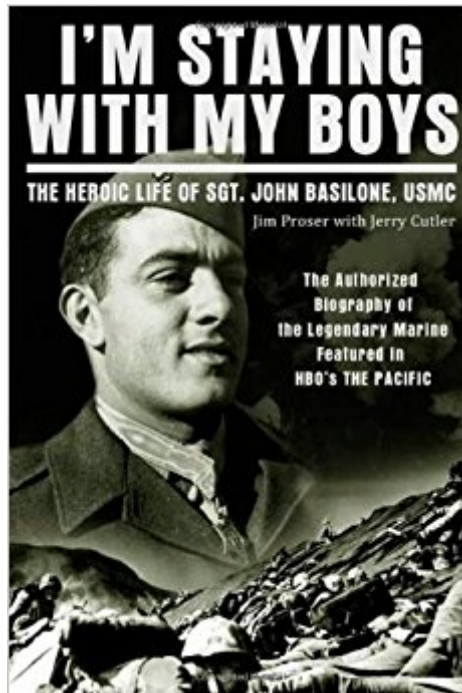




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I'm Staying With My Boys: The Heroic Life Of Sgt. John Basilone, USMC



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I'm Staying with My Boys is a firsthand look inside the life of one of the greatest heroes of the Greatest Generation. Sgt. John Basilone held off 3,000 Japanese troops at Guadalcanal after his 15-member unit was reduced to three men. At Iwo Jima he single-handedly destroyed an enemy blockhouse, allowing his unit to capture an airfield. Minutes later he was killed by an enemy artillery round. He was the only Marine in World War II to have received the Medal of Honor, the Navy Cross, and a Purple Heart and is arguably the most famous Marine of all time. I'm Staying with My Boys is the only family-authorized biography of Basilone, and it features photographs never before published. Distinctive among military biographies, the story is told in first person, allowing readers to experience his transformation, forged in the horrors of battle, from aimless youth to war hero known as "Manila John".

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brother

Jim Proser is a writer and film producer. He lives in California. Jerry Cutter is the nephew of Sgt. John Basilone. His current projects are the documentary and feature film versions of his uncle's story. He lives in Hilton Head, South Carolina.

Great read for any past, present, or future Marines. It's also on the CMC Reading List.

Very exciting and readable. But I am always curious how accurate a book is when it is written in detail from the first person perspective by someone dead for sixty years.

great story of a great american who gave his all

Great book and easy reading. Wish America had more people like Sgt. John Basilone.

Well thought out and written.

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There is always room for improvement.

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