, which was rushed through production and rushed to Vietnam, reaching troops' hands in early 1965. Problems appeared immediately. Soldiers were often not adequately trained to maintain the new rifle (in fact some were told the new rifle was "self-cleaning"), nor were they always given cleaning supplies or instructions. The harsh jungle climate corroded the rifle's chamber, exacerbated by the manufacturer's decision against chrome-plating the chamber. The ammunition that accompanied the rifles sent to Vietnam was incompatible with the M16

and was the principal cause of the failure to extract malfunctions. The result was the M16 often jammed, making the rifle "about as effective as a muzzleloader," in the words of one officer. Men were killed in combat because they couldn't return fire until the malfunction was cleared. Congress investigated and the rifle and its ammunition were incrementally modified, greatly improving its reliability over the next few years. Troop training was also improved. But the damage to the M16's reputation could not be undone, and many soldiers remained deeply skeptical of their rifle through the war's end. *Misfire* combines insider knowledge of U.S. Army weapons development with firsthand combat experience in Vietnam to tell the story of the M16 in Vietnam. Even as it details the behind-the-scenes development, tests, and debates that brought this rifle into service, the book also describes men and M16s in action on the battlefield, never losing sight of the soldiers who carried M16s in the jungles of Vietnam and all too often suffered the consequences of decisions they had nothing to do with.

**Boy Sergeant** - Doug Warden 2010-12-28

A college dropout who was drafted to serve his country, Doug Warden was barely 20 years old when he arrived in Vietnam in 1967 as a private first class. He was 'green as a gourd' in the ways of warfare, but he stayed alive, listened and learned from his platoon leader and became a capable leader. He was first a rifleman, then a few days later, a Radio Telephone Operator for his platoon leader and then for his company commander. He gave up the relative safety of serving in the company command post to return to his platoon. He became a squad leader, platoon sergeant, and platoon leader in a remarkable short period of time. He would return to the states a staff sergeant with 5 months time in grade. Along the way, Doug became one of the most decorated soldiers in the 1st Battalion, 12th Cavalry. He was awarded two Silver Stars for gallantry in action, the Bronze Star for Heroism, the Soldier's Medal, the Air Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, three Purple Hearts, the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry, and the Valorous Unit Award for his service in Vietnam. In addition, he earned the Combat Infantry Badge and the Parachutist Badge.

**Seventeen Seventy-six** - David McCullough 2006-07-04

Draws on personal correspondence and period diaries to present a history of the American Revolution that includes the siege of Boston, the American defeat at Brooklyn, the retreat across New Jersey, and the American victory at Trenton.

**Where's Charlie?** - Tim Soyars 2011-07-14

History books and novels are filled with stories of young men and women going off to war. In each, the experiences and challenges are as varied as the people themselves. The stories tell of leaders and followers, cowards and heroes. In *Where's Charlie?* author Tim Soyars narrates his own story of how he came of age while serving in the US Army during the Vietnam War. In this memoir, Soyars tells how his personality, background, and attitude contributed to his will to succeed and his desire to be involved in the Vietnam War. As a boy, he always knew he'd serve his country. With both humor and sincerity, Soyars narrates his story—his birth in Virginia in 1945, his induction into the army in 1965, his marriage in 1966, and his one-year service in Vietnam with the First Cavalry from March of 1967 to 1968. Including photos of the period, *Where's Charlie?* conveys not only the sadness and heroics often associated with war, but also shares stories of warmth, compassion, and romance. It provides a glimpse into the horror of battle and offers insight into one soldier's actions and thoughts during this unique time in history.

**Sog - A Photo History of the Secret Wars** - JOHN L. PLASTER 2022-04-30

A new edition of this classic illustrated history of the operations and operatives of MACV-SOG in the Vietnam War.

**Wind Loggers** - Dorsey Alan Wingo 2005-05

In 1996 after becoming a heli-logger, Dorsey Wingo (also known as Captain Methane to his logging friends) began to document adventures experienced during ten years spent as a helicopter logging pilot. Also included are a few extra favorite tales from earlier in his pilot career.

**Sog** - John L. Plaster 2010-09-07

"The most comprehensive examination of widespread covert American actions during the Vietnam War."—Kirkus Reviews Code-named the Studies and Observations Group, SOG was the most secret elite U.S. military unit to serve in the Vietnam War—so secret its very existence was denied by the government. Composed entirely of volunteers from such ace fighting units as the Army Green Berets, Air Force Air Commandos, and Navy SEALs, SOG took on the most dangerous covert assignments, in the deadliest and most forbidding theaters of operation. Major John L. Plaster, three-tour SOG veteran, shares the gripping

exploits of these true American warriors. Here is a minute-by-minute, heartbeat-by-heartbeat account of SOG's stunning operations behind enemy lines—penetrating heavily defended North Vietnamese military facilities, holding off mass enemy attacks, launching daring missions to rescue downed U.S. pilots. From sabotage to espionage to hand-to-hand combat, these are some of the most extraordinary true stories of honor and heroism in the history of the U.S. military.

**Rotational Deployments Vs. Forward Stationing** - John R. Deni  
2018-02-12

"The Army's force posture is out of balance, with a greater percentage of troops stationed in the United States than at any time since the late 1940s. This has forced an over-reliance on lengthy, continuous rotational deployments to achieve deterrence and assurance in theaters such as northeast Asia and Europe. This finding is based on a 9-month study assessing the costs and benefits of rotational deployments and forward stationing. The analysis reveals that in terms of fiscal cost, training readiness, morale and family readiness, and diplomatic factors, the United States could likely achieve deterrence and assurance objectives more efficiently and more effectively with increased forward stationing. The recommendations address what kinds of units would be best suited for forward stationing, where forward stationing would be most efficacious, and how the Department of Defense should go about rebalancing Army force posture"--Publisher's web site.

**Undaunted Valor** - Matt Jackson 2020-04-10

Tracer fire streaked through the sky like angry bolts of lightning...  
...Metal crunched and the helicopter shook. Smoke and flames began to fill the aircraft. They were going to crash... Major Adams flew low over the treetops in his Huey, expertly dodging enemy ground fire until his helicopter was shot down. On Firebase 6, 1st Lieutenant Brian Thacker fought desperately to provide the besieged men the time they needed to retreat. They had to get into the helicopters before they were overrun by the North Vietnamese. Will the calls for artillery fire be enough to turn the tide of this battle? Will Lieutenant Thacker or Major Adams survive? Join Lieutenant Dan Cory as he returns to Vietnam with his old unit, flying north from Lai Khe to Dak To. Undaunted Valor recounts the battle that took place on Firebases 5 and 6 in Dak To that resulted in two men receiving the Medal of Honor. Matt Jackson recounts some of the most intense helicopter and ground combat action of the Vietnam war from the eyes of a man who spent two combat tours there. His accounts reveal the dedication the helicopter crews had to each other and the grunts they supported. Awarded the Silver Star for his own actions in the battle, Matt brings a realism to this long-forgotten battle that continues to play out in the minds of those who fought it. If you love heart-pounding action, visceral battles, and true tales of heroism, grab your copy of Undaunted Valor today.

**The Gates of the Shadow** - Richard Vidaurri 2006-06-06

The Gates of the Shadow is a chillingly honest, frightening and sometimes humorous novel about young Richard Murphy and his nearly two years on the battlefield. It is 1972 when Murphy tells his story from the orthopedic ward of an Army hospital. Shifting between narrative and letters exchanged with his love, Theresa, Murphy's perspectives on America's longest war are uncommonly incisive and unexpected. The reader is immediately pulled into the seventeen year old Murphy's stateside training; training that he will soon discover is wholly inadequate for the realities of Vietnam. When he is sent to Chu Lai, on the South China Sea, to serve with the Americal Division he begins to realize how ill-prepared he is for battle. As the months wear on, through combat, boredom, terror and unexpected death, Murphy, now a tank gunner, learns the rules of war. Along the way he encounters a fascinating cast of characters. There is Henry Mata, a young Private who is occasionally promoted to Sergeant and is on his fifth tour in Vietnam, Jose Rojas, the memorable tank commander, and Tommy, only twelve years old and already battle-savvy. But Murphy also undergoes a subtle awakening. He gradually becomes enamored with Vietnam and the war that goes with it and this leads him to make the fateful decision to stay on. Not at all the typical war story. Richard Vidaurri served with the Americal Division in Vietnam from 1970 to 1972. He lives and writes in Los Angeles.

**Troopships of World War II** - Roland Wilbur Charles 1947

"This book contains authentic photographs and salient facts covering 358 troopships used in World War II. In addition, other vessels of miscellaneous character, including Victory and Liberty type temporary conversions for returning troops, are listed in the appendices ..."--Pref.

**The Rescue of Bat 21** - Darrel Whitcomb 2014-07-15

When his electronic warfare plane, call sign Bat 21, was shot down on 2

April 1972, fifty-three-year-old Air Force navigator Icelal "Gene" Hambleton parachuted into the middle of a North Vietnamese invasion force and set off the biggest and most controversial air rescue effort of the Vietnam War. After twenty-five years of official secrecy, the story of that dangerous and costly rescue is revealed by a decorated Air Force pilot and Vietnam veteran. Involving personnel from all services, including the Coast Guard, the unorthodox rescue operation claimed the lives of eleven soldiers and airmen, destroyed or damaged several aircraft, and put hundreds of airmen, a secret commando unit, and a South Vietnamese infantry division at risk. It also examines the thorny debates arising from an operation that balanced one man's life against mounting U.S. and South Vietnamese casualties and material losses, the operation's impact on one of the most critical battles of the war, and the role played by search and rescue as America disengaged from that war.  
**New LRL Reprints** - University of California. Lawrence Radiation Laboratory 1968

**Vietnam Helicopter Pilots Association** - Bill Greenhalgh 2007

Presents the Vietnam Helicopter Pilots Association (VHPA), a nonprofit war veterans organization dedicated to bringing together rotary wing aircrews that flew in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam War. Posts contact information for the head quarters in Citrus Heights, California via mailing address, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail. Contains information on membership, subscribing to VHPA publications, and annual reunions. Provides a membership report and individual war stories. Links to related organizations and helicopter unit sites.

**How Stevie Nearly Lost the War and Other Postwar Stories** - Marc Levy 2016-09-15

"Through fiction and non fiction, Stevie and Other Postwar Stories' depicts the violence and sorrow, the humor and eros, of war and its aftermath." -- back cover

**173rd Airborne Brigade (Sep)** - Turner Publishing Company Staff 1992-07

Walk with THE HERD through the steaming jungles of Southeast Asia. The 173rd Airborne Brigade (Sep) was the first infantry brigade to fight & the only airborne group to make a combat jump in Vietnam. Powerful action photographs, special stories, index, killed in action list, biographies & photos of vets. Full color endsheets display the color patches of THE HERD.

**Helicopter Rescues Vietnam Volume XII** - Phil Marshall 2020-08-16

Another 22 Helicopter Rescue missions from the Vietnam War as told by the very youthful aircrews who flew those missions in their wondrous machines. All stories are told with no holds barred. Climb into the aircraft with them and re-live their "adventures"!

**Chopper Warriors** - William Peterson 2014-11-10

After having written my first Award Winning book, Missions Of FireAnd Mercy, I felt something was missing. I have always had a greatdeal of respect for the Infantry (grunts) who our unit, C/227th AssaultHelicopter Battalion, 1st Air Cavalry supported. They werealways appreciative of the helicopters and crews. My personal feelingis that they heroically fought the worst part of the Viet Nam war.Chopper Warriors will introduce many of the survivors of thatwar. The true, interesting, guy-wrenching and often thrilling stories youare about to read are from men whom I am honored to know. Many ofthe words written here are theirs from interviews I have done. As a storyteller, I have tried to recapture the events as they happened forty-fiveplus years ago.The narrative and scenes created here are mostly true, and thedialogue is written for all audiences from teenagers to adults, menand women alike.Our unit supported these men in every way; inserting them intothe fiery hell of battle, and supplying them with ammo, food, water,and mail, often under intense enemy fire. When they were ready tomove on to a different LZ, we picked them up and re-insertedthem. When they were sick or wounded, we flew them to the closestfield hospital. When they were silently lying in the jungle,having breathed their last, they were solemnly picked up and loadedon our choppers. We reverently evacuated them to an area wherethey could be cared for, prior to their final flight back to their lovedones. I have the utmost respect for the guys we called "grunts".Though our military technology didn't always work, the helicopterwas a very useful tool for putting our troops right where theyneeded to be - deep within the enemy's lair. More importantly, thechoppers saved innumerable lives that in other wars would havebeen snuffed out. For that I am grateful to have been a part of theFirst Team in Viet Nam.In my personal stories that you will read, I have used actualnames whenever possible. In other cases, names have been changedin honor of the families.It is my most sincere hope that these

accounts will be read by many who have lost loved ones in this most unpopular war. Many soldiers involved in Viet Nam, the Gulf War, Iraq, Afghanistan, and others have declined to tell their own stories to those they love back home, as they actually happened. The feelings that war veterans have run very deep and are often very traumatic. Many don't want to relive those horrendous nightmares. Severe cases of PTSD, guilt, or not wanting families to know what they went through are prevalent and very real. In many cases, their stories are relived here as they actually happened. Here, you may finally read about what your son, grandson, husband, father, or friend endured. Though honorable and often heroic, you can be sure the memories are horrible, and something they will never forget. Throughout these stories, you will see the word "grunts." It seems that all wars have their own nomenclature. In Viet Nam, a grunt fought the toughest part of the war, in my mind. In many cases, that was to lessen the fear of their family and friends. Though noble, I personally feel that to be a shame. I pray that knowing what your loved ones went through may bring healing to a lot of you.

*Vietnam War Helicopter Art* - John Brennan 2014-02-01

Hundreds of unique color photos showing how soldiers decorated their helicopters during the Vietnam War.

**Centaurs in Vietnam** - Carl William Burns 2008-06-02

The untold tale of the first year of the Centaurs in Vietnam as told through the eyes of the pilots, troopers, and LRRPs who fought at Cu Chi in 1966-67.

*They Were Soldiers* - Joseph L. Galloway 2020-05-12

*They Were Soldiers* showcases the inspiring true stories of 49 Vietnam veterans who returned home from the "lost war" to enrich America's present and future. In this groundbreaking new book, Joseph L. Galloway, distinguished war correspondent and New York Times bestselling author of *We Were Soldiers Once . . . and Young*, and Marvin J. Wolf, Vietnam veteran and award-winning author, reveal the private lives of those who returned from Vietnam to make astonishing contributions in science, medicine, business, and other arenas, and change America for the better. For decades, the soldiers who served in Vietnam were shunned by the American public and ignored by their government. Many were vilified or had their struggles to reintegrate into society magnified by distorted depictions of veterans as dangerous or demented. Even today, Vietnam veterans have not received their due. Until now. These profiles are touching and courageous, and often startling. They include veterans both known and unknown, including: Frederick Wallace ("Fred") Smith, CEO and founder of FedEx; Marshall Carter, chairman of the New York Stock Exchange; Justice Eileen Moore, appellate judge who also serves as a mentor in California's Combat Veterans Court; Richard Armitage, former deputy secretary of state under Colin Powell; Guion "Guy" Bluford Jr., first African American in space. Engrossing, moving, and eye-opening, *They Were Soldiers* is a magnificent tribute that gives long overdue honor and recognition to the soldiers of this "forgotten generation."

**Secret Green Beret Commandos in Cambodia** - LTC Fred S. Lindsey 2012-11-12

We could call this book Special Operations Recon Mission Impossible. A small group of highly trained, resourceful US Special Forces (SF) men is

asked to go in teams behind the enemy lines to gather intelligence on the North Vietnamese Army units that had infiltrated through Laos and Cambodia down the Ho Chi Minh trails to their secret bases inside the Cambodian border west of South Vietnam. The covert reconnaissance teams, of only two or three SF men with four or five experienced indigenous mercenaries each, were tasked to go into enemy target areas by foot or helicopter insertion. They could be 15 kilometers beyond any other friendly forces, with no artillery support. In sterile uniforms - with no insignia or identification, if they were killed or captured, their government would deny their military connection. The enemy had placed a price on their heads and had spies in their Top Secret headquarters known as SOG. SOG had three identical recon ground units along the border areas. This book tells the history of Command and Control Detachment South (CCS). The CCS volunteer warriors and its Air Partners the Army and Air Force helicopter transport and gunship crews who lived and fought together and sometimes died together. This is the first published history of CCS as compiled by its last living commander, some forty years after they were disbanded. It tells of the struggles and intrigue involved in SOGs development as the modern-day legacy of our modern Special Operations Commands. Forbidden to tell of their experiences for over twenty years; their After Action Reports destroyed even before they were declassified surviving veterans team together to tell how Recon men wounded averaged 100 percent; and SOG became the most highly decorated unit in Vietnam and all were awarded the Presidential Unit Citation.

**The Rise and Fall of Captain Methane** - Dorsey Alan Wingo 2010

"Death on the 'Twilight Zone' Set" Los Angeles Herald Examiner, July 24, 1982 "Flying debris from exploding gasoline fireballs triggered yesterday's freak helicopter crash that killed veteran actor Vic Morrow and two child actors as they filmed an escape scene, preliminary reports from investigators indicate." May 29th, 1987 - The jury in the Twilight Zone accident case acquit movie director John Landis and four co-defendants of all charges filed by the LA District Attorney. Among the jurors' conclusions were that the Vietnam era helicopter was accidentally sent spinning out of control during filming by poorly timed special effects explosions. In Northwest Texas, a small town shoeshine boy looks to the blue skies above Sundown and yearns to be a pilot. Ten years pass and Dorsey Wingo is drafted as part of LBJ's massive military build-up in Vietnam. In March of 1969, "Charlie" Model gunship pilot Wingo takes to the skies over Pleiku in the defense of freedom. The author survives his tour of duty, returning to a shattered marriage, and an ungrateful and divided America. In time, his love of flying takes him as far afield as the jungles of Peru and the poppy fields of Mexico. Then came the movies, and the Twilight Zone. Southern California has been Wingo's home base for many years of his aerial adventures, culminating as a Huey logging pilot in the Northwestern USA and Alaska. "Captain Methane" put *Wind Loggers* into print in 2005, the first such book about the hazardous helicopter logging profession.

**Discovery of Flight 19** - Jon F. Myhre 2011-09-30

The Discovery of Flight 19, by a former US Army pilot who surveyed the records and charts to locate the five TBM Avengers that disappeared over 60 years ago.