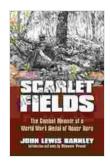
# The Combat Memoir of World War II Medal of Honor Hero: A Modern War Studies Book Review

Audie Murphy was one of the most decorated American soldiers of World War II. He was awarded the Medal of Honor for his heroic actions at Anzio, Italy, where he single-handedly held off an entire German company. Murphy's combat memoir, *To Hell and Back*, is a firsthand account of the horrors of war and the bravery of those who fought in it.



#### Scarlet Fields: The Combat Memoir of a World War I Medal of Honor Hero (Modern War Studies)

by John Lewis Barkley

★★★★ 4.5 out of 5

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Murphy's memoir begins with his childhood in rural Texas. He describes his family's poverty and his early experiences with violence. When he was 17 years old, Murphy lied about his age and joined the Army. He was assigned to the 3rd Infantry Division and shipped to North Africa.

Murphy's division fought its way through Sicily and Italy. In January 1944, Murphy was part of the landing at Anzio. The landings were a disaster, and Murphy's division was soon surrounded by German forces. Murphy fought bravely, but he was wounded several times. Despite his wounds, Murphy continued to fight. He manned a machine gun and held off the Germans for hours. His actions saved the lives of many of his fellow soldiers.

Murphy was awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions at Anzio. He was also awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the Silver Star, and the Bronze Star. After the war, Murphy returned to the United States and became a successful actor. He starred in several films, including *To Hell and Back*, which was based on his memoir.

Murphy's combat memoir is a powerful and moving account of the horrors of war. It is a must-read for anyone interested in World War II or the history of the Medal of Honor.

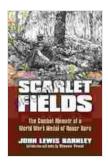
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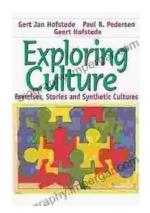
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