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Unknown Soldiers: Reliving World War II in Europe

Joseph Garland
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Surviving Soldiers:[/b] In 1943, Joseph Garland began to keep a journal describing his life as an infantry soldier during World War II. The author and his friends and fellow soldiers fought in some of the war's bloodiest battles: Anzio Beachhead, the Battle of the Bulge, and the liberation of Dachau.

In *Unknown Soldiers: Reliving World War II in Europe* (Protean Press, 978-0-9625780-3-8), Gar-land, the author of more than twenty books, tells the GI's story of life on the front where every day was another chance to be killed. This book is valuable for its first person accounts, as the numbers of those who served dwindles daily. (Only four members of Garland's platoon are still living.)

After the war, Garland returned to Harvard to complete his degree and then spent thirty years as a journalist. Following this, the author journeyed throughout the country to hear the stories of soldiers who rarely talked about the war. Garland presents a testament to the heroism of those who fought, died, and lived, and shows that survival guilt and post-traumatic stress disorder beleaguered the warriors of the "Good War" much as the veteran's of Vietnam. (August 18, 2009)

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