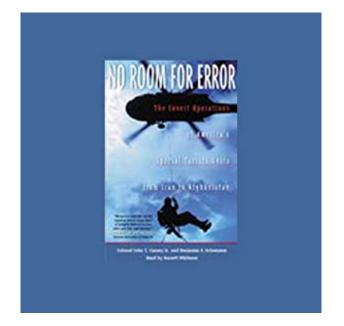


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Synopsis

When the U.S. Air Force decided to create an elite "special tactics" team in the late 1970s to work with special-operations forces, John T. Carney was the man they turned to. Since then Carney and the U.S. Air Force Special Tactics units have circled the world on clandestine missions. They have combated terrorists and overthrown dangerous dictators. They have suffered eighteen times the casualty rate of America's conventional forces. But they have gotten the job done. Now, for the first time, Colonel Carney lifts the veil of secrecy and reveals what really goes on inside the special-operations forces that are at the forefront of contemporary warfare. --This text refers to an alternate Audible Audio Edition edition.

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The book is outstanding on several levels. As a chronicle of the evolution of the Air Force Combat Controller component of special forces it is an outstanding history of the creation and evolution of the Air Force special tactics units. As the story of a personal journey from wandering officer to a man with a mission it is a great story of achievement and sacrifice. Action around the globe. If the US military was involved Carney was probably there. Reads like an travel plan from PJ O'Rouke's Holidays in Hell. Desert One in Iran, Grenada, Achille Lauro, Panama, Desert Storm, Somalia, Haiti, Balkans, Afghanistan and back to Iraq. The book provides valuable historical insights along with an understanding of how the US special forces units operate. It also provides multiple examples of leadership, mostly good, in our military. It is not an accident that praise for the book comes from deputy commander of Delta , former chief of staff of the US Army, former commander US Special Forces Command, Seymour Hersh and Army Times. This is the real deal. The only blemish is that of production. The maps in the softcover are blurred and useless. Without that problem it is 7 StarsHighly recommended.

As a former medical officer in the Air Force, such units as Air Commandos and the like were never a part of my life, unless one became a patient. Even then it meant nothing to me. I loved this book since it gave me another aspect of what my brethren in the AF do for a living and just how brave these men are. We simply think of fighter pilots as being the elite of our corps, but there is so much more to it. I am looking forward to reading even more.

This is a great book to understand the history of Air Force Special Operations. It is a typical military read, but with an extra personal touch being that the author was involved in the story from Day 1. Anyone aspiring to become a member of any branch's special operations would benefit greatly from reading this book and learning about the mindset and culture of the community. Personally knowing multiple people involved in these stories, I can say the book is as accurate as one can make it and still remain readable for the general public. It is inspiring and eye-opening at the same time, as well a good explanation of how Special Operations has become what they are today.

It reads like a historic report. Political background and personal perspectives are not developed, which is fine; no bogging down in complex crap. But it's easily read and is a nice history lesson.

not a bad book

Good autobiography closely aligned with real world events. John Carney is a real hero not only for what he accomplished in the Air Force but perhaps more for his work with the Special Operations Warrior Foundation. A good quick read. I feel that I might contact him for a few inaccuracies that I noted while reading - none of which are very important in the grand scheme of military history.

Impartial, in-depth, eye opening, and heartening. I spent time in the Air Force as a combat rescue squadron helo crew chief. Having spent time in close with para-rescinded, knowing first hand the character of these special warriors. They deserve the kind of recognition this book helps bring. Yet they would never expect, much less ask for it.And because of this book, I will find time to donate to the Warrior Foundation that Col Carney represents.As always, my thanks for all that have served.

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