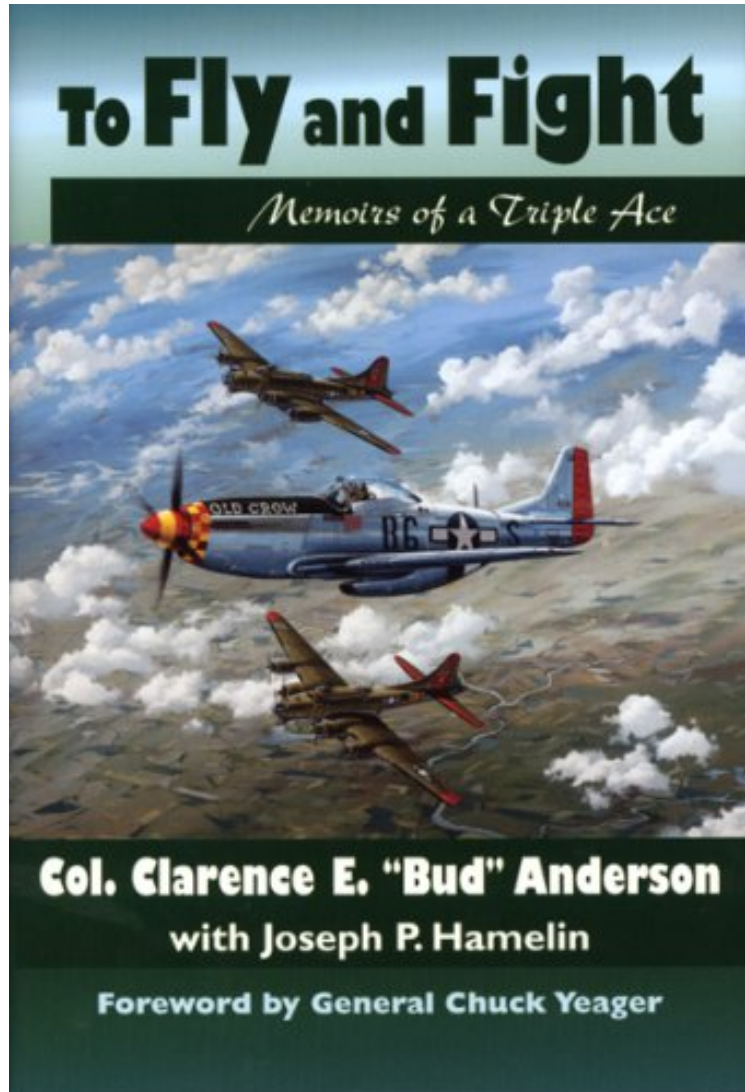


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**Clarence E. Anderson : To Fly and Fight: Memoirs of a Triple Ace** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised To Fly and Fight: Memoirs of a Triple Ace:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Bud Anderson, A Great Hero  
By History Major Bud Anderson has been a hero of mine since I was in my teens. His exploits in a P51 are legendary, his AF career one of the greatest. There are many great memoirs of WWII by amazing fighter pilots and I have been searching for as many as I can find, all to supplement my own knowledge of flying these wonderful aircraft. I just finished my fourth aviation novel, called "Charming Billy," <http://tinyurl.com/oh8t6nm> and will be using some of Coi. Anderson's experiences in my next one.

He mentioned flying regularly with William Overstreet, famous for flying under the Eiffel Tower during an air battle. He was chasing an Me-109 at the time and was not about to allow it to escape by flying through that building. That was the kind of pilot Anderson flew with; men so aggressive and brave that it is hard to comprehend. Anyway, this book of Anderson's recalls the incredible bravery and of these men and his own expertise as a test pilot. I enjoyed every second of it. Five stars.4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. A well written page turner. This guy is a \*somebody\*.By LegacyDriverAlthough this book has a different feel to it than the book to which it will invariably be compared, namely Chuck Yeager's "YEAGER" autobiography, I must say it stands on its own feet without any apologies. In this book, Anderson details a life full of accomplishments and adventure. The chapters that focus on his World War II exploits are clearly the most interesting, although his post-war adventures (including missions in Vietnam) were entertaining in their own right. My only complaint is that he did not write more about this period of his life. It seemed that Yeager's book was a bit more balanced in that he covered his career from beginning to end with an even hand. Anderson (or his publisher) chose not to do so, and that is unfortunate, for I am sure there is much to be learned from this period of his remarkable life. Despite these minor shortcomings, this one is definitely worth a look. The beginning may be slow to some, but keep going. It is well worth it.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Terrific book for WWII aviation enthusiastsBy Edwin J. Nellis, Jr.This is a well written account of a WWII fighter pilot's experiences during the air war in Europe. The air battle scenes are described in terms even a non flier could visualize in one's mind's eye. The P-51 Mustang was the premier US Army air Force air superiority fighter, and was flown in combat over Germany in support of daylight bombing missions by the 8th Air Force. The Mustangs were the sharp point of the spear against the Luftwaffe, and Bud Anderson was a triple ace. He was gifted with extraordinary eye sight, and was a skillful marksman in air-to-air combat. This book is a must for anyone who thinks WWII history is important, particularly the air wars. Anderson also extended his flying career to flying jets in combat in Viet Nam. Very interesting individual, who is well described in this book.

Touching, thoughtful, and dead honest, To Fly and Fight is the story of a boy who grew up living his dream. During World War II Anderson flew with Chuck Yeager in the famed 357th Squadron where he became a triple ace by shooting out of the sky fifteen enemy planes. Following World War II, Anderson became a test pilot and later commanded jet fighter squadrons in South Korea and Okinawa. Then, in 1970, at an age when most pilots have long-since retired, Anderson flew combat strikes over Vietnam.

From Publishers WeeklyAnderson flew P-51 Mustangs in the WW II European theater and shot down 17 German planes. Writing with freelancer Hamelin, he here relates his spectacular aerial confrontations with Messerschmitts and Focke-Wulfs, defines (in understandable technical detail) what "combat flying skill" really means and conveys the unique mindset a fighter pilot needs in order to survive. Anderson, who became an Air Force test pilot during the postwar "golden age of flight testing," recalls hair-raising incidents highlighting the challenge and risk of such work. After an onerous tour of desk-duty in Washington ("A colonel at the Pentagon is nothing but a glorified clerk"), he became one of the few fighter pilots to serve in combat both in WW II and Vietnam. This is an entertaining and instructive book for hardcore air combat buffs, who will find particularly interesting Anderson's comparisons between flying prop-driven Mustangs and high-performance jets in enemy skies. Photos. Copyright 1990 Reed Business Information, Inc.From Library JournalAnderson, a California farm boy who loved hot cars and airplanes, earned his wings in the Army Air Corps in September 1942 and flew P-39s. Sent to Europe in 1944, his squadron traded in their P-39s for P-51 Mustangs. Anderson flew 116 missions with the Mustang and shot down 17 enemy planes without receiving a single hit to his own plane. He also served in the Korean War and Vietnam, and as a test pilot. In the course of his 30-year career in the Air Force he was decorated 25 times. Hamelin, a sportswriter, does a highly credible job of telling Anderson's story. He skillfully interweaves anecdotes by men who flew with Anderson, such as fellow World War II section leader Chuck Yeager. Anderson's accounts of some of the projects he flew as a test pilot, as well as his candid remarks on the early space and high altitude programs give the reader an insider's view. An exceptional account of an exceptional man. Highly recommended. Photos not seen.- George F. Scheck, Naval Underwater System Ctr. Lib., Newport, R.I.Copyright 1990 Reed Business Information, Inc. "Bud Anderson takes the reader from the first to the last, from the best to the worst, and everywhere in between of a fighter pilot's life and story." --