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In July 1966, Lieutenant James Joyce arrived at An Khe, headquarters of the First Air Cavalry Division in Vietnam. He quickly became an aircraft commander flying Huey “slicks” that carried ground troops in and out of battle in the Central Highlands. Joyce describes a typical combat assault:

“The mission briefings were usually accurate. If they said we’d be encountering heavy resistance then we did. This warning was good for us. It kept us sharp, on our toes, heads up. During the flying time from point A to the LZ the radio communication between slicks and gunships always started out curt and polite. Our formations were tight and professional; our senses were at their peak. But as we got closer to the LZ, and began hearing from the ground forces that we would be under heavy fire on the way into it, then the fear crept up. It started in the gut, and when that was filled it sweated the palms, beaded the forehead, and drenched the armpits. As reports came in of helicopters down and helicopters being waved off, the formations loosened and so did tongues. It was now every chopper for itself. Somehow get into that LZ, get the troops off (never a problem) and get the **** out of there.



Guys would start cursing and screaming advice to each other. When final approach arrived our door gunners would open up. On our flanks the gunships would be punching off rockets, chunking grenades and blazing away with their machine guns. The noise was absurd. The smell of gunpowder and sulphur was intense. And then you were there. Your turn. Find a spot. Get to it as fast as possible. Drop to a low hover. Troops out. Nose down. Grab airspeed. Grab altitude. Clear! Now climb! Climb! Climb! Made it! Safe! Fifteen hundred feet! Out of harm’s way again! Armpits and foreheads dried up. Stomach back to normal. Fifteen hundred feet. Nothing bad could happen to us now. The feeling experienced by the crew of a Huey helicopter, after successfully completing a combat assault into a hot LZ, was exhilaration!”

He sums up his experience: “Whenever I have been asked over the years what I did in Vietnam, I simply say that I flew helicopters with the First Cav. To those who know about the Vietnam War, that statement says it all.”

You can read his full experience, including an additional five months flying Huey gunships with the Ninth Infantry Division in the Mekong Delta, in his terrific memoir (and our current Kindle bestseller) *Pucker Factor 10*. In the pages that follow, you’ll find many more excellent works about aviation, and our complete catalog is available online at www.mcfarlandpub.com.

Happy reading!

Adam Phillips, assistant sales manager

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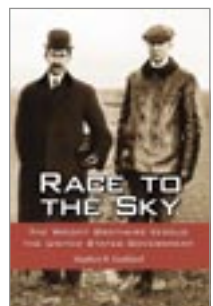
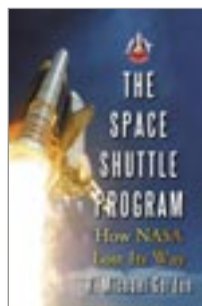
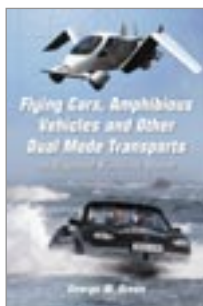
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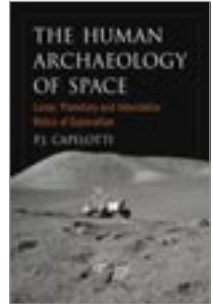
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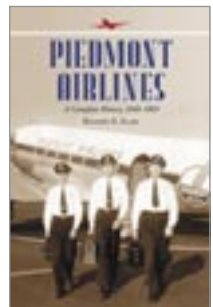
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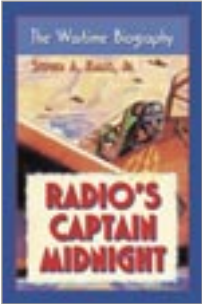
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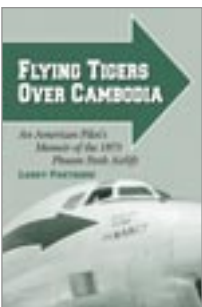
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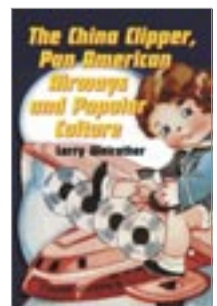
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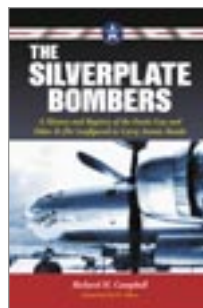
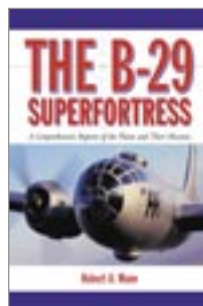
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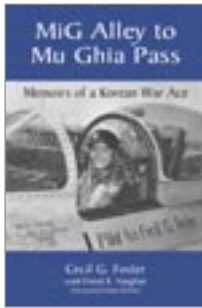
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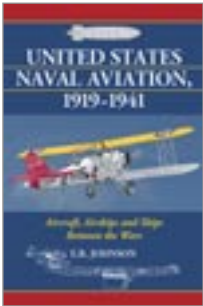
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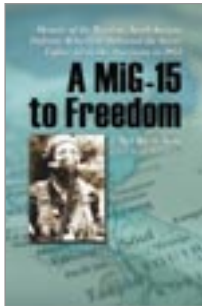
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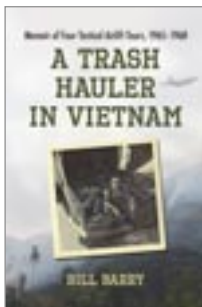
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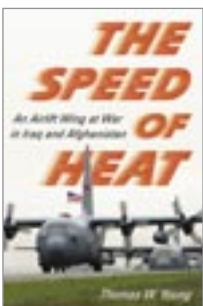
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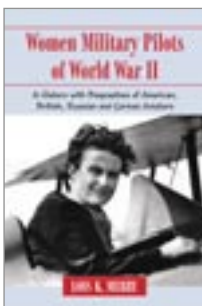
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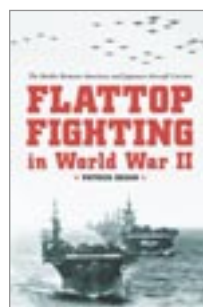
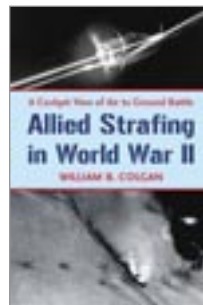
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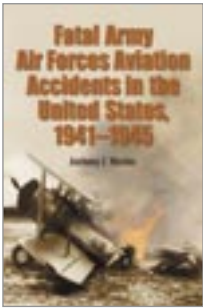
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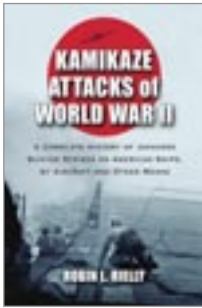
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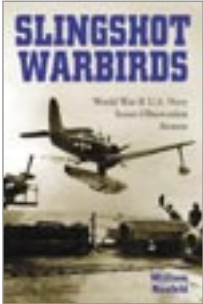


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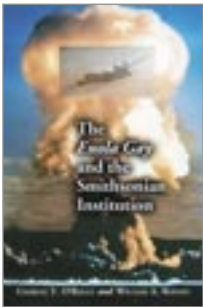


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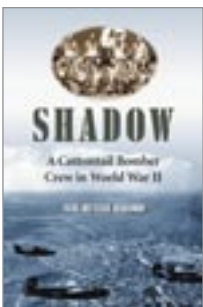


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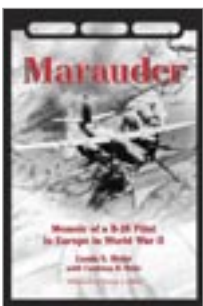


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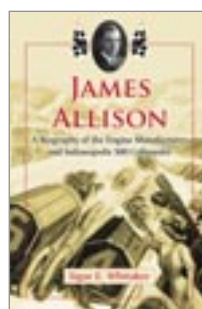
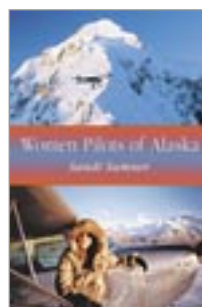
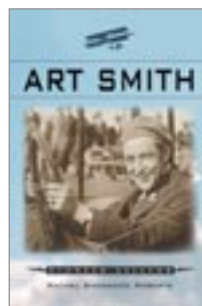
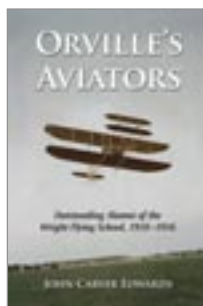
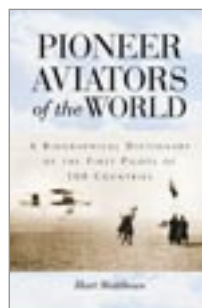
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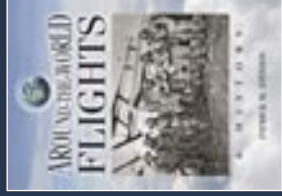
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