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Photograph Captions

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1. The first photograph is the Phoenix Huey Nighthawk. It was a UH-1H committed to night time ready response. It was armed with a pedestal mounted 7.62mm mini-gun and Xenon searchlight. I described two night missions in my book. I flew it less than three weeks before it's crash. It was flown at night, even in instrument flight conditions. Sometimes instrument flight was made as low as 100 feet altitude, being monitored by Ground Controlled Approach Radar at Camp Evans. The crash is described in January, 1971. Captain Don Davis, copilot, took the photograph. You can obtain publishing rights from him for \$750 (per Gary Linderer). He is currently a helicopter instructor pilot and special agent with the F.B.I. His address is: Donald C. Davis, 828 Niagara Street, Carol Stream, IL 60188. The area code may have changed, but his phone is (312) 668-1533.
2. The rear cover photograph was taken in the Phoenix Officers Club at Camp Evans. The caption is at the end of the manuscript. Phoenix Crewchief Larry Frazier had saved it. He feels that it is a unit picture which no one owns. He can be reached at home at (970) 330-1522.
3. An author's photograph recommended for inside the back cover. The Author in a photograph posed with a .30 caliber anti-aircraft machine gun. It was captured by Chief Warrant Officer Saunders the day after Woodstock One-Three, (Warrant Officer One Tom Marshall) located and destroyed a bunker complex north of the Rockpile, below the Demilitarized Zone, February, 1971.
4. Photograph taken by C.W.2 Ken Mayberry of Phoenix Pilot C.W. 2 Dave Wolfe returning from Laos. They took heavy fire while the Special Forces team was climbing up. They flew some thirty miles back to Mai Loc before landing. Sometime in September, 1970. The Xe Pon River at the tri-border region was below them. Ken Mayberry now is wheelchair bound with M.S. You can reach him at (402) 736-4309. He also has a photo of Warrant Officer Tom Tinder killed in June, 1970, described in the book, as well as several aerial and ground shots of the Phoenix Nest and Camp Evans. His address is 345 Stockton, Bradshaw, NE 68319.
5. Flight School Class 70-3. Spanky's Gang at Fort Wolters, Texas, June, 1969.
6. Hummingbird Seven, Warrant Officer 1 Tom Marshall at 1st Brigade, 4th Infantry Division, An Khe, September, 1970. Newbie showing off his new toys, a brand new OH58-A Kiowa observation helicopter and his Carb-15 collapsing stock version of the M-16 rifle.
7. 122mm Russian made rockets used widely throughout South Vietnam. Note markings CCCP. Chinese communist 82mm mortar at lower right. Author's photograph.
8. Warrant Officer 1 Tom Marshall in a Phoenix Huey, December 1970. South China Sea in the background. Author's photograph.
9. Combat Command North pad at Quang Tri awaiting orders to take off on a hot extraction (rescue) of an eight man Special Forces Team.
10. Phoenix Hueys at altitude heading into Laos, December, 1970.

11. Phoenix Hueys stepping into a fight. Descending to extract an embattled Studies and Observation Group team in North Vietnam, northeast of the tri-border of North and South Vietnam and Laos. December, 1970.
12. One mile final for a hot extraction with Griffin Aerial Rocket Artillery Cobra diving and firing.
13. Sitting on the ground on a mountain ridge near southwestern border of North Vietnam.
14. A C.C.N. deer hunt in December, 1970. Somewhere southeast of Khe Sanh, southwest of Mai Loc. The aircraft commander was Captain David Nelson. Standing on left is Warrant Officer Ralph Moreira, who died with Nelson near Tchepone, Laos, in March, 1971. Warrant Officer Darryl Keith was in the center, facing Warrant Officer Tommy Doody, loading the deer.
15. Warrant Officer Tommy Doody at C.C.N. pad after December 1970 deer hunt. He was lost with Chief Warrant Officer 2 Paul Stewart in February, 1971 on the initial assault into Laos.
16. Woodstock OH-6A (Loach) Instructor pilot Captain Bill Gordy taking a break from action at Khe Sanh with his door gunner.
17. Woodstock One Three, Tom Marshall in a revetment at the 163rd Aviation Company, near 101st Airborne Division Headquarters, Camp Eagle, February, 1971.
18. An Air Force C-130 Hercules transport taking off from Khe Sanh, February, 1971. Taken by the Author while being refueled.
19. Damaged Hueys returning from Landing Zone Lolo in Laos. Two birds facing same direction landed without hydraulics. One had stuck tail rotor pedals. A Medevac followed them in, loading the wounded crewmen only seconds after touchdown.
20. The Silver Star Award ceremony held at Khe Sanh on February 22, 1971. The awards were for the action surrounding the evacuation of Specialist 4 Fujii from Ranger North and the subsequent evacuation of the two Phoenix crews from Ranger South, where the rescuers had been shot down. Left to right are Major Jim Lloyd, Phoenix Company Commander, Captain Dave Nelson, Phoenix First Platoon leader, Brigadier General Smith, back to camera, Nelson's Crewchief was blocked by General Smith, Specialist 5 Ronald Merek, door gunner Specialist 4 Ronald Starbuck, Captain John Bottman, Captain Don Davis, Warrant Officer 1 Butch Doan, Warrant Officer 1 Pat McKeaney. The crewmen to the right are Specialist 4 Brian Fitzgerald, Specialist 4 Clarence Davis, and Private First Class Mathew Regner. Official Army photograph provided by Don Davis.
21. At Snoopys Pad Officers Club, 163rd Aviation Company. C.W. 2 "Weasel" Saunders playing with the .30 caliber anti-aircraft machine gun he captured. The author's gunner killed its crew the day before and directed both air strikes and cobras onto the enemy complex. The NVA faded away and never returned to that position in the Razorback foothills, north of the Rockpile. Warrant Officer 1 Stephan Cobb at far right, W.O. 1 Fitzgerald next to Cobb.
22. Call sign "Shaped Charge", Lt. Colonel Rodolph inspecting Engineers operations at Firebase O'Reilly, April, 1971.
23. Distant view of Firebase Ripcord, April, 1971.
24. Warrant Officers Al Fischer (right) and Bill Singletary (left) at the Kingsmen Officer's club after surviving the action of March 20, 1971. Fischer's eyes tell the story.
25. View southeast of a one lane clay road from Camp Eagle to the south end of the A Shau Valley, under the clouds.

26. Firebase Hickory, a Special Forces Radio relay site which overlooked Khe Sanh to the south.
27. Air strikes in the vicinity of lost Phoenix pilots C.W.2 David Soyland and W.O. 1 Dale Pearce. The area was at the north end of the A Shau, near the Laotian border in May, 1971.
28. Woodstock One Three at China Beach.
29. Vietnam Helicopter Pilots Association reunion at Reno, Nevada. David Rayburn sitting at left. Former Phoenix pilots Mike Cataldo, Kris Hunt and Tom Marshall.
30. Tiger in the wild, near center of photograph.
31. The Huey shot to pieces on Ripcord, piloted by Warrant Officers Ken Mayberry and David Rayburn magically appeared at the Phoenix VHPA Reunion in 1992.
32. Phoenix pilots stare in amazement at the former Phoenix Huey. David Rayburn on left, Jack Glennon facing camera, with Dave Wolfe facing camera on right.
33. Interment of the single casket with remains of Captain David Nelson, Warrant Officer Ralph Moreira, Specialist 4 Joel Hatley and Specialist 4 Mike King, October 5, 1990.
34. Phoenix veterans with retired Lt. Col. Mike Sloniker. With less than two days notice, they assembled to honor the memories and families of a Phoenix crew, despite nineteen years having passed. Front row from left, Dean Grau's son, Ken Mayberry, Rick Scrugham, Don Davis, Tom Marshall, second row from left, Mike Sloniker, Tom Cullen, Jack Glenon, Chuck Doty and Don Davis. Dean Grau at the left rear.
35. The I Corps map was put together by Ken Mayberry with help from several others.
36. The Laotian Landing Zone map was published by the Vietnam Helicopter Pilot's Association. Retired Lt. Colonel Mike Sloniker (703) 690-5856 can give you details about rights, if any.
37. The black and white map of the Laotian Firebases and Landing Zones was given me by Mike Sloniker.
38. Joe Kline will work a deal with you for his aviation art in my manuscript, as long as he is publicized. I have given him a copy of the Phoenix Nighthawk remains, which I believe is the best cover photo. Joe could make it into a painting for you. He was a Kingsmen crewchief at the beginning of Lamson 719.
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