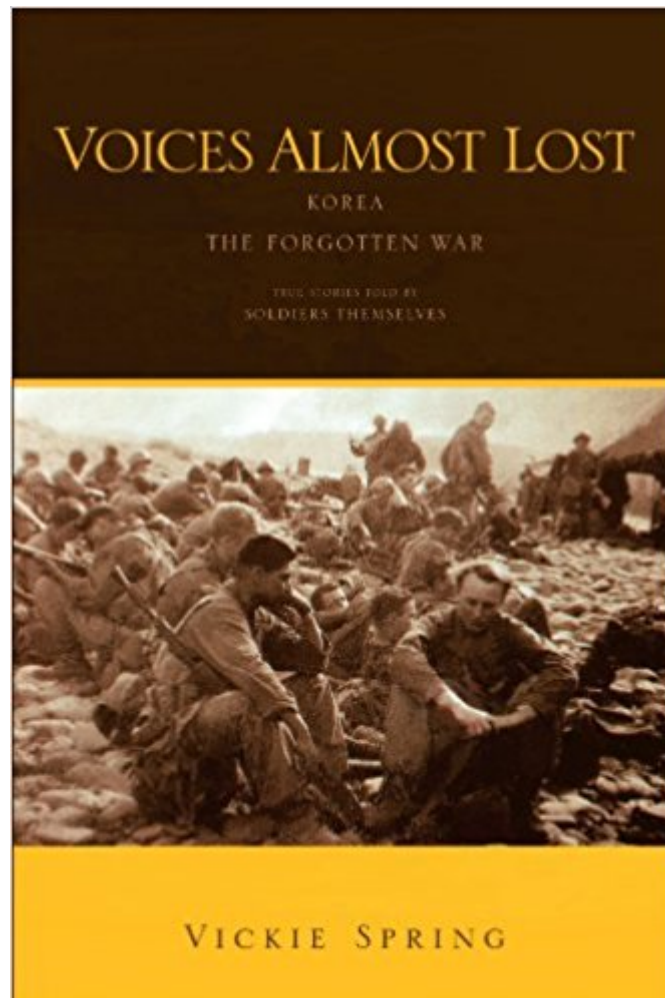




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Synopsis

When Vickie Spring promised her dad who had served in both WWII and the Korean War, that she would one day write his story and the others with whom he served, she never imagined the challenges that lay ahead of her. After months of searching, thirteen men were found that had fought in Korea alongside her dad. Vickie has compiled these brave and noble men's personal accounts of their experiences during the Korean War. Their stories are heartfelt and compelling. Each story will be given to the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C. for generations to experience each man's laughter, pain, and suffering. Here are their stories...

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Customer Reviews

Korean War veterans were perhaps the last of the stoics, those who were indoctrinated with the mantra that "real men" don't complain, don't cry, don't ask for help. Hollywood's take on their experience - *The Manchurian Candidate* - was banned and their war wasn't even called a war, but a "police action." Second guessed by politicians, the pawns of egotists, soldiers suffered the consequences of multiple bungles. No wonder the veterans Vickie Spring interviewed clearly felt relief, pride, anger, and a surge of other emotions. I am sure this book must have been carefully crafted, yet it must have been done with a light, respectful touch. Thank you, Vickie.

As usual these men were finally given a chance to be heard and did not furnish enough details to satisfy me. My husband was very stoic and would not talk about his time in Korea. He did not want to revisit his memories. I bought the book to get the details from others who had been there. They

also glossed over their fear and apprehension. i learned a lot but not enough on an emotional level for me.--but I am a nosy person.

It is one thing to read about the Korean War but it is quite another when Combat Veterans relate their personal experiences while fighting this horribly brutal and mostly "Forgotton War." Vickie Spring has somehow managed to bring their stories to light after almost 60 years. Some enlisted seeking "adventure" while others, to escape poverty or dead-end jobs only to find themselves thrust head-first into an all-out War in a far-away, lonely, and all-to-often deadly place. The promised short fight turned into three long years of sub-zero winters and blazing-hot summers. Still using obsolete weapons and equipment from WW II, they froze and died in places like the Chosin Reservoir, Inchon, and Koto-Ri. The lucky few came home to a world who neither welcomed them back nor even knew where they were. This collection of sometimes funny, sometimes tragic, but always riveting stories told in the first person to Vickie Spring by the actual survivors of the War is one of the best. In fact, this book would never had been written if not for one of those beleaguered GI's: her own Father. Read it at your first oppritunity. I guarantee a sleepless night without the need for coffee. Ask me how I know. Thank you very much, Vickie.

I purchased this book for two reason: First, Vickie is a dear friend, and second, the proceeds go to the veterans. But WOW! This was way more than I was bargaining for! I'm so glad I got to read the stories of the people who fought in Korea. My Uncle was a veteran of Korea, and all my family would share was that he came back different. He passed away before I ever got to hear even a shred of what changed him. Now I know! Thank you Vickie for writing this engaging book! It was a work that brought forth a gambit of emotions, but I came away moved, changed, and informed all of which no dollar amount could be placed. We should all make such great commitments and follow through as you have here. I am happy to have purchased the hardcover copy to include in my library!

I am so Thankful she held up her promise to her father, in doing this she has made something for us to not only remember them by, but to pass down threw the family. I have only gotton a change to read a small part of this book. but can't wait to read more. to know what they went threw and understand the stuff my grandfather has talked about all these years. I owe her a big Thank you for all her hard efforts in writing this book. I only wish my Father Ken Krul Jr. was still alive to thank her as well. but I can't wait for my son to get old enough to be able to learn about not only a war. but his

Great Grandfather and the other proud soldiers who served in this war for us all!

I am so very proud of my daughter for all her hard work in collecting all the stories from these veterans. They are so interesting, heroic and some so sad but true, this is what they went thru. I do remember her promising her father my (Husband) Wesley (Bud) Fulton that she was going to write a book about him and his buddies he was with in Korea. This book is about their life before going to war and just a few of the hardships they endured while in Korea. I really enjoyed reading it even though I sat in on a lot of the interviews she did with the men. You will enjoy. Betty Fulton Mother of Vickie and wife of Wesley Fulton

This book tells of the Korean War from the perspective of the soldiers who fought there. You may have heard of the Pusan Perimeter, the Inchon Landing, and the Chosin Reservoir, but you probably haven't heard what those & other battles were like for the soldiers who actually fought them, to include the day-to-day accounts and the personal stuff. What did they see? How close was death? What did they have to do to stay alive? In this, her first book, Vickie Spring brings these stories to life-- life as lived by teenagers & young men in their 20s when they went to war.

This book is a labor of love. It made me cry, smile through my tears, and wonder why this war was never recognized as a war. Ms. Spring has done a wonderful service to these brave men, and to her father's memory. You would never know it was her first attempt at such an undertaking! The pictures themselves tell a visual story. Good work! Rosemary Calabretta, co-author of Three Brown-eyed Girls

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