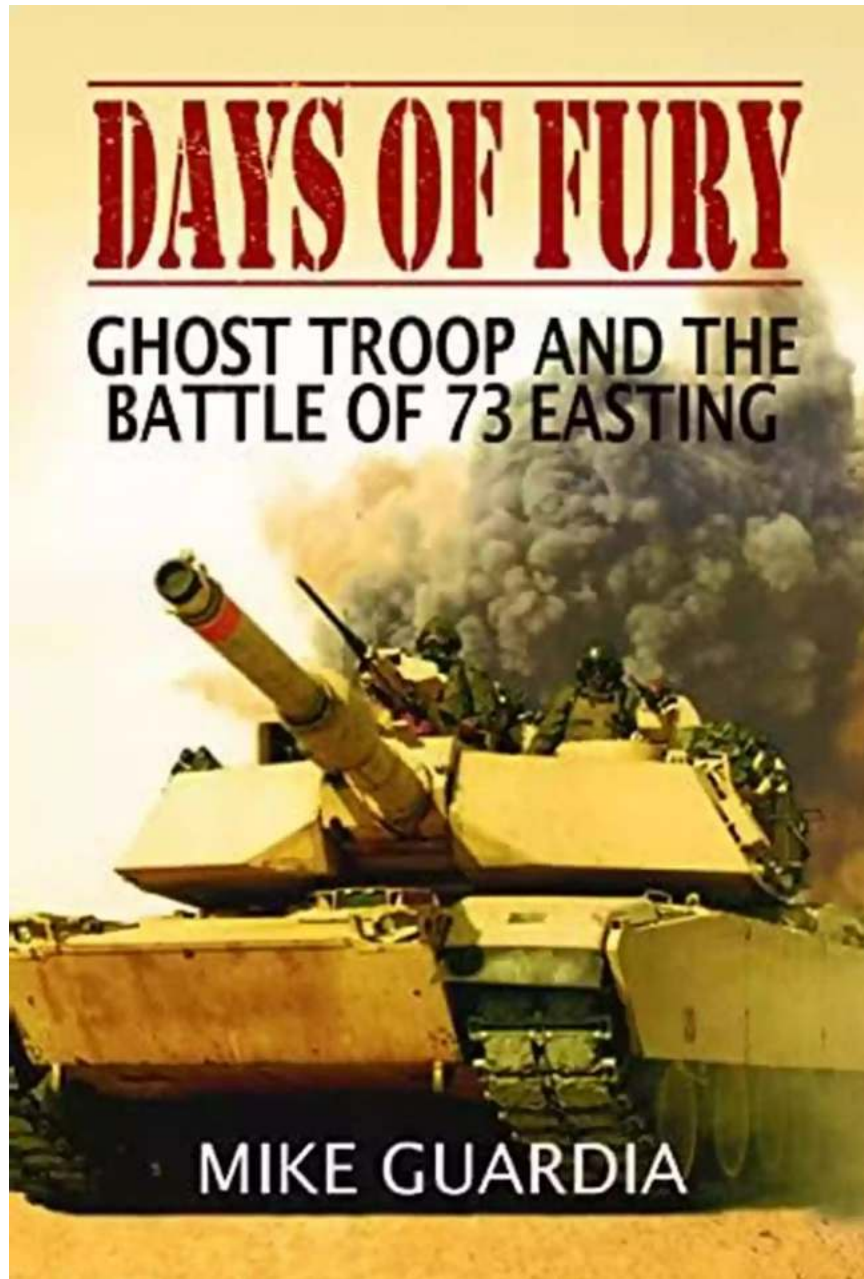


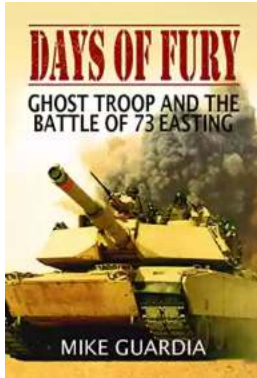
# Ghost Troop And The Battle Of 73 Easting: A Legendary Clash of Tanks



History has witnessed numerous battles that have left a lasting impact on military strategies and tactics. One such legendary clash took place during the Gulf War in 1991: The Battle of 73 Easting. In this crucial encounter, Ghost Troop emerged as a force to be reckoned with, displaying exceptional bravery and resilience.

## The Battlefield

The Battle of 73 Easting occurred in the desolate desert of Kuwait on February 26, 1991. It was a pivotal moment in the Gulf War, where the United States-led coalition forces launched a massive ground offensive against the Iraqi Army, aiming to liberate Kuwait from Saddam Hussein's forces.



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## Ghost Troop: Fearless and Ferocious

Ghost Troop was an armored cavalry unit belonging to the U.S. Army's 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment. They were equipped with M1 Abrams tanks and Bradley Fighting Vehicles, and composed of highly trained soldiers prepared for the hardships of combat.

On that fateful day, Ghost Troop found themselves in a perilous position, outnumbered and facing fierce resistance from a well-entrenched Iraqi force. Undeterred by the adversity, they unleashed their unparalleled prowess and emerged as the vanguard of the coalition forces.

## **The Battle Commences**

As the early morning sun began to rise over the vast Kuwaiti desert, Ghost Troop spearheaded the coalition advance, charging straight into enemy territory. Iraqi tanks and troops, caught off guard by the audacity and speed of the American forces, quickly became disoriented.

The Abrams tanks, renowned for their superior firepower and armor, shredded through the Iraqi defenses with lethal precision. Ghost Troop showcased their exceptional training and teamwork, executing flawless maneuvers while minimizing casualties.

## **The Turning Point**

One of the key moments of the battle came when Ghost Troop encountered the elite Iraqi Tawakalna Division's armored brigade. Undeterred by the imposing enemy force, they engaged in a fierce armored melee with their adversaries.

Despite sustaining heavy fire and damage to their tanks, the soldiers of Ghost Troop maintained their composure and resilience. Their skillful marksmanship and unwavering determination overwhelmed the enemy, ultimately leading to the defeat and retreat of the Iraqi armored brigade.

## **Victory and Legacy**

The Battle of 73 Easting showcased the power and effectiveness of modern armored warfare. Ghost Troop's exceptional performance instilled admiration and respect among both their comrades and military strategists worldwide.

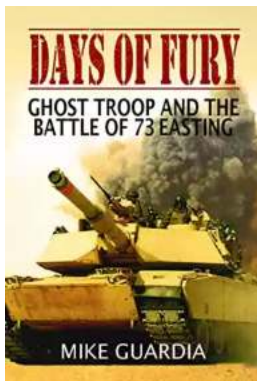
The battle's legacy extends beyond the immediate triumph. It served as a valuable lesson in strategic planning, coordination, and execution in the realm of ground warfare. Ghost Troop's accomplishments have become a source of

inspiration for future generations of soldiers, highlighting the importance of discipline, training, and unwavering dedication to the mission at hand.

## The Lasting Impact

The Battle of 73 Easting became a turning point in the Gulf War, demonstrating the coalition forces' overwhelming superiority and leading to the liberation of Kuwait. It also marked a significant shift in military tactics, emphasizing the importance of combined arms operations and the utilization of advanced technology.

The name "Ghost Troop" will forever be etched in military history, signifying the bravery and valor displayed by the soldiers who fought in one of the most remarkable tank battles of modern times.



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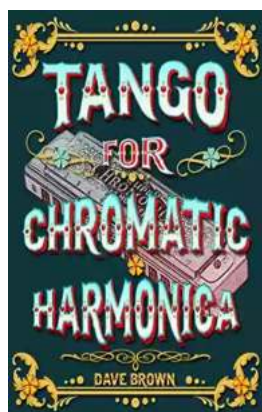
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August 1990: Iraqi forces under the command of Saddam Hussein invade the tiny emirate of Kuwait. Within hours, the Kuwaiti defenses collapse under the onslaught of the Iraqi Army. In response, the US military leads a coalition of thirty-four nations in what becomes Operation Desert Storm—a violent campaign to eject the Iraqis from Kuwait. At the tip of the spear are the men of Ghost Troop in the US Army’s 2d Armored Cavalry Regiment.

Commanded by Captain Joseph Sartiano, Ghost Troop was among the lead elements of the US VII Corps’ advance into Iraq. On February 26, 1991, Ghost Troop encountered a brigade-sized element of the Tawakalna Division— the elite frontline forces of Iraq’s Republican Guard. Although significantly outnumbered and outgunned, Ghost Troop won a decisive victory with minimal losses to their own ranks. History would call it the Battle of 73 Easting.

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