



## Bonding for Life - highlights

- 230 pictures and illustrations including 54 color pictures.
  - Memorable trips to Italy and Southern France to mount plaques and celebrate anniversaries.
  - Untold Tales from World War II including the story of Gen. Patton's slapping a soldier. Two spies in the Force. And more.
  - Meeting Princess Grace Kelly.
  - The Monument- creating the association.
  - Hollywood finds the Force – "Devils Brigade" starring William Holden, Cliff Robertson and others.
  - Books, articles and videos about the Force.
  - How the newsletter Spearhead is born in France.
  - Menton Day – honoring the day the Force was disbanded.
  - Monuments and plaques in Canada, the US, Italy and Southern France.
  - Leaders over six decades.
  - Highlights of the 60 reunions.
- + more!

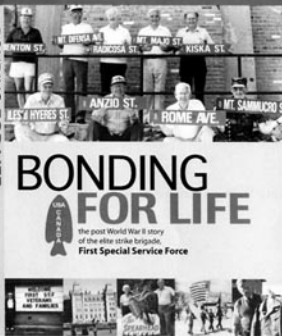
## Honoring history

*Of all the associations in his life, the memories and association with the Force and its comrades were the strongest thread in my father's life.*

*I was privileged to attend the 2004 Twin Cities reunion and meet the people who had so greatly influenced his life, character and memories...and to actually understand, first hand, what his being a soldier was all about.*

*From the bottom of my heart, I thank all of you who have so selflessly dedicated your time and efforts into keeping this history and knowledge alive, and passing it through to the following generations.*

*Mary Lou Campbell*  
daughter of Mitchell J. Skarski, Hq. Co.



## The post World War II story of the First Special Service Force

This book tells the story of peacetime bonding of the Force veterans over the 61 years after the war. Annually they have had a reunion first in the US and then the following year in Canada.

The First Special Service Force, grandfather of today's Special Forces, was a unique US Army unit made up of Canadian and US troops that trained secretly in Helena, Montana soon after Pearl Harbor. In combat it never lost a battle.

**More than a dozen books have been written about the Force and thousands about World War II. But never before has any dealt exclusively with the post-war years.**

### Cover image

Top picture: Veterans prepare to mount street signs, named for their WWII battles, at Fort Harrison in Helena, MT where the Force began in 1942 and where the FSSF Association was formed in 1947.

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