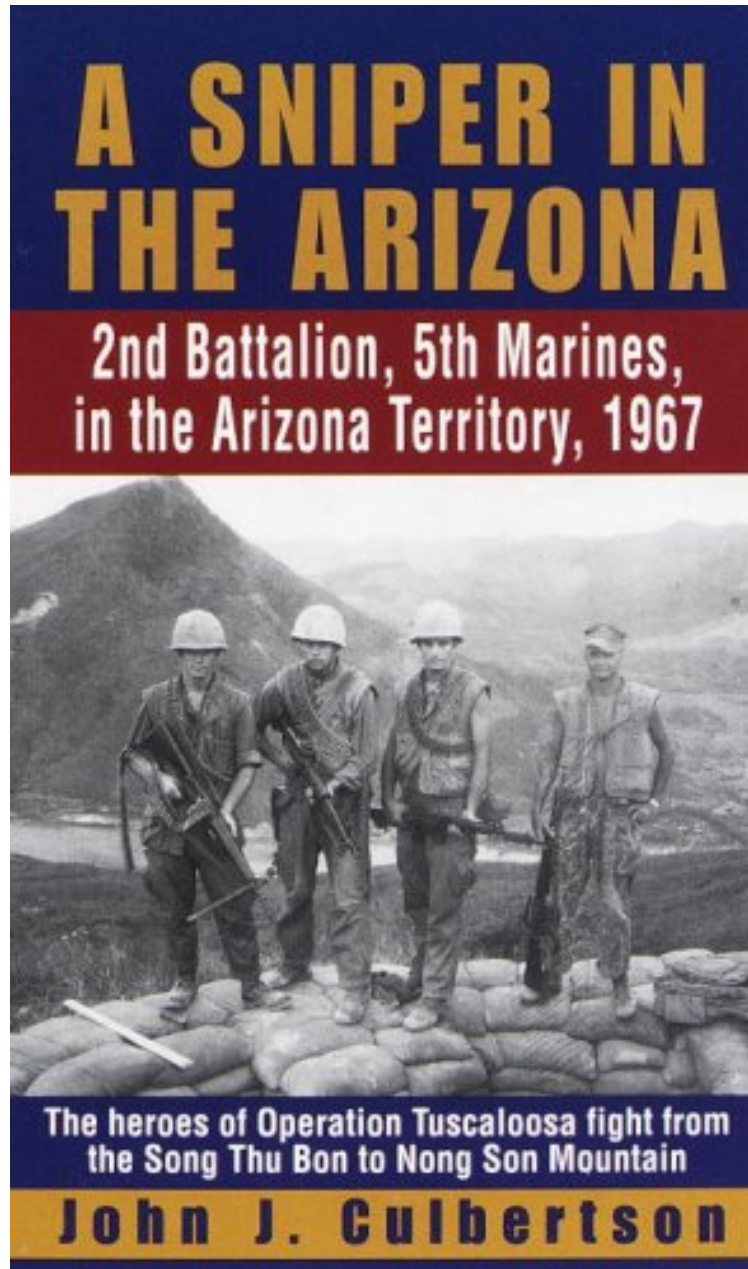


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. The story of a Marine rifleman in Vietnam in 1967.Von Ein KundeJohn J. Culbertson was a U.S. Marine rifleman in Vietnam in 1967. He served with Company H, 2d Battalion, 5th Marines in the An Hoa Basin. This area about 20 miles southwest of DaNang was called "The Arizona Territory," hence the title of the book. The narrative begins in the aftermath of Operation Tuscaloosa (which is detailed in Mr. Culbertson's companion volume by that name) and traces his experiences while defending Nong Son Mountain, attending Sniper School, and patrolling the 'bad bush' around An Hoa; he also pays tribute to Capt J.A. Graham who was awarded a posthumous Medal of Honor for Operation Union II. The book is filled with technical detail and tactical tips, including the sorry tale of the introduction of the M16 rifle which is told by a weapons expert whose life was threatened by that ill-fated decision. Unfortunately, the book's tone is like a clinical analysis rather than a compelling read. The major defects, however, were in the area of graphic arts. The lack of a large scale map of the An Hoa Basin is a significant drawback. Had I not served with the 5th Marines at An Hoa, I would have been bewildered trying to keep place names and relative locations straight. The photographs were poorly chosen and often did not relate to the text. Pictures or technical drawings of the weapons described would have helped the lay reader, as would a glossary of terms and abbreviations. I recommend the book to any one interested in Vietnam, anyone who served in that area, those currently in the military, or anyone who is concerned about the current crisis in Kosovo. It is good view of what war is like close up, at the grunt's eye view. [Anyone interested in a large scale map of the An Hoa Basin can contact me via E-mail.]0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Sniper Training: Vietnam, 1967.Von rematkin@csulb.eduJohn Culbertson continues his story of life in the Arizona Territory that began in his first book, Operation Tuscaloosa. In the sequel, A Sniper in the Arizona, Culbertson traces events following Operation Tuscaloosa that led him to attending Sniper School in DaNang and putting to use his training in the area of operation around An Hoa. The story is interesting, but alas, not as compelling as the author's first book. I missed the Glossary that the first book contained. And, although tribute is paid in the Appendix to CPT J.A. Graham, who was awarded a posthumous Medal of Honor, the man's contribution to the story was scant at best. All in all, however, A Sniper in the Arizona is worth reading as an informative sequel about events in I Corps in 1967. Of particular note are the author's comments about the introduction of the M-16. These reflect the "horror stories" we heard about the weapon, but were fortunate enough not to experience 2 years later when I was issued an M-16A1 model. Thanks John, for another fine read!0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. An Accurate Portrayal of Life in VietnamVon Ein KundeI am surprised at the reaction of some readers to their expectations of a book with the word Sniper" in the title! They are overlooking the true picture of day to day life in Vietnam. A SNIPER IN THE ARIZONA reports true events in the Marine First Division Sniper School and exhibits detailed sniper tactics as well as marksmanship training and actual sniper school curriculae for over 95 pages. Anyone who thinks Vietnam Snipers operated alone in Vietnam and made fantastic shots at a mile distant needs to go to Hollywood, because that is the only place such ridiculous events ever happened. The battles and combat action in A SNIPER IN THE ARIZONA are documented in US Marine Corps history. Lt. Col. Ronald J. Brown USMC Ret. Marine History and Museums author highly recommends A SNIPER IN THE ARIZONA to Marine infantry going overseas, because of the tactical tips and combat accuracy of the book. Anyone who thinks this account is not spicy enough will never understand the true events of Marine combat in Vietnam.

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