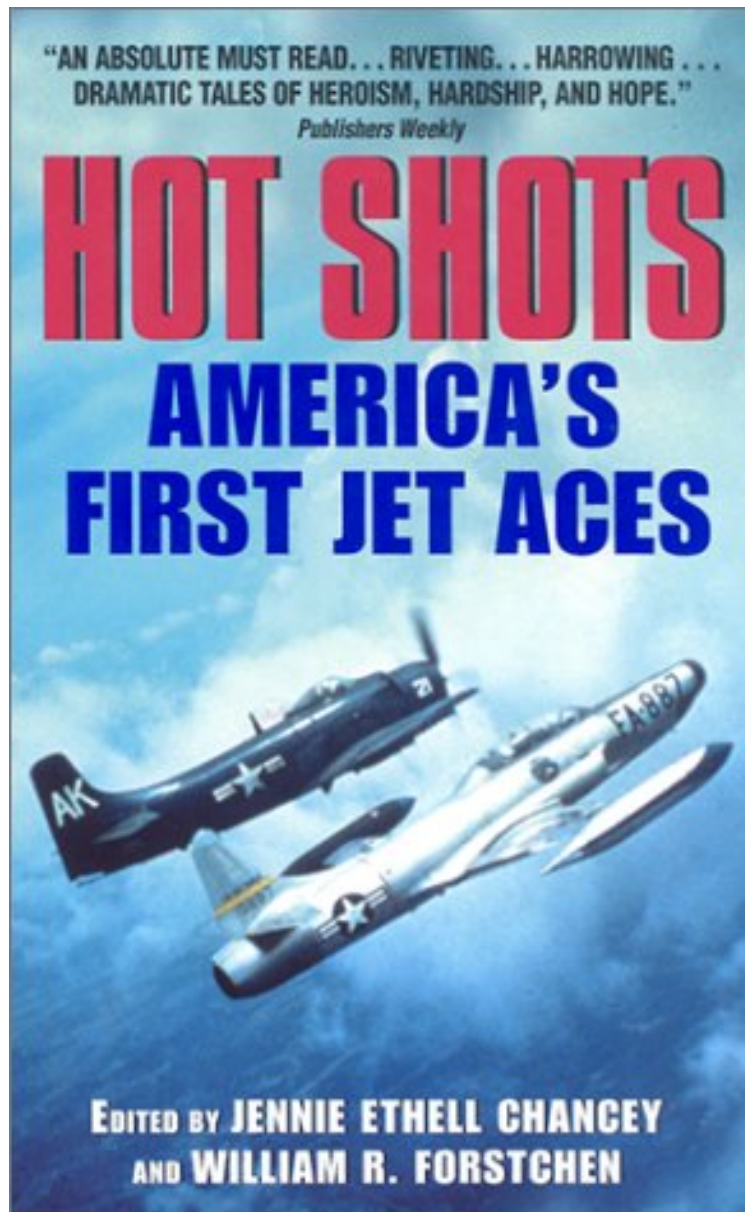


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3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Great stories concise overview of air war conflict By K. Kuberek If you are interested in air combat, this book is definitely worth reading. It's a very enjoyable read. Most of the book

consists of firsthand accounts by US fighter fighter-bomber pilots. Mostly F-51 ground attack F-86 MiG alley encounters, with a few other types situations included. Interspersed among the flying stories is a great overview of the air war in Korea, and a concise summary of the overall conflict. This helps place the flying stories in the context of the time, and is very well done. Also covers the experiences of POW's. Gives a good feel for how unprepared the US was at the beginning of the conflict. Covers the retreat from the initial North Korean attack, the defense of the Pusan perimeter, the landings at Inchon and subsequent advance into North Korea, the Chinese entry into the war and retreat back to South Korea, then the stabilization around the 38th parallel. Gives a good account of efforts to develop tactics for air warfare in the jet age. Also covers the "honchos" - Russian Warsaw Pact pilots flying the MiG 15 against the "hot shots" in their Sabres. Finally, covers the POW experience of fliers captured and interned in China for 2 years after the war ended. A number of these men (less than 35, but the exact number is not given) never came back, and were never accounted for. Mentions the similar circumstances of hundreds of Vietnam War aviators. Many believed to have ended up in China Russia, but there is no firm accounting of their fate. As the authors said in the last line of the book, "May their sacrifice not be in vain." 4 of 7 people found the following review helpful. lacks accuracy, poorly written

By mike esposito I was excited when I saw this title on the shelf. However, after I read the first few pages. I was disappointed. Inaccuracies abound, like when the author states the kill ratio of migs to f-86s as 7 to 1. Postwar records from the former Soviet Union show that the ratio was more like 3 to 1. Inaccuracies in the photographs state f-84s as f-94s ect. However, the work would still be acceptable if not for the poor writing style of the author. When recounting the first hand stories of aces, I found I had to read them three times to get any clear picture of what is going on. Perhaps she was using the words of the probably 70+ year olds which could add to the problem. If you like first hand muddled accounts of the air war in korea, this book is for you, but if you want more detailed accounts of tactics and exploits ect. you will need to look elsewhere.

Fifty Years Ago, The Skies Blazed Above Korea Between 1950 and 1953, America was locked in a fearsome struggle to decide the fate of a relatively small peninsula jutting into the Sea of Japan. More than fifty thousand brave U.S. fighting men gave their lives in this bloody conflict that has all but faded from public memory, a "forgotten war" that ushered in a modern age of jet-to-jet combat. Editors Chaney and Forstchen have gathered together the spellbinding account of America's Korean War aerial aces -- the "Hot Shots" who took to the Asian in their Mustangs, Sabres, and Shooting Stars to confront an overwhelmingly superior number of enemy aircraft. Through the vivid voices of real-life "top gun" heroes -- with their remarkable first-hand stories of courage, duty, and awesome ability -- an all important chapter in our nation's military history is retrieved from the shadows, a return to a time of exhilaration, terror, and glory when, more than before, control of the skies helped determined victory or defeat on the ground.