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“That Close” is the memory of the experiences that surrounded Private Robert Driskill’s combat tour in Vietnam from April to December of 1969. The memoir tells his story starting from the ambivalence he had about being drafted through the firefights and wounds he experienced in Vietnam to the estrangement he felt as he walked out of Walter Reed hospital into a civilian world not very interested in a faraway war. It also tells a tale of the commonplace courage of the twenty-year-old infantrymen of Charley Company, 5th of the 12th, 199th Light Infantry Brigade, and of the cowardice and character flaws of a Lieutenant more interested in his own glory and advancement than the well-being of his platoon. The good, the bad, and the ugly of a country and an army fighting a distant war for unclear purposes are all on display in this account focused on nine months of war in 1969.

## **That Close: a memory of combat in Vietnam Details**

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## **From Reader Review That Close: a memory of combat in Vietnam for online ebook**

### **Shaun says**

An engaging read. An addition to the stories been told by Vietnam veterans well after the conflict has ended but the trauma hasn't for those on the ground. Useful reminder of the futility and human cost of ar.

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### **cdavidbo says**

#### **Good read**

Well written story starting at boot camp, ait, to vietnam, and back home. Two purple hearts. Really lucky not having PTSD.

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### **Baylee Hoskison says**

#### **Days in hell**

I liked the way this book is written. It is very interesting and shows the hardships suffered by so many young people

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### **Pat Appel says**

#### **It was oK**

I never wrote a book but I guess when you are writing to the general public you have to explain every thing in minute detail. Most civilians don't understand the terminology. The book was oK. It's obvious why we lost so many men over there. The raw recruit was going up against an enemy with years of jungle warfare experience.

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### **Russell Cornwell says**

#### **A Gritty And Honest Book.**

The author does a good job in telling about his war. He doesn't glorify it and is brutally honest. From high school to college to basic training to Vietnam and to Walter Reed hospital. Very good book.

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**William B. says**

**The Truth of Combat**

This is a vividly told account of what the Vietnam War could be like if you were unlucky enough to be a grunt.

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**Miner Tuttle says**

**Boring**

Drivel not well composed . Not worth the time it takes to read. I am sure the experience was traumatic but it is "ho-hum" and not well composed. Not very entertaining.

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**James v white says**

**Told from the gut**

It seems like an honest account where the author does a little soul searching. Thanks. It was a good read

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**Mj says**

**Thoughtful book, well written**

I liked this guy's style. He is not dramatic and keeps a good perspective. This is an honest account of a tough time.

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**Dennie Fugitt says**

**Death in the jungle...That Close**

Bob Driskill's memory of combat in Viet Man is true to the way it was. He reminds us of the randomness fickle finger

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**Dan Morgan says**

**Too Close**

Remembering brothers, feeling the pain, but living the war again in the book. A must read for anyone

wanting to know.

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### **Warren Osborne says**

#### **Enlightening read**

I enjoyed the entire scope of the book, from bootcamp to later life ramifications of his time in Nam. His relating of the effects on his peers from Nam in later life.

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### **Mechelle Wallace says**

#### **Fast paced, Interesting!**

This was well written, although I wish he had explored his emotions in more depth  
I read the whole book in an evening, with no desire to put it down....

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### **Michael hostetter says**

#### **Very good book!**

This book was written very well and gave a lot of insight into what Vietnam combat veterans went through during their tours of duty as well as what they experienced through out the years when they came home. Recommend to anyone that is curious about the Vietnam war

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