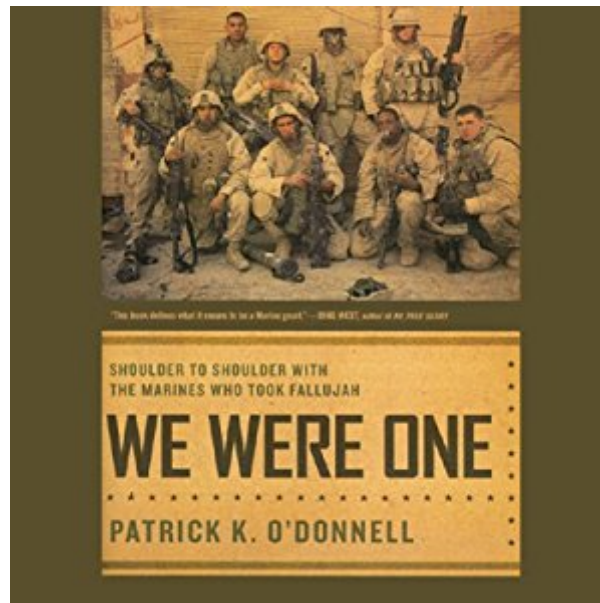


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We Were One: Shoulder-to-Shoulder With The Marines Who Took Fallujah



Synopsis

Five months after being deployed to Iraq, Lima Company's 1st Platoon, 3rd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment, found itself in Fallujah, embroiled in some of the most intense house-to-house, hand-to-hand urban combat since World War II. In the city's bloody streets, they came face-to-face with the enemy-radical insurgents high on adrenaline, fighting to a martyr's death, and suicide bombers approaching from every corner. Award-winning author and historian Patrick O'Donnell stood shoulder to shoulder with this modern band of brothers as they marched and fought through the streets of Fallujah, and he stayed with them as the casualties mounted. --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

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Customer Reviews

Three years ago I met a young combat veteran going to college on his GI Bill. I've spent the last three years working to understand what is going on in his head. Patrick O'Donnell's "We Were One" is his story. He was a Marine. He was a Marine of Lima Company. He was one of the Marine's who took Fallujah. O'Donnell dashed from door to door with the young men of the 'Thundering Third' and he has captured the horror of their bloody battle but more importantly, he has captured what it means to be a Marine. Some joined for patriotism, some joined for family heritage, some joined to stay out of jail. The reason's for becoming a Marine became irrelevant in the face of being a Marine. When their boots hit the dusty streets of Fallujah, politics and patriotism fell by the wayside. The amazing young men of the 3/1 didn't fight for an ideal, they fought for one another. "We Were One" does an incredible job of showing why the Marines have always been the 'tip of the spear'. It is a

hard book to read, especially if you know a Marine who fought with the 3/1. But it is a book that should be read. It is a story that should be heard.

Excellent! Item was delivered on time and as advertised.

Really liked the book, these are our real heroes, not sports persons.

Item is what was described.

It's hard to imagine the magnitude and hard fighting that these Marines experienced and went through, but Patrick O'Donnell does his best to help you understand. So many heroes and so little time to get it right, but the author does yeoman's work to bring the story of a courageous Band of Brothers together in the mazes and labyrinths of Fallujah. The battle's high cost is reflected in these pages. I'm even more saddened to know of Sean Stokes's death in Iraq in July, 2007 after he returned for a third combat tour when he didn't have to. His posthumous Silver Star only scratches the surface of how much this brave young Marine gave to his nation. I've always had great respect for the Marine Corps and their legacy throughout American history. Although I chose a different branch of service, several of my closest friends are Marines, and I'll always be grateful for their contributions to the fight over here in Iraq. I'll never forget the camaraderie and friendship of Marine Majors Martinez, Neidigh, Roberts and Hill, all of whom I got to know in the Armor Officer Basic and Advanced Courses at Fort Knox in the 1990s. In the pages of this book, I see the same professionalism and fighting spirit that I saw firsthand from my Marine Corps tanker brethren. This is a good book- well worth reading. In my opinion, not quite as powerful as David Bellavia's "House to House", nor as sweeping as Bing West's "No True Glory", but close and a worthy addition to any military historian's library. Read the trio of books and you'll only begin to see the epic battle from the various warriors who fought it, but "Fallujah With Honor" is a superb tactical snapshot of one platoon's close-quarters fight, and the disproportionate price they paid for our Freedom. Semper Fidelis, Marines. You honor us all with your actions. Baghdad 02-08-2008

What our troops have gone thru is something the press would not endure. The press have not given the real story. This is a real story of what Marines and Army ground troops have done. It is a bad thing that the press only give their own view and not the whole truth. We need to give credit for what is done and leave politics out of the Military!

My husband loved this book.

Amazing insight into what it was really like to be in the s*** during Operation Phantom Fury with the Men of 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines Specifically Lima Company 1st Platoon.. I had left the very same platoon months before to join another unit and O'Donnell was able to tell their story in a way that made me feel like I was there with them, he captured their personas exactly as I knew these men.

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