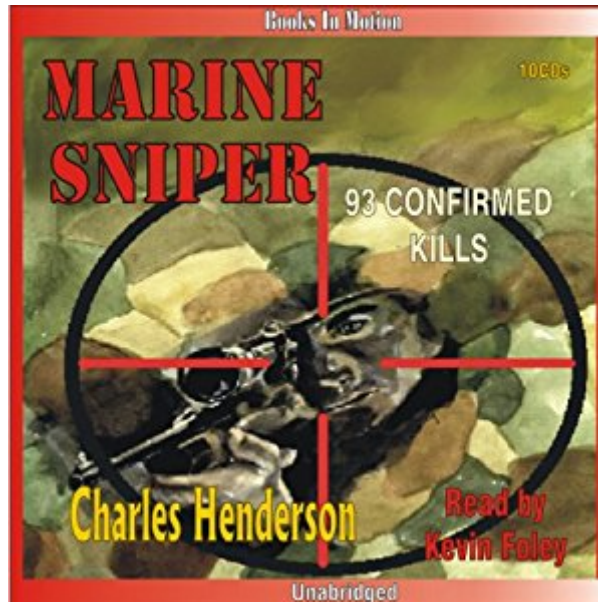




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# Marine Sniper: 93 Confirmed Kills



## Synopsis

The explosive true story of Sergeant Carlos Hathcock, a legendary Marine sniper in the Vietnam War. There have been many Marines. There have been many marksmen. But there has only been one Sergeant Carlos Hathcock. He stalked the Viet Cong behind enemy lines "on their own ground." And each time, he emerged from the jungle having done his duty. His record is one of the finest in military history, with ninety-three confirmed kills. This is the story of a simple man who endured incredible dangers and hardships for his country and his Corps. These are the missions that have made Carlos Hathcock a legend in the brotherhood of Marines. They are exciting, powerful, chilling "and all true. INCLUDES PHOTOGRAPHS --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

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## Customer Reviews

What a fantastic book about Carlos Hathcock III. If you want to get an idea of what a sniper's life was like in Vietnam, you definitely need to read this book. *Marine Sniper: 93 Confirmed Kills* was skillfully written by Charles Henderson. From the author's description of the kills you can actually place yourself right there alongside the sniper, experiencing every emotion that the sniper felt. He had a wonderful wife who loved him and tolerated his love for the Corp. You will be able to feel the pain and anguish Carlos felt when he tried to adjust to civilian life. Then he reenlisted and went back to Nam. I'm not going to spoil any more of the story. I'm a former Marine and after reading this book I wondered why He was never recommended for the Medal of Honor. His heroics were unparalleled. His life was ended by MS. How sad it was.

Before the American Sniper Chris Kyle there was another deadly sniper. His name was Carlos Hathcock. He was a Marine sniper during the Vietnam War. He was deadly as well as daring. His enemies, the Vietnamese nicknamed him Long Tra'ng or white feather. He was one of the first snipers to use the 50 caliber as a sniper weapon. He was from the state of Arkansas. He first came into prominence by winning the Wimbledon Cup of shooting. At an event held August 25, 1965 at Camp Perry, Ohio he was the winning shooter. He promptly joined the Marine Corps and became a sniper. This began a series of fantastic shooting events that literally established him as a legend. His first shooting success was at Elephant Valley. Hathcock and another sniper pinned 100 Viet Cong soldiers down for 5 days. This saved the lives of many American soldiers. There was another evil force that Hathcock also dealt with. This was a Vietnamese female officer who was known as the Apache. This was one of the most sadistic and vicious individuals that America had to deal with in the Vietnamese War. She had skinned one American soldier alive. Another had a basket tied on his head and had a rat sewed up in the basket. The Apache also castrated an American soldier who bled to death. Hathcock shot her dead center and killed her. Her days of torturing American soldiers were ended. On another project called Rio Blanco Hathcock was given the assignment of killing a master interrogator. He was a Frenchman named Jacques. Hathcock intercepted him on the way to interrogate two American airmen. There was also a talented Vietnamese sniper who was having incredible luck killing Americans. Hathcock finally caught up with him and killed him. Hathcock was given an assignment to kill a Vietnamese general. This general was well guarded and nearly impossible to reach. Through shrewd planning Hathcock finally killed him. Hathcock became such a terror that the Viet Cong finally put a bounty on his head of \$10,000. Hathcock upon retirement had 93 kills. That record was not surpassed until Chris Kyle. He finally got out of the field of combat after being stricken with multiple sclerosis. This was an outstanding book about an outstanding Marine. Be sure to read this book.

If you are a Marine or any serviceman that served in the bush in RVN you have to read this book. Carlos Hathcock had an enormous amount of courage and without a doubt was among the greatest Marine ever. I loved the part later in the book when Hathcock was struggling with his health and his Marine retirement that was not going to provide him with what he needed to be able to get the medical care he desperately needed. My old battalion commander, Lt/ Col. Al Gray, who at this point was the Commandant of the USMC stepped in to "do what was right for his Marine in need" and made sure Carlos was treated as he should have been, and Carlos was able to live out the last

few years knowing his family was secure and he had excellent health care through his last years. I my book General Gray deserved 5 stars for relentlessly pursue the solution for Carlos until he got what would take care of "White Feather"!GW

First of all, I must say I read "American Sniper", an autobiography told by the late Chris Kyle; then I started searching for a book on Carlos Hathcock. This book is very good but it is not an autobiography, it is and reads exactly like it has been written and narrated by an external observer more. At times I have difficulties placing myself in Vietnam, in Sgt. Hathcocks skin, maybe I am asking too much from the narrator, but I have read war books that get me there, actually more in there than movies. That said, I can unregretfully give this book 5 stars because I sense great honesty in the way events are narrated, I feel no licenses were taken to make it read more fantastic, it has been recorded as plain and sometimes as crudw and gory as it can get out there. Carlos Hathcocks legacy as a sniper and as a Marine is brought to light brilliantly in this book and it should be a part of your library if you like American history and even if you don't.

The one thing I LOVED best about this book was the quality of writing. I felt like I was right there when Carlos Hathcock was stalking his prey, sighting his rifle and slowing his breathing, or even one of the best stories in the book was when he was dropped off to cover yards of territory sneaking up on a bad guy's hideout inch by inchÃ¢ÂÂmoving one muscle at a time so as to invisibly approach the house and wait until the enemy was in sight, which took days. He was such an accurate shooter and deadly sniper that there was a bounty put on his head. This was a difficult book to put down until the last page. It was awe inspiring to read about someone so humble. I recommend it.

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