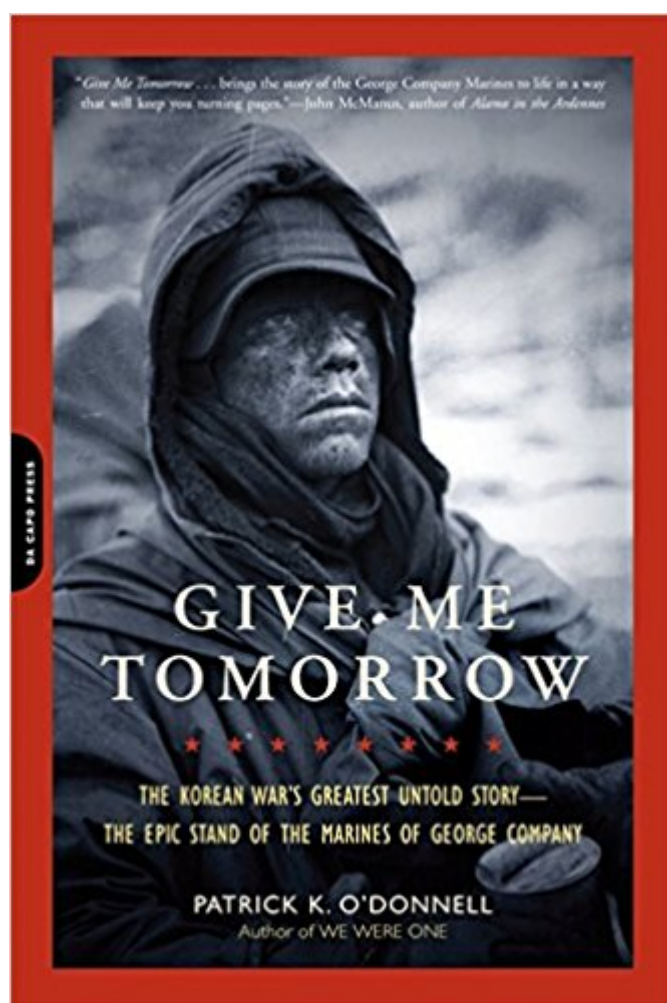


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Give Me Tomorrow: The Korean War's Greatest Untold Story--The Epic Stand Of The Marines Of George Company



Synopsis

“What would you want if you could have any wish?” asked the photojournalist of the haggard, bloodied Marine before him. The Marine gaped at his interviewer. The photographer snapped his picture, which became the iconic Korean War image featured on this book’s jacket. “Give me tomorrow,” he said at last. After nearly four months of continuous and agonizing combat on the battlefields of Korea, such a simple request seemed impossible. For many men of George Company, or “Bloody George” as they were known “one of the Forgotten War’s most decorated yet unrecognized companies” it was a wish that would not come true. This is the untold story of “Bloody George,” a Marine company formed quickly to answer its nation’s call to duty in 1950. This small band of men “a colorful cast of characters, including a Native American fighting to earn his honor as a warrior, a Southern boy from Tennessee at odds with a Northern blue-blood reporter-turned-Marine, and a pair of twins who exemplified to the group the true meaning of brotherhood” were mostly green troops who had been rushed through training to fill America’s urgent need on the Korean front. They would find themselves at the tip of the spear in some of the Korean War’s bloodiest battles. After storming ashore at Inchon and fighting house-to-house in Seoul, George Company, one of America’s last units in reserve, found itself on the frozen tundra of the Chosin Reservoir facing elements of an entire division of Chinese troops. They didn’t realize it then, but they were soon to become crucial to the battle “modern-day Spartans called upon to hold off ten times their number. Give Me Tomorrow is their unforgettable story of bravery and courage. Thoroughly researched and vividly told, Give Me Tomorrow is fitting testament to the heroic deeds of George Company. They will never again be forgotten.

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The author of the well-received *We Were One* (2006) turns his attention to the Korean War, specifically to George Company of the First Marines. Mobilized at Camp Pendleton in the summer of 1950, the company went ashore at Inchon and battled house-to-house through Seoul. Then they sailed around to Wonsan and began the march north that led to the Chosin Reservoir campaign. An epic in spite of all the times it has been called "Frozen Chosin," the effort put George Company against formidable opponents. They faced entire regiments of Chinese, abominable subarctic weather, shortages of supplies, and impossible or at least impassable terrain. Most of them were barely trained teenagers, but the training was marine training and their leaders were the formidable likes of First Sergeant Rocco Zullo, who isn't the only marine portrayed with great skill here. Altogether, place this book beside *We Were One* in the certainty of attracting the same audience.

--Roland Green --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Hampton Sides, author of "Ghost Soldiers" and "Blood and Thunder" "Patrick O'Donnell has a rare talent for isolating and burrowing into the great military stories of recent history. With "Give Me Tomorrow," he applies his well-seasoned skills to a brutal, Thermopylae-like battle from the Korean War--a battle that tested the upper limits of heroism and the outer limits of human endurance." John Mosier, author of "The Myth of the Great War" and "The Blitzkrieg Myth" "A meticulously crafted narrative that not only follows the heroic struggles of one Marine unit, but gives the reader a sense of what for most Americans is, sadly enough, a forgotten war. Absolutely flawless: If you only read one book about the Korean War, "Give Me Tomorrow" should be that book." John C. McManus, author of "Alamo in the Ardennes" "Pat O'Donnell is, quite simply, one of the best combat historians of our time. In "Give Me Tomorrow," he turns his attention to the Korean War and brings the story of the Geor

I bought this book for a new friend of mine, a super human being who was a Colonel in the Army and, in the Korean War (the first Korean War, I mean). I was in the lessor known Korean War, the second one, in 1968. I can related to the title, "Give Me Tomorrow," as that is the prayer that I said many times, both when held captured and at gunpoint, not knowing if I would ever come back home, and, also, after a sabotage of our helicopter and losing six men, especially when I was a "short timer." That's when it was the worst. Bravo for writing this book about a war that gets too little press. No one knows how tough it is in North Korea, unless they're been there.

Great narrative, just wish it was longer, pertaining to the Marines of George company who faced overwhelming odds and sub zero temperatures during the early phase of the Korean war. The narrative follows the unit of George Company during their mobilization in 1950 at Camp Pendleton through Inchon and Chosin Reservoir. During those days the unit faced entire regiments of Chinese, abominable subarctic weather, shortage of supplies and tough terrain. The book provides good insight of a unit of men who struggled against the odds to defeat the enemy and protect each other.

"Give Me Tomorrow" is one of my favorite books. I knew next to nothing about the Korean War until I read this epic story. Unlike traditional histories, this reads in a very cinematic manner and focuses around a core group of Marines. The book is an amazing story of true courage and survival. These men fought in temperatures approaching 40 below zero, no food and against odds at 20 or more to one--amazing! The men of George Company and the "Frozen Chosen" are all true heroes. If you want to understand the Forgotten War read this book!!

Korea is defiantly America's forgotten war, but this book shows that the men in Korea fought every bit as hard and suffered every bit as much as soldiers have in any other war. Based on the Marines of George company's battle with the Chinese at the Chosin basin, this is a real story of the American hero's who, facing overwhelming odds, fought there way in to rescue a division of Marines and then fought there way back out! Battling 10-1 odds and sub zero temperatures, why this has not been made into a movie already is an insult to every man who fought in Korea. This is possibly the most courageous and over-looked battle in American history! READ IT!

Thoroughly enjoyed this book. I've read many, many books about WW2 but only a scant few on the Korean War (Coldest Winter, Last Stand of Fox Company). The men of the Korean War faced their own terrible hardships, overcame daunting odds, fought with old equipment - and yet persevered. This book - along with Coldest Winter and Last Stand of Fox Company - give a reader a true sense of the effort and sacrifice made by the Korean War vets. The Greatest Generation did not exist only in the years 1941-45. One complaint - early in the book it refers to June 7, 1941 as the date of the attack on Pearl Harbor. Soon thereafter it refers to 5th Marine Division on Guadalcanal. Obviously the date of the attack on Pearl Harbor was Dec 7, not Jun 7. That is at best a terrible type - at worst a huge miss. The 5th Marine Division did not enter battle until Iwo Jima. I have to believe the author was referring to the 5th Marine Regiment at Guadalcanal. The rest of the book overshadowed these two obvious errors, but still made me wonder about the quality of the editing.

Wow!! this is a gripping account that allows one to fully appreciate the great sacrifices that the basic infantryman must make when he is placed in harms way by the very poor decisions made by wannabe generals who value their place "at the top" more than the lives of those they "lead". If I were the parent of a child subject to being called into the service, I would be very afraid, not of war, but the frivolous decisions, made by unfeeling men, that could waste the child's life in that war.

This book gave me a fresh new perspective on a subject that I have studied in depth.....The breakout of the 1st Marine Division from the Chosin Reservoir in North Korea. 1950, two years before my birth. I graduated Boot Camp on 26 November, 1970 twenty years to the day that the Battle commenced. Our Commanding General was Brigadier General John Mc Laughlin who was a Major in "hellfire valley" A good read, but the ending was a little rushed. Every Marine Company deserves a book. That's how legends are born.....in the telling and retelling of the courage and grit that can be found in any Marine unit. "GIVE ME TOMORROW" has told the story of George Company well. Semper Paratus. Sgt. Drury D.C.

This is simply an incredible book, and anything I write cannot do justice to this book or the story of 1st MarDiv at Chosin. Everyone should read this book. Having pretty much every book dedicated to the Chosin campaign, this book easily fits in among the greats.

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