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Living With Dragons: With The Korean Marines In Vietnam



Synopsis

Excerpt: "We lined up in front of tables arranged by MOS (Military Occupation Speciality). I stood in line at the field radio operator table and waited for my turn. I took my turn, and a Lance Corporal seated behind the table picked up one of scores of stamps and stamped my orders. I read my orders and the imprint said: "SU#1, 1st ANGLICO, FMF, WESTPAC" • OK, I knew FMF meant FLEET MARINE FORCE, and WESTPAC meant WESTERN PACIFIC (Vietnam), but I had never seen or heard of SU#1, 1st ANGLICO. I asked the Lance Corporal what ANGLICO was. He looked at my orders and said he had no idea. He tapped the Corporal working beside him, showed him my orders, and asked him where I was going. The Corporal shook his head and said he had never heard of it. The Lance Corporal gave me back my orders, looked into my eyes and said, "You're going to hell, Private." That made me a bit anxious. Luckily, one of the guys I went through boot camp with, John Staunton, also had the same orders. So if I was going to hell, I wasn't going alone." I served 19 months with the Republic of Korea's 2nd Marine Brigade (BLUE DRAGON BRIGADE). With one other enlisted U.S. Marine, much of that time was at company level. We wore their uniform, ate their food and learned their customs and habits. We learned how to communicate with those we were assigned to serve. It is a rare day that I do not think of that time in my life. I decided to tell the story.

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Excellent book Scoot did well with his book. I was in the 1st ANGLICO subunit 1 unit to be attached to the ROK Marine Blue Dragons .We were deployed from Hawaii August 1966 as the first Air Naval

Gunfire Liaison Company. One of my fellow Marines from this unit also wrote a book "Lighting from the Sky Thunder from the Sea..We recently had a reunion with 6 of us from 1 st ANGLICO subunit 1 Vietnam 1966-1967.We rented a houseboat in Fort Lauderdale Florida. I t was great alot of fun sharing stories and seeing each other.Like Scott Leis we were all an important part of the Vietnam War supporting the ROK Marines. We were radio operators that were FORWARD observers (that meant we were out foward of the action) We controlled The air support and Naval support.We guided the planes and helicopters and Naval ships. Semper Fi!!

Excellent book ,well written.

Loved it. Very personal and Powerfull. Author showed respect for God, country and life in war. He found inspiration from people he fought with and against.

Down to earth and obviously written by someone who "walked the walk" and all the heroes that walked with him.Thank you Scott

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