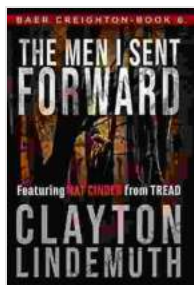


# The Men Sent Forward: Baer Creighton - A Comprehensive Overview

In the annals of military history, countless stories of heroism, sacrifice, and camaraderie have been recounted. Among these tales, the story of Baer Creighton stands out as a testament to the indomitable spirit of those who have served on the front lines of combat.

Creighton, a young man from a small town in Oregon, found himself thrust into the crucible of the Vietnam War. His experiences as a platoon leader in the 101st Airborne Division would forever shape his life and leave a lasting legacy on those who knew him.



## The Men I Sent Forward (Baer Creighton Book 6)

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This article delves into the life, experiences, and profound impact of Baer Creighton, as told in the acclaimed memoir 'The Men Sent Forward' by Kevin Powers.

## **Early Life and Military Career**

Baer Creighton was born in 1944 in Medford, Oregon. After graduating high school, he attended the University of Oregon, where he excelled academically and developed a keen interest in military history.

In 1966, Creighton's patriotic fervor led him to enlist in the U.S. Army. He underwent basic training at Fort Ord, California, and subsequently attended Officer Candidate School at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Upon graduation, Creighton was assigned to the 101st Airborne Division, known as the "Screaming Eagles," and deployed to Vietnam in 1967.

## **Experiences in Vietnam**

Creighton's experiences in Vietnam were both harrowing and transformative. As a platoon leader, he led his men through countless firefights and perilous jungle patrols.

One particularly harrowing incident occurred in the Ia Drang Valley, where Creighton's platoon was ambushed by a large enemy force. Despite being outnumbered and outgunned, Creighton rallied his men and led a fierce counterattack, ultimately repelling the enemy.

Throughout his deployment, Creighton displayed exceptional courage, leadership, and compassion. He was deeply committed to the well-being of his men and earned their unwavering trust and respect.

## **Leadership and Legacy**

Creighton's leadership qualities were not limited to the battlefield. He possessed an uncanny ability to connect with his men on a personal level

and inspire them to perform at their best.

Creighton believed in treating his men with dignity and respect. He recognized that every soldier had their own unique strengths and weaknesses, and he tailored his leadership style accordingly.

The impact of Creighton's leadership extended beyond his immediate platoon. His reputation for bravery and compassion spread throughout the 101st Airborne Division, and he became a role model for countless other soldiers.

### **The Men Sent Forward**

In 2014, Kevin Powers published 'The Men Sent Forward,' a memoir that chronicled Creighton's experiences in Vietnam. The book became an instant bestseller and garnered widespread critical acclaim.

Powers' account of Creighton's life and leadership provides a deeply personal and moving tribute to a remarkable soldier. The book humanizes the often-distant realities of war and sheds light on the sacrifices made by those who serve.

'The Men Sent Forward' has been praised for its vivid prose, emotional depth, and historical significance. It has become a must-read for anyone interested in the Vietnam War, military history, or the human experience of combat.

Baer Creighton was a true American hero whose story deserves to be remembered and celebrated. His courage, leadership, and compassion left an enduring legacy on those who served with him and on the countless others who have been inspired by his example.

Through the pages of 'The Men Sent Forward,' Baer Creighton's story continues to resonate, reminding us of the sacrifices made by those who have fought for our freedom and the indomitable spirit that can be found in the face of adversity.



**Photo Gallery**



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- 'Vietnam: A History' by Stanley Karnow
- 'The 101st Airborne: From Normandy to Desert Storm' by Shelby Stanton



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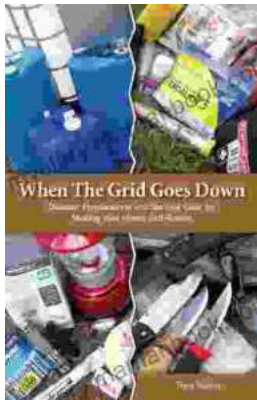
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