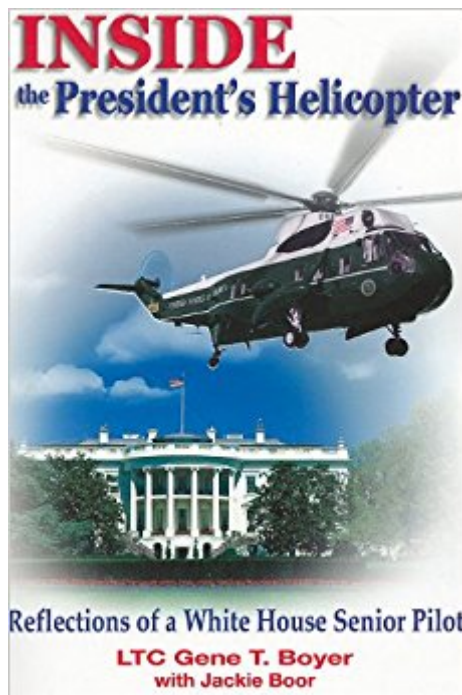




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INSIDE THE PRESIDENT'S HELICOPTER is dedicated to the spirit and achievements of the courageous helicopter aviators and flight crews who have flown in battle. Thank you for the lives you saved, the sacrifices you made and the incomparable legacy you leave to a grateful nation.

This is an excellent addition to the library of anyone interested in presidential history, and presidential travel and security in particular. Lt. Colonel Boyer has terrific, detailed accounts of his time with Johnson, Nixon and Ford. I'm glad we now have words from a presidential helicopter pilot, and the man who flew Nixon away from the White House is a good one to hear from. (At least I don't know of any other books by helicopter pilots!) The ONLY downside (and it's minor) is that this was probably a very inexpensive printing, and there are a couple of glaring typos unfortunately near the beginning. It's only a couple, so just move right on past them because the book is worth it.

These bio's are always good reading. This one didn't disappoint.

An outstanding book. To have had a career like the author's is simply amazing. Learned something new: did not know that the Presidential helicopter program was managed by the Army originally. Must read for anyone interested in Air Force One or Marine One history.

I've really enjoyed reading this book. I'm ex-military, did 3 tours, and am a helicopter enthusiast. Boyer's stories answered a lot of questions I had about underlying political currents when I was in, especially LBJ. The chopper stories were fascinating. I could hardly put this book down.

As a docent at the Nixon Library I am so enjoying Col. Boyer's narrative. I only wish I had been able to meet him in person but rest assured I take great pride in taking visitors through the Presidents Helo.

A series of experiences and events shed interesting light of the Vietnam conflict and an inside look

at the presidents of the authors time. A readable collection of memories.

I enjoyed reading the book. I was able to get a glimpse of the Executive Flight Detachment unit that my dad was a part of during his time in the Army. Though he was part of the unit his job was not as exciting as flying the helicopters.

My husband flew with Marine One and he loved reading and remembering his time with this unit. He remembers LTC Boyer fondly. I enjoyed reading it as well and sharing in his memories.

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