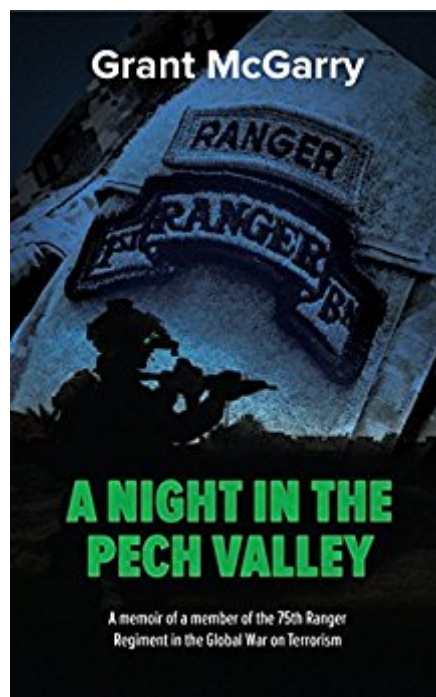




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A Night In The Pech Valley: A Memoir Of A Member Of The 75th Ranger Regiment In The Global War On Terrorism



Synopsis

A Night in the Pech Valley is Grant McGarry's account of what it takes to become an Army Ranger and what life is like in the 75th Ranger Regiment. More importantly it is about an operation in the most dangerous terrain for U.S. forces anywhere in the world. The Pech Valley is surrounded by Taliban-filled mountains on the Pakistan border in the Kunar Province, where the mountain peaks push ten thousand feet. On the night of August 18, 2010 a platoon of Army Rangers were on a direct action raid to capture/kill the 3rd most wanted high value target in Afghanistan and this is the story of the Rangers who ferociously fought through the night and into the next morning. A Night in the Pech Valley is dedicated to Army Ranger, SPC. Christopher Shane Wright, who made the ultimate sacrifice in the Pech Valley on the morning of August 19th, 2010.

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Customer Reviews

I've read over 85 war books and A Night in the Pech Valley ranks as one of the best in its attention to detail.
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A Night In The Pech Valley is turning out to be better than I expected. As I have mentioned, the attention to detail in this memoir is spectacular! Every bit of information is vividly

described as the author takes us through Ranger School, a few of his childish behaviours, then the battles he and his comrades faced in Kunar Province.

Very well written memoir of a combat hardened Army Ranger. The attention to detail really puts you there on the ground with him and his squad. He really describes the feelings of combat and the importance of training hard to win the fight. I really related to the combat parts being a combat vet myself. I also enjoyed how he depicted life in the 75th Ranger Regiment and the challenge of Ranger School. Book was worth every penny and every minute. I read this book in one sitting and it was a great way to close out 2015.

Great book. One thing I liked in particular is that, while it takes place among the ranks of the military, I saw the parallels and application of the Ranger philosophy to civilian life. On one level it is a book about focus, dedication, keeping your head in the game, executing objectives, and getting results. Sometimes there will be setbacks; however, those are to be expected and do not deter one from his ultimate objective: getting the job done. It's no wonder that soldiers transition so well into management positions within a company. They are professional problem solvers. For example, there are several parts in a NITPV where the soldiers either get injured, make a mistake themselves, or find themselves in less than desirable circumstances, surrounded by the enemy. The calm resilience that they display in taking the steps to remedy and advance their positions is an inspiration to anyone who's ever had a problem, which is everyone. It's a book about discipline and what it takes to succeed. It makes you want to approach your work and life with the same discipline, focus and enthusiasm of an Army Ranger; to have that passion and pride in the execution of your job, no matter what it is. I found myself trying to apply the Creed to situations in my own life. At times, we all have a tendency to let the obstacles in our path intimidate us and take our head out of the game while we have a pity party for ourselves. But it's reading about lives like these that are a good reminder to push forward and meet the challenges that we face head on. On the surface it is a fantastic and honest take on modern warfare. Beneath the surface it's a book on effective living.

Not a love story with warm showers or Dear John prose. Straight up, in your face action cover to cover. As ex-military Navy (USS Enterprise), I was relieved to find acronyms explained once and not at every occurrence slowing the read. You'll love this book and you'll appreciate the sacrifice this man and Rangers make. I am not finished reading this yet but I am at around the 68% point on my

kindle. I think I'll have to miss Dancing with the Stars tonight and finish this. From the bottom of my heart thank you for your sacrifice.

A thoroughly engaging window into the soldier's War on Terror. This is a 'boots on the ground' account of the Afghan theatre that mixes a personal development memoir with fascinatingly detailed mission accounts. You will learn the names and tactics of the enemy -- then peak inside an elite unit's planning and execution of missions designed to take the war to enemy combatants. It's an after-action-report fully fleshed out with the human element. If you have a son thinking about joining an elite military unit, this is a great gift. For military history buffs who want to learn the spec ops lingo, this is for you. A pleasing read all around.

If you want a book ghost written for a celebrity general, then keep looking. But if you want a first hand account how the US Army Rangers create and deploy elite soldiers, then this is your book. You will feel like you are right there, in the dust, with tracers ripping through the sky, sweat dripping down, heart pumping. Do your chores early, because once you start reading, you won't be able to put this book down.

This is one of the best books I've ever read and it has great insight on joining the 75th Ranger Regiment. I'm reading it for a second time now and it's just as good as the first time. I'm very thankful for Rangers like Grant and his teammates who fought for our country, some having to pay the ultimate sacrifice. God bless our troops!

Well composed book about the authors experiences in the 75th Ranger Regiment, both at Hunter and in Afghanistan. Mr. McGarry's personal losses were very well portrayed as our collective losses. His service and sacrifices are greatly appreciated by a grateful nation. Thank you!

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