# Iraq, Afghanistan, and the Home Front: A Poignant Account Through the Words of Troops and Their Families

#### **A Book Review**

In the aftermath of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, countless stories of bravery, sacrifice, and resilience have emerged. But few have been as moving and insightful as those shared in the book "Iraq, Afghanistan, and the Home Front: In the Words of Troops and Their Families."



## Operation Homecoming: Iraq, Afghanistan, and the Home Front, in the Words of U.S. Troops and Their

Families by Andrew Carroll

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This powerful and deeply personal book brings together the voices of those who have served on the front lines and those who have supported them from home. Through their firsthand accounts, we gain a profound understanding of the challenges, fears, and triumphs that have shaped their lives.

The book is divided into three parts. The first part focuses on the experiences of troops deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan. We hear from soldiers, Marines, airmen, and sailors as they recount their harrowing experiences in combat, their struggles with PTSD, and the challenges of reintegrating into civilian life.

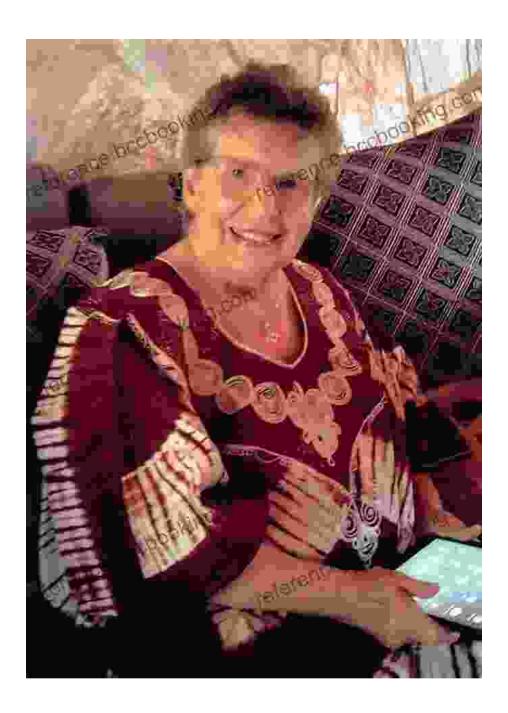
The second part of the book gives voice to the families of those who served. We hear from spouses, parents, siblings, and children as they share their own stories of sacrifice, anxiety, and unwavering support. Their words provide a poignant reminder of the human cost of war not only for those who fight it but also for those who love them.

The third part of the book explores the challenges faced by veterans and their families as they return home. We learn about the difficulties of adjusting to civilian life, the stigma associated with PTSD, and the lack of adequate support for those who have served. The stories in this section are both heartbreaking and inspiring, as they shed light on the ongoing struggles faced by our veterans.

"Iraq, Afghanistan, and the Home Front" is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the true cost of war. It is a book that will stay with you long after you finish reading it, a testament to the courage, resilience, and sacrifice of our service members and their families.

#### **About the Author**

The book is edited by Dr. Kathleen J. Wicker, a professor of sociology at Emory University. Dr. Wicker has conducted extensive research on the experiences of troops and their families during and after war. She is the author of several books and articles on this topic, including "Moral Wounds:



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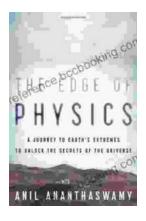
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