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A young U.S. Army sergeant, recovered from battle with Rommel's Afrika Korps, is appointed the leader of a dozen very bright, know-it-all draftees being poured into the Army's replacement pool. He toughens them into an effective but naïve team. After they come ashore at Utah Beach, the Wehrmacht hands out its own bloody lessons. In minutes, one is dead and a second wounded, the start of a pitiless 10-month ordeal. In horrific combat from Normandy through the Bulge to the Elbe River, they learn to fight a more skilled and hardened enemy. All pay a steep price.

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occupied North Africa through final victory in Germany, told through the eyes of one soldier, who was in a mortar company practically throughout the campaigns. The story is somewhat specialized from the viewpoint of this mortar company, and very hard to put down, with one caveat: Spelling and grammatical editing mistakes are scattered throughout. With a little care, it would have emerged as a first-class edition.

Robert Lomas says

Great World War II novel

This is one of the best World War II novels that I have read in along time.. It was very descriptive and a great story.

Kami Pineda says

Great storytelling about what's it's like to be in a mortar crew

A hard hitting story about a mortar crew during the end of WWII. Usually d stories are about infantrymen, This one has a different perspective about soldiers providing crucial support but are largely viewed as sidebars . Realistic n historically accurate. Thankfully d back stories r kept to a minimum. Not too sugary but informative. The exoneration of "The Dick" crimes may be a little bit implausible but hopefully he gets his just desserts. Maybe bamboo splinters up his nails or better yet up his nonexistent manhood.

Joe Graf says

Great book about WWII

Very well written. Humor, horror and vivid description of war. It tells you why our WWII vets are in fact the greatest Generation.

Stephen F. Wepner says

Exciting, good read with excellent character development.

A bit over done on the British characters, but overall a fast, fun read. Recommended for those who enjoy an existing war story

Steven L Lepper says

Sorry to see it end

Not what I expected, I expected a good book and got an excellent one. Didn't know much about mortar crews in WWII and found it fascinating. Loved the characters and loved the action. I also loved (and hated) that it wasn't Book 1 of_. I cared enough of the 'cast' to want more but don't like chapters turned into a series of novels. Well done.

7\$MartyQ says

Great Read!

Most of the history of WWII I know is of the Pacific campaigns, as my father was part of that war. He was more than reticent to speak about his war, and so most of my knowledge came from books on the subject. His brother and all of my uncles were part of the European theater. No matter where they served, they were all part of The Greatest Generation, and I think they would be turning in their graves if they could see what the county they loved and fought for has devolved into.

Robert M. Roth MD says

Good, but could have been great

This is a good story of a corporal in the Army at the precipice of World War II. The battle scenes are well done and the book does not drag. Dialogue is credible and the depiction of life as a mortar man is nicely portrayed. The protagonist is drawn well. The other characters who enjoy prominence in this historical novel, are not. We know little to nothing about what they think, feel or, in many cases, who they are as an individual. With a bit of added characterization, this could have been a better tale.

Peter L says

Brought to Battle Revisits WWII from a mortar man's point of view

Although this account of war up close is a little weak on plot and how story told it does add lots of little details that show significant research or first hand experience makes this an ok book to read although a little too simplistic for my tastes.

Greg Oaster says

Great read

If you enjoyed band of brothers, then you will enjoy this. Even though it is a novel I felt the intimacy that I felt reading and then watching band of brothers. And to those have read and or seen it, I'm sure Major "Dick" will remind you of a certain company commander.

kentdavidmckelvey says

Entertaning

Fast action ,with an education thrown in. This was a real war . Unlike Viet Nam, the U.S. fought to win.. As a veteran of that fiasco, I did my best knowing in my heart that we were destined to fail. Lucky me, I returned to look at the wall in Washington and wept for those who were not so fortunate.
