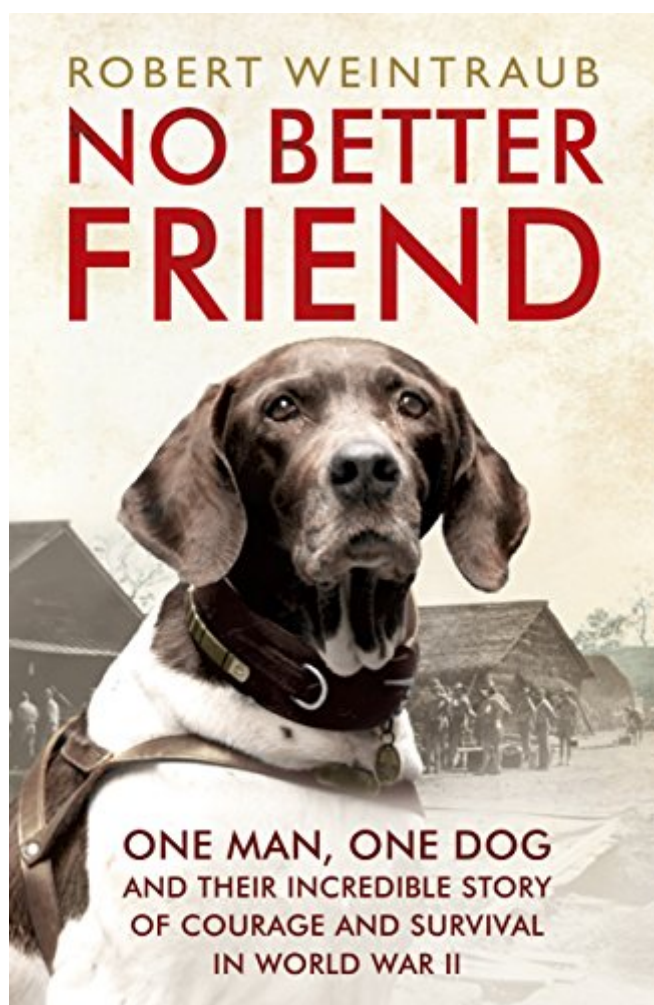


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No Better Friend: One Man, One Dog, And Their Incredible Story Of Courage And Survival In World War II



Synopsis

An extraordinary tale of the remarkable bond between one man and his dog during the Second World War. The two friends huddled close together, each of them the other's saving grace in a world gone to hell . . . There was nothing terribly unusual about POWs suffering horribly at the hands of their Japanese captors. All across the Pacific theatre, Allied captives were experiencing similar punishment. But there was one thing unusual about this particular duo of prisoners. One of them was a dog. Flight technician Frank Williams and Judy, a purebred pointer, met in the most unlikely of places: a World War II internment camp. Judy was a fiercely loyal dog, with a keen sense for who was friend and who was foe, and the pair's relationship deepened throughout their captivity. When the prisoners suffered beatings, Judy would repeatedly risk her life to intervene. She survived bombings and other near-death experiences and became a beacon not only for Frank but for all the men, who saw in her survival a flicker of hope for their own. Using a wealth of new material including interviews with those who knew Frank and Judy, letters and firsthand accounts, Robert Weintraub expertly weaves a narrative of an unbreakable bond forged in the worst circumstances. Judy's devotion to the men she was interned with, including a host of characters from all around the world, from Australia to the UK, was so powerful that reports indicate she might have been the only dog spared in these camps - and their care for her helped keep them alive. At one point, deep in despair and starvation, Frank contemplated killing himself and the dog to prevent either from watching the other die. But both were rescued, and Judy spent the rest of her life with Frank. She became the war's only official canine POW, and after she died at the age of fourteen, Frank couldn't bring himself to ever have another dog. Their story of friendship and survival is one of the great sagas of World War II.

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Thank you Robert Weintraub. Not only did you illuminate history with your meticulous research and bring this saga to life with your compelling narrative, but you also gave me hope that we can become the person our dog thinks we are. The compassion and kindness shown by these POWs to their weaker comrades and those in harms way and the courage and fortitude displayed not only by Judy but by the countless others in this book make me certain that the US will overcome these dark dystopian days. An ennobling tale and a damn fine read. Bravo.

This reads like a thriller of the first order. Robert Weintraub takes the unsuspecting reader on a journey to beat most. Wonderful sequence, easy to read and the reader becomes captivated with the events and circumstances. I could NOT stop reading this wonderful true story of devotion and fortitude. Think I'm being mushy? Read it and experience how this story stays with you for a very long time. Don't hesitate click the "must have" button.

I bought this for my husband. It's about his two favorite things, the military and a pointer. It's an amazing story. He loves it.

If I could give this book 10 stars I would. I have never been so touched by a story and recommend it to everyone.

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