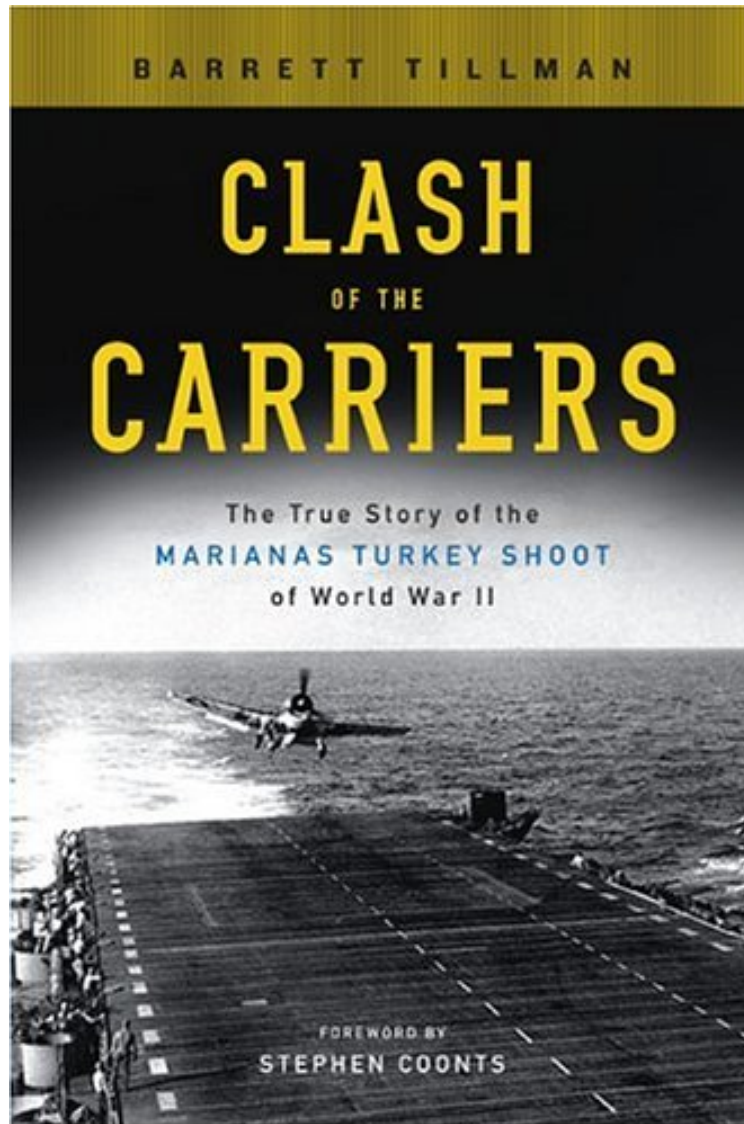


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By Gordon in Oregon I bought this book because my father was chief of the boat on the Cavalla, the submarine which sank one of the Japanese aircraft carriers during this battle. It was an amazing experience for me to read of this, because my dad never talked about those kind of details, nor much of his 28 years experience on subs and at sea. The book however assumed you were familiar with the Navy lexicon as it pertains to primarily aircraft carriers, the various types of planes involved, and the like. Because of this, it was a bit difficult to follow, or picture exactly what type of planes were involved in particular fights. The same was true of equivalent Japanese type planes. I also felt the author was, what's the word - snobbish? because he would state the names of people involved, but would separate them as to which Annapolis class he graduated from, or what college he went to, and what year he graduated. Yes, there was a bit of "ring-knocking" going on. On the other hand, the author had definite opinions on who did good (command-wise) and who was left wanting. That I feel is a good thing. History seems to be going back over this period and reversing views on some of the headliners of the era. This from several different WWII books I have read. Altogether an informative book, well researched, and worth reading. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Good information about what happened in that battle in World ...

By st ruell Good information about what happened in that battle in World War 2 and the writer had a hard task to condense and explain and synthesize the action into a coherent whole that made the action understandable. Interesting over all but could have been written better. I thought there was way too much time to naming every pilot with their rank and hometown, There were thousands of other sailors involved that get no mention. Did it really matter what their ranks were? And then the action was confused and not coherent in places because he was naming the pilots individually. And I thought the slang got in the way, using strange words for the hundreds of different planes shot down, each time trying to use a different way to say it.

In June, 1944, American and Japanese carrier fleets made their way through the Philippine Sea, both hoping to take control of the vital Marianas Islands. When they met, they embarked upon a naval engagement that escalated into the most spectacular aircraft carrier battle in history. Here is the true account of the battle, told from both sides-by those who were there. Drawing upon numerous interviews as well as official sources, *Clash of the Carriers* is an unforgettable testimonial to the bravery of those who fought and those who died in a battle that will never be forgotten.

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