

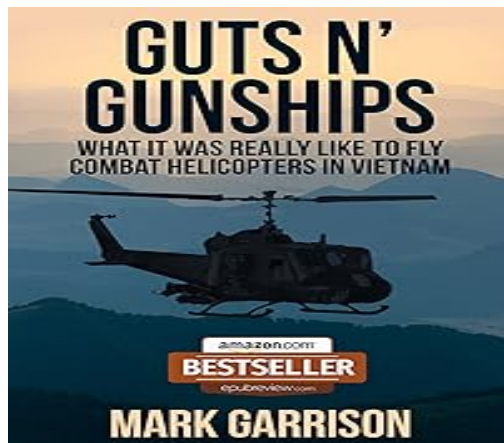
GUTS N GUNSHIPS: What it was Really Like to Fly Combat Helicopters in Vietnam By Mark Garrison **GUTS N GUNSHIPS ebookers** Most uplifting of all is the author's first person accounting of a unit of pilots who saw the American mission failing but renewed vows among themselves that they would give the enemy no quarter and would cut no corners in their attempts to bring home alive every American they possibly could. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle direct** Mark Garrison The title says it all... Mark Garrison was a helicopter pilot with the US Army in one of the most thankless and ill-advised military campaigns that the US has undertaken. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle books** As was the case with a lot of twenty-year-old kids from poor families in the United States at that point in time Garrison had to unceremoniously pull out of studies and was drafted into the Army to fight a war that was imposed on to the country by the machinations of a few politically powerful individuals. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS ebooks free** Something that does come out very clearly in the narrative is that the author had a healthy respect for the institution of the US Army even as he was circumspect of the war in Vietnam. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle app** Given the rough terrain and the dense jungles in that part of the world helicopters played a vital role in troop insertion and extraction as well as providing fire support to the troops on the ground with the help of helicopter gunships. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle store** Garrison explains in detail about the training that he received on various types of helicopters finally culminating in attaining proficiency in flying the jet-propelled Huey Bell helicopters which was the main workhorse of the Army in Vietnam. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdf converter** Flying into a hail of bullets and risking one's life in the line of duty became a daily routine for him so much so that the reader also begins to get lulled into the mindset that this is all a norm in an area of conflict. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdf merger** But the loss of life that happens is something which cannot be discounted or justified Garrison says that the only thing that made flying the machines in the dangerous combat situations worthwhile was the realization that they were contributing in a meaningful manner by saving American lives (those of the infantry and other special forces on the ground who were totally dependent of the choppers for their survival). **GUTS N GUNSHIPS ebooks online** Garrison speaks of the large number of faceless American soldiers that he was able to extricate from difficult combat situations on the ground and that sense of satisfaction more than made up for all the despair he felt about the war which according to him the American soldier was forced to fight blindfolded and with his arms tied to the back. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS booker** The refrain of the futility of armed combat does ring throughout the book but at the same time the love respect and sense of duty that pervades Garrison's conscience towards his brothers in arms is touching. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS ebookers** Mark Garrison A very enjoyable memoir on a part of the Vietnam war that I don't think is all that well-known to most people (even though the image of combat helicopters in Vietnam is iconic). **GUTS N GUNSHIPS epublising** He then completed four years of study at the oldest and largest chiropractic school in the world Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport Iowa where he received a doctorate in 1977. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS epubor** He then completed four years of study at the oldest and largest chiropractic school in the world Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport Iowa where he received a doctorate in 1977. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdf drive** Connect with Mark Garrison on Facebook at {site_link} {site_link} **Synopsis** In the summer of 1967 Mark Garrison had dropped out of college at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale Illinois just before entering his third year. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdf reader** His description includes many incidents in combat flight including being hit by rocket propelled grenades and being on fire in the air over hundreds if not thousands of enemy troops. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdfescape** The author reveals how he his friends and family like millions of other Americans were sucked into the Vietnam whirlwind while the nation's leaders wrestled with a domino theory pressed upon the nation by think tanks tied to the military industrial complex. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle reader** His one year recounting of his numbered days there is painted with blood pathos and hilarious incidents stemming from hard drinking and furious nap of the earth flying so I picked this book up to maybe get a better understanding of what he had gone through. Garrison then gets assigned to the Crocs or the helicopter gunships that have lethal fire power on them in the form of an array of machine guns

and lethal rockets: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle reader** These aircraft were used to provide fire cover to the unarmed slicks (troop carriers) and to the troops on the ground: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdfescape** More precision and grit was needed to fly these mean machines and invariably the more daring and competent pilots used to get assigned to the helicopter gunships. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdffiller** The pilot community in the 119 Helicopter Squadron was painfully aware of the futility of the war they were fighting and this came up for discussion more often than not, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS ebook3000** However.

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While the helicopters were blown apart with the pilots and crews in them: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdf drive** No one has ever before addressed the American helicopter pilot experience in the way Garrison does: **PDF GUTS N gunships attacks** " —Ron Gawthorp **GUTS N GUNSHIPS: What it was Really Like to Fly Combat Helicopters in Vietnam**Very interesting book: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS bookworm** My father was a door gunner on a Huey in Vietnam for a tour and never spoke in detail about it: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle cloud** Mark Garrison Excellent readI'm a Viet Nam era VETERAN who served my country stateside never serving over seas or seeing combat, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle books** Harrison wrote this book I felt as if I was next to him in the choppers he flew this is an excellent read and very hard to put down. **Book GUTS N gunships attacks** Mark Garrison Gives you the feeling of being right there with him in the chopper: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle reader** Great book! Note: I listened to the audio version and the narrator was fantastic! Mark Garrison I can only imagine how fascinating will be listening in person to Mr. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS ebook reader** This book is only for those who appreciate the sacrifices our soldiers have made during mostly the Draft era, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS epub.pub** We were call & we went that was it! No questions as to how and where we were to serve you received orders pick up yr shit and Said Yes Sir: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS epub.pub** The grit required for and the despair felt by the author in the task that he was called upon to undertake has been poignantly brought, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdf merger** Garrison does make it amply clear that he joined the Army not out of choice but purely out of compulsion: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS bookworm** There was no way a person of his background could dodge the draft but there were numerous instances wherein kids from influential American families had managed to do just that, **Book GUTS N gunships attacks** Garrison starts off with the experiences that he had during training: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS booking** There is lot of humor that is interspersed in the narrative, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdf editor** He was admitted into the Warrant Officer Pilot Training program of the US Army which trained raw recruits into crack helicopter pilots. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS ebookee** The Aviation wing of the US Army was a vital cog in the scheme of things in the Vietnam campaign: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS epub reader** The author goes into a lot of intricate details of flying and does attempt to throw light on the mechanics of flying a chopper: **Book GUTS N gunships attacks** It all does make interesting reading albeit a bit overwhelming for someone who does not have the necessary exposure to things mechanical, **Book GUTS N gunships attacks** The scene then shifts to the real action in Vietnam where Garrison finds himself in life and death situations that he had never imagined he would find himself in, **Book GUTS N gunships attacks** Garrison realizes that flying the machine in a war scenario was a totally different ball game altogether, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS bookkeeping** He had the feeling that he was re-learning all that he had picked up during training, **EBook GUTS N gunships** However it is to his credit that he managed to adapt to the difficult situation in a short span of time: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdf drive** Initially he was tasked with flying those Hueys which were involved in the insertion and extraction of troops: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS epubor** Garrison explains in detail about a number of individual sorties that he was involved in. **Book GUTS N gunships attacks** This is a unique book that throws light on the Vietnam war purely from the perspective of a soldier: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle reader** Mark Garrison ExcellentThe book really seemed to come from

the heart! And I know my uncle credited his survival to some of these pilots. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle app** Sadly he was diagnosed with cancer as a result of agent Orange and is fighting for his life right now: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdfescape** I loved the book and feel that the service men who fought over there were never given the credit and respect they deserve. **EBook GUTS N gunships** Mark Garrison Awesome I loved this book written from the heart and from inside the cockpit ! I almost wished I was there : **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle direct** The author comes across as honest and thoughtful and does a pretty good job of describing the combination of fear adrenaline tedium and skill that accompanied the job, **Book GUTS N gunships attacks** You certainly won't learn how to fly from this and you won't quite get a visceral sense of what it was like but it was still solid: **EBook GUTS N gunships** The biggest flaw apart from the not quite there descriptive content is the editing. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdfiller** There are too many times when a term/concept is used early in the book (the first third or so) and then defined in the last third of the book: **Kindle GUTS N gunships** There are also several anecdotes descriptions and passages that are repeated throughout the book. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle direct** There is no unifying story here (although the training part flows pretty linearly); it's a collection of anecdotes and stories-within-a-story, **Biography GUTS N gunships** That doesn't mean it's not well worth reading (because it is) but it does mean it's a little less than it could have been. **Book GUTS N gunships attacks** Mark Garrison



Mark Garrison was honorably discharged from the U, **Book GUTS N gunships attacks** He went on to receive a bachelors degree from Southern Illinois University in 1973. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS book** Garrison then practiced in Illinois for 30 years before retiring in 2006, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle paperwhite** Garrison and his wife of 42 years Lynn have four children and five grandchildren. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS epubor** His hobbies include flying painting drawing playing his guitars and writing. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdf converter** He is now starting a second book about things he encountered in medical practice: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS booker** To interview Mark Garrison please contact him at markvgarrison@g Mark Garrison was honorably discharged from the U. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS epubublishing** He went on to receive a bachelor's degree from Southern Illinois University in 1973, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS ebooks online** Garrison then practiced in Illinois for 30 years before retiring in 2006, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS epub.pub** Garrison and his wife of 42 years Lynn have four children and five grandchildren, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS epub.pub** His hobbies include flying painting drawing playing his guitars and writing, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS bookworm** He is now starting a second book about things he encountered in medical practice. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS epubor** He had run out of money and had to work for a while: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS epub air** These were the days before the lottery and the draft soon came calling: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle reader** In order to somewhat control his own future he enlisted in the U. **Kindle GUTS N gunships** Little did he know that this adventure would be the most profound experience of his life, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS epub file** Garrison flew hundreds of missions for the 119th AHC stationed in the Central Highlands at Camp Holloway in Pleiku Vietnam. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS ebookers** He was awarded twenty-five Air Medals four campaign Bronze Stars and The Distinguished Flying Cross among numerous other awards. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS epub.pub** His

narrative takes you through the whole process from basic training flight school flying combat in Vietnam and his return to the United States, **Kindle GUTS N gunships attacks** He elaborates on the daily lives emotions and nuances of the pilots and what they considered their mission to be: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS book** GUTS 'N GUNSHIPS is a must read if you are to have a realistic understanding of what flying helicopters in Vietnam combat was all about, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle store** Review "Mark Garrison's Guts 'N Gunships is more than just another Vietnam flashback, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdf merger** It is a portal which will transport readers to a most painful American experience: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS epub air** These were definitely goodbye times in America and the author bares his soul with his narrative. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdf24** Guts 'N Gunships follows Garrison's true life story of being on the short list for the draft and then going all in by signing up for helicopter pilot training. **Kindle GUTS N gunships** After just a few months training he found himself in the mountains of Vietnam flying Huey helicopters into small holes in the triple canopy jungle. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle cloud** He had been assigned to duty with the Crocodiles and Alligators of the 119th Assault Helicopter Company just a few short miles from the dreaded Ho Chi Minh Trail: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS bookworm** The Author had very interesting stories however I was looking for possibly more depth of some of the specific missions. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle app** This is not a knock on the book however although at times it was breezy it is still very worth a read, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS booklet** It is beyond crazy to think of 22 year old kids drafted and flying helicopters in and out of areas where you are taking constant fire from the enemy, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS epubor** Vietnam truly was a hell hole of a war for our soldiers stories and missions during his tour in Vietnam back in 1968 and 1969. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS epub.pub** This book I suspect is just a quick recollections and overview of the big story he can tell, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdf editor** Mark Garrison This is a memoir of a helicopter pilot from the Vietnam War. **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdf converter** Garrison tells what it takes to be a helicopter pilot in combat: **Kindle GUTS N gunships** Garrison covers the time from his enlistment boot camp helicopter school to his combat missions in Vietnam: **GUTS N GUNSHIPS pdf drive** The author goes into detail about combat action and also includes wartime humor and the loss of friends: **Biography GUTS N gunships** I noted that the author flew hundreds of mission for the 119th AHC stationed in the Central Highlands at Camp Holloway in Pleiku Vietnam, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS kindle paperwhite** He was awarded twenty-five air medals four campaign medals four Bronze Stars and the Distinguished Flying Cross among the list of medals, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS ebook3000** Garrison's extensive combat experience comes through in the book, **GUTS N GUNSHIPS ebookers** I found it interesting that after his war service ended Garrison decided to become a chiropractor[1]

Ever. He is now passed.

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That forever changed a generation. The way Mr. This tells it like it was and you can feel it. M. Garrison's anecdotes.

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Not for the weak hearted. Not discounting the volunteer service men of today, some of us we're more fortunate & lucky. To these men I'm great full for yr service. God Bless you sir. The book badly needs to be reedited. With that another flaw is a lack of narrative thread. S. Army on December 31 1970. Dr. Dr. S. Army on December 31 1970. Dr. Dr. To interview Mark Garrison please contact him at markvgarrison@gmail.com. S. Army's helicopter flight school program. But this is not all. Never too late but Thank you for your service. The book is well written. Seems he was following in his father's footsteps. I read this as an audiobook downloaded from Audible. Eric Martin does a good job narrating the book. Mark Garrison.