



## LBJ s Hired Gun (Hardback)

By John J. Gebhart

Casemate Books, United States, 2008. Hardback. Book Condition: New. 231 x 155 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. Many Vietnam memoirs have appeared in recent years, but not a single one has the humour, pathos, poignancy, and often sheer hilarity of John J. Gebhart s riveting LBJ S Hired Gun. As Gebhart tells it, he was a smart-mouthed college boy who joined the Marines to see the world and dust a few black pajamas for Uncle Sam. Two gruelling tours of duty later (1965-1967) he returned home as a sergeant after surviving 240 combat missions (12 air medals) and being shot down twice. On his chest was the Navy Commendation Award (with the combat V). LBJ s Hired Gun launches with Gebhart s grim recollection of the intense old-school brutality that was Marine Corps training on Parris Island before transitioning to his difficult journey for Southeast Asia aboard a troop transport with 2,000 other nameless grunts. These hardships offered but a glimpse of the suffering he and his comrades were about to endure. His candid account of life and death in Vietnam is written with a lively, infectious flair. But be forewarned: no attempt has been made to sanitize...



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