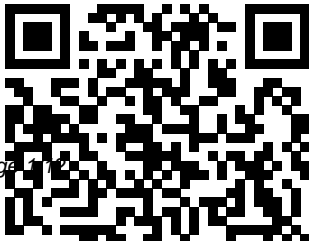


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# Tail Gunner

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**By Flight-Lieutenant R.C. Rivaz, D.F.C.**

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Seventeen-year-old Sylvie Stevens is the young tail gunner's only hope. He will never rest, never move on, unless she helps him complete his final mission. The two meet as Bish's spirit rises from the ashes of a burning photograph, demanding that Sylvie is his conduit. Terrified yet intrigued, Sylvie learns to use her till-then-unknown abilities to tap Bish's memories to see, and help heal, the deeper agony of his wartime past. There, intertwined with the horrors of war is also haunting heartbreak. As the two journey through time and place using objects from Bish's wartime treasures as transmitters, Sylvie discovers a deeper connection to Bish, one that unravels everything she ever thought she knew and held dear in her family. Her mission grows to include her ailing grandmother and the need to reconnect her with a love long lost--never mind that that love lives in another dimension. An adventure that spans the globe from Seattle to Italy, and time

from the 21st century to the 1940s, *The Tail Gunner* reveals the both the joy and pain of life, love, and death that comes to soon. Infused with both humor and heartache, this story is for anyone who believes in the extraordinary power of love.

Reflections of a WWII Tail Gunner Lulu Press, Inc  
A short history of Leonard Thompson's service as a B-17 Tail Gunner with the 401st Bombardment Group in Europe during World War II.

Tail Gunner's Tale Tail Gunner  
Twenty years after WWII, Pip emerges as a young adult in 1960's England. He shoulders the burden of being a love child of Buck Remke, an American tail gunner and Ilona Laszlo, a Hungarian night club singer at a west London cabaret. Despite a horrific childhood, he is filled with hope in a decade where

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anything is possible. Pip has completed schooling at Wadsworth, a school for orphaned boys, and in this new era of freedom, chooses to attend Oxford. After years of struggle to find his son, Buck, the tail gunner from Pennsylvania, moved to London and pursued a successful career managing dance studios. When health issues strike his elderly mother, Buck brings Pip to the States to meet his family. The trip to Buck's home town, in the coal mining area of Pennsylvania endows Pip with the legacy he has been missing. Upon return to London, Pip enters medical school. Later, as a full fledged physician, he faces

challenges and realizes that some of the same issues occurring in the Pennsylvania coal mining town will influence a decision for his future, *Legacy of War* The History Press

First published in 1943, this is the gripping story of one man's involvement in RAF Bomber Command's fledgling offensive between August 1940 and December 1941. Dick Rivaz was tail gunner to Leonard Cheshire, one of the most famous RAF pilots of the Second World War, flying in Whiteleys with 102 Squadron and latterly in Halifaxes with 35 Squadron. Unique among wartime memoirs, *Tail Gunner* was written within months of the events described, with all the immediacy of being at the very heart of the action. Rivaz graphically describes his

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*A Quest for Wings* Tempus Publishing, Limited  
Includes the Aerial Warfare In Europe During World War II illustrations pack with over 200 maps, plans, and photos.  
The follow-up to the

successful "Tail Gunner," Rivaz' firsthand account of the part he played in RAF Bomber Command's fledgling bomber offensive between August 1940 and December 1941. After his heroic exploits as a tail gunner he moved on to flight training in Canada. This book was published just prior to his untimely death on October 13th, 1945, having survived the Second World War. Tail Gunner Takes Over Pickle Partners Publishing  
An 18-year-old tail gunner on a B17 watches as flak bursts all around him. German fighter planes buzz by, machine guns blasting as

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wounded bombers turn and head for home and others in tailspins crash into the green fields below. His Flying Fortress heads back to base safely after surviving its bombing mission. The young tail gunner gives a sigh of relief, but deep down inside, he knows - IT ONLY TAKES ONE!

*98 Raids in World War II* The History Press

A tail gunner tries to keep his crew and his plane safe as Britain's Bomber Command Force carries out a bombing raid over Germany during World War II.

The Life and Times of B-17 Tail Gunner Ray Perry Casemate Publishers

A Merriam Press World War II Biography. Like millions of young men, Robert Holly went away to war and was lost, never to be found. This is the story of a young American airman whose life was tragically ended on June 20, 1944 when the B-24 Liberator of which he was a crew member, collided with another and crashed into the sea near Kiel, Germany. Staff Sgt. Holly was a tail gunner serving with the 389th Bomb Group, Eighth Air Force, based at Hethel, Norfolk, during World War II. Only the pilot and co-pilot survived the crash. All the remaining 8 crew members, including Robert, were killed in the crash, and are commemorated on the Wall of the Missing at the Cambridge American

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Cemetery, Madingley. This is the compelling story of his short life and tragic death as seen through his own eyes, and the eyes of others close to him, told through their letters, and detailed in numerous documents. This book is a memorial, not only to Holly, but to the millions of others who were killed and disappeared without a trace. 22 photos.

**Tail Gunner Takes Over: The Sequel to Tail Gunner**

Tree Press of Palo Alto

Several planes were smoking. I saw a plane from one of the groups take a direct hit, and go down. I saw no parachutes. I was trying to make myself

as small as possible. My steel helmet was pulled down over most of my face. I couldn't see much, but I didn't have to worry about the Germans in all this flak. I had a flak vest under my seat and my legs were pulled up and tight under my body. This was not the way I intended to spend my birthday.

-Wayne Whiting, Tail Gunner-

**The Leonard E. Thompson Story**

Texas A&M University Press

This story is about two congenial and affectionate sisters, with slightly different personalities and temperaments. Both are very intelligent and are able to excel in their chosen professions, until

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terrifying conditions affect their lives.

Tail Gunner M. Evans

This is no run-of-the-mill WWII book. It is the exciting story of a cook in the Army Air Corps. It tells of his unauthorized move from the kitchen to life as an aerial gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress in the unfriendly skies of Europe in 1943 to 1945. You will laugh cry and share in his life as he fights for his country while snatching moments of relief and love between missions. For those who were there it

will bring back memories. For others, it will tell what it was like for grandfathers, fathers and uncles.

**It Only Takes One** Airline Pub Limited

Includes the Aerial Warfare In Europe During World War II illustrations pack with over 200 maps, plans, and photos. Originally published in 1943, this is one man's first-hand account of the part he played in RAF Bomber Command's fledgling bomber offensive between August 1940 and December 1941. Richard Rivaz flew as tail gunner to Leonard Cheshire, one of the most

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famous RAF pilots of World War II. His modest but vivid narrative reveals what it was like to be part of a heavy bomber crew flying first Whitleys and then Halifaxes with No.s 102 and 35 squadrons.—Print Ed.

**Killed in Action: The Story of B-24 Tail Gunner Robert**

**Holly** Pickle Partners Publishing

Memoir of a tail gunner in World War II

A Tail Gunner's View of WWII

Createspace Independent Publishing Platform

Tail GunnerThe History Press

The Story of a Bombing Raid

Lulu.com

Frank Broome was a 15 year old schoolboy when he experienced the three major blitzes in his home city of Coventry and at the age of 17 volunteered for the Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve in 1942 for pilot training. This autobiography, based on his copious diary entries and log books traces his pilot training in the UK, Canada and the USA where he flew single and twin-engined aircraft. Despite his almost perfect training record he,



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like many of his fellow trainees at this time, was not to gain his R.A.F. wings. There was a shortage of air crew, other than pilots, and Frank eventually transferred to an air-gunnery course. On his return to the UK he undertook operational crew training on Wellington as a tail gunner and made operational training sorties over enemy territory shortly after the D-Day landings. His crew then converted to four-engined heavy bombers first the Halifax and then the Lancaster. He gives first-hand

detailed accounts of the many missions during his tour with No. 626 Squadron during the height of Bomber Commands massed raids over Germany and occupied Europe. Excitement abounds with narrow squeaks from enemy night-fighters, radar directed anti-aircraft fire and other hazards of this most dangerous task. He eventually flew with two Wing Commanders and a Squadron Leader with crews who gained several gallantry awards. His book is written with a skill that portrays the dangers inherent in his task, the

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humor of service life and the sound reasons why his generation were proud to fly with Bomber Command.

**McCarthy** AuthorHouse

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*The World War II Story of Pee Wee Schooley* CreateSpace

This story began in your home, my home, your friends home, your relatives home, my friends and relatives homes as well. It talks about the things all or most women have talked about at one time or another. All of the information gathered for this book comes from you as the reader but most importantly as an individual. The chapters in this book are not of advice, they are of knowledge passed on to me

from all of the women I've met in my life. This book is my way of saying thanks to all of those who gave me the light at the end of the tunnel. Those individuals that I speak of are all of the women out there. If it wasn't for all of their words of wisdom I could not have made it through some of the things I have experienced in my own life. I hope you get as much from me as I have from all of you. My wish for this book is to let people know that they are never alone.

*Ghost Recon* Xlibris Corporation

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By the close of World War II, Flight Lieutenant Chan Chandler had flown a remarkable 98 missions, 65 of them with No 49 Squadron and 28 with the famous Dambuster Squadron, No 617. In addition he flew five trips with No 1 Photo FU.

*I'm Off to War, Mother, But I'll Be Back* AuthorHouse

Think about how much safer and relaxed you would feel if you knew what to expect from a relationship before you got into one. In this book I lay open my experiences from what I feel God revealed to me about falling in love. A thriving growing relationship which enters into marriage waits within these pages. Where hands

are still held within the revealed depths of love long after courtship, there is stability in behavior which promotes consistent growth. "As the bridegroom rejoices in His bride, so does the Lord rejoice in you." At last a pattern to behold and live for a full life. *The Story of a Bombing Raid* Tail Gunner

'Yesterday's Voices' gives older 'hi-lo' readers manageable, yet highly sophisticated, thought-provoking historical fiction. Each story includes a spread that gives the reader the factual background to the historical theme or event explored in the story.