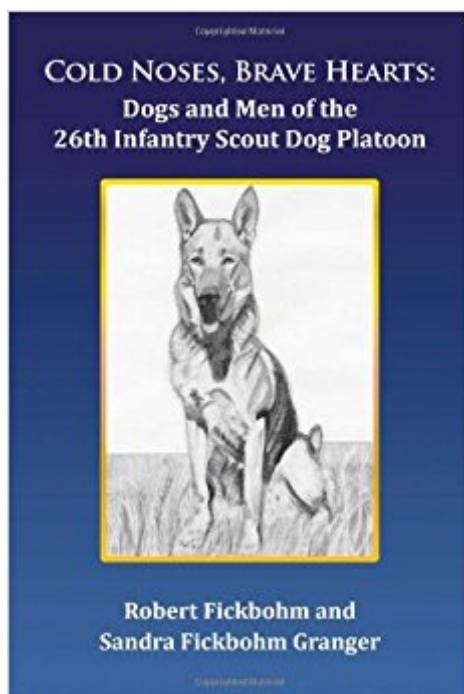


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# Cold Noses, Brave Hearts: Dogs And Men Of The 26th Infantry Scout Dog Platoon



## **Synopsis**

Robert and Sandra wrote this book to honor the men and dogs who served with the 26th Infantry Scout Dog Platoon during World War Two and Korea. Only about 180 men and maybe 90 dogs served in this small unit during this entire time period. The dogs did not get to rotate home, and served more than one master. These men and dogs were credited with saving numerous lives. Some of their stories are told in "Cold Noses, Brave Hearts: Dogs and Men of the 26th Infantry Scout Dog Platoon".

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## **Customer Reviews**

Robert Fickbohm served as a member of the 26th Infantry Scout Dog Platoon during the Korean War and earned the Combat Infantryman's Badge, Bronze Star and Good Conduct Medal. He credits his survival to the Lord and his scout dog, Hasso. He was married to his wife, Elaine, for 48 years until she passed away in 2003. They had four children: Ron, Rhonda, Sandra and Calvin. He is currently semi-retired but lives and works on his farm in South Dakota. Sandra Fickbohm Granger, Robert's daughter, helped write this book and enjoyed doing the research. She has been blessed with meeting so many wonderful veterans and their families. She is a junior high school teacher, wife, mother of three, and grandmother

I served in Afghanistan with the TEDD (Tactical Explosives Detection Dog) program. My K9's name was Fantom and he saved a good number of lives on my tour (including my own), not to mention the lives he saved on his other tours with other handlers. I have a fascination with the dogs and

handlers from WW2 to Vietnam because the majority of those men were Infantrymen as apposed to the Military Police who mainly work MWD's nowadays. It's a very cool feeling to see the pictures in this book of the 26th PSD men wearing Combat Infantry Badges with their dogs right there next to them knowing I have the same pictures of myself with the the same breed of war dog wearing the same combat badge in a similar war zone. Anyways, it's an outstanding book on the history of the platoon in WW2 and Korea. Lots of historical accounts and story's about the dogs and handlers directly saving lives. Great pictures too, although the kindle edition degrades the quality of most the photos. I'll end up buying a paper copy soon enough to pass down to my kids someday. I recommend this book to anyone fascinated by war dogs and their handlers. These teams saved countless lives.

very interesting book about dogs in the armed forces.

my father is written about in this book and love how the book was written on service dogs and the guys who fought in the various wars.

I think the book is interesting - and gives me a better understanding about how important dogs are to our soldiers. I read about this book in Reminisce magazine. The author's son graduated from high school with my son-in-law; they are friends, and EMTs in a rural area.

An excelent history of war dogs from the 2nd world war to the present. The stories related by the dog handlers and others show how important these dogs were to the war effort. All pet lovers should read this book.

What a great history of these great 4 legged warriors during WWII and Korea. Every MWD Handler and those that adopt these outstanding 4 legged warriors should take the time to read this and see the history how the K9's got there start...

it was just a very good book. If you like dogs read it. My mom read it and she loved it.

Amazing stories of amazing dogs and their handlers

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