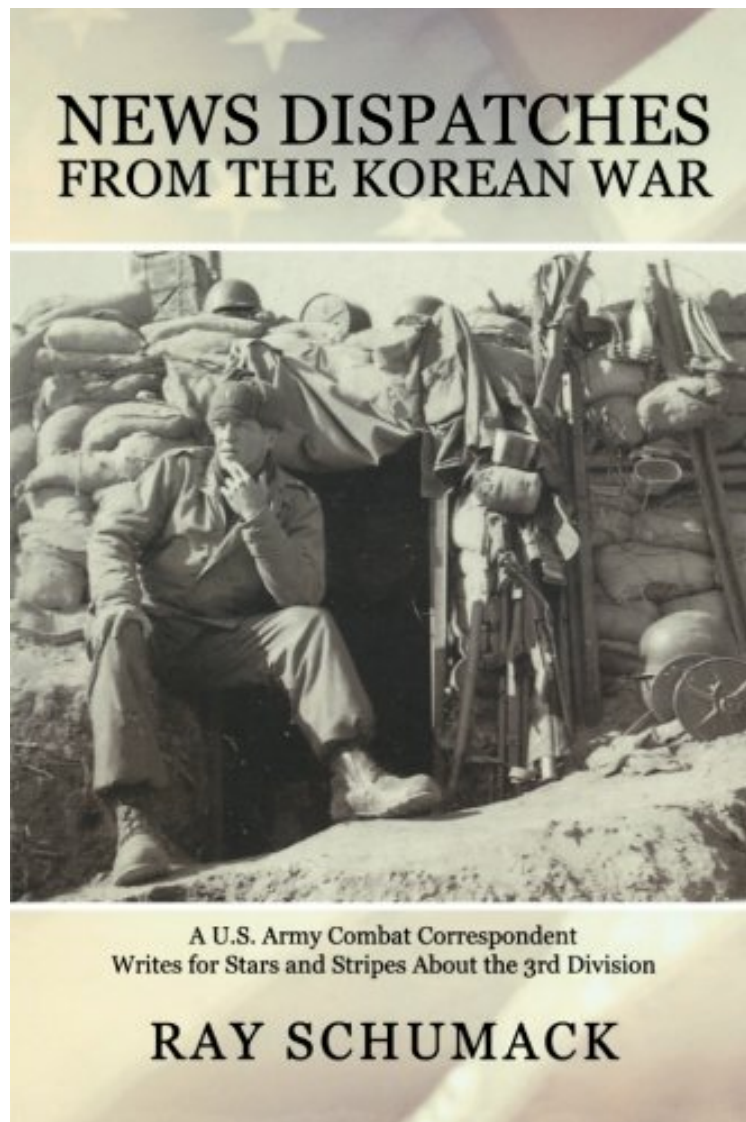


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Ray Schumack's telling of the Korean War was enlightening, especially for someone who has only read about it in school or viewed it on TV's M.A.S.H. series. Loved the show and in some ways Ray's vivid scenes reminded me of the humor and horror depicted in the show. War is bloody and war is hell, but the author did not focus on bloody battle scenes or unspeakable horrors he no doubt experienced. Instead he told it from the perspective of a soldier assigned to write about it and capture everyday life as he saw it - sometimes grim and sometimes humorous. This is a great read for anyone interested in the war and learning about it from someone who lived through it.  
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By Fred Henry  
My father was in the US Air Force during the Korean 'Conflict' and I was born shortly after the fighting ended there. I had many uncles who fought in World War II and Korea as well and I grew up listening to countless stories of those years. In his new book, "News Dispatches From the Korean War" Ray Schumack brings back all those memories for me, a forgotten time most people only know of through episodes of M\*A\*S\*H. Schumack puts the taste, feel, and texture of the action right on the page and the reader sees through a clear lens what it was like as an American soldier in Korea in the early 1950's. Korea was, perhaps, the last American war fought in the 20th Century that employed tactics used in WWI and WWII and this book truly captures that. What is most amazing to me is how someone can write about those experiences all these years later with such a sharp memory of detail. That Schumack wrote for Stars Stripes while in Korea is certainly an asset but his talent for the written word all these years later is truly a gift. For anyone who remembers those years or anyone who wishes to know what it was like I strongly recommend this book.  
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By Timothy J Hall  
I had the pleasure of randomly meeting Mr Schumack on a park bench in Sarasota's St. Armands Circle on 12/29/14. Completely by chance a random comment I made to him about everything being better with bacon led him to telling me a story he had written in his book. I'm a Marine Corps veteran who served in Korea multiple times thirty years after Mr Schumack did. I found him to be absolutely fascinating and we talked for more than thirty minutes about his book. I enjoyed his short book a great deal and actually meeting him made it much more meaningful to me.

Stories about war and great battles have been described in the bible, history books, novels and Hollywood movies. Some focused on heroism while others described destruction, suffering, death and the dismemberment of human bodies. Less has been written about the human condition – the need for companionship and trust, the odd-ball and sometimes funny things men do in combat to relieve their fear and tension. This is the humanity the author struggled to find in Korea. One of these stories is an episode that never made it to TV's M\*A\*S\*H.

Basically, a collection of funny but human war stories, all true...  
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Following military service author Ray Schumack held positions as a magazine editor, publicity director and an account manager for a Madison Avenue advertising and public relations agency. He served for 15 years as chief communication officer in the corporate headquarters of a Fortune 500 company responsible for the company's corporate communications and the product promotion for 17 divisions worldwide. His business articles have appeared in The Wall Street Journal, The New York Times, Fortune Magazine and many other publications. On retiring from the business world he established his own public relations firm and continues to serve several clients.