

# An Irishman's War in Iraq: A Soldier's Harrowing Account

In the annals of war, the story of Michael Murphy is a compelling tale of courage, sacrifice, and the enduring power of the human spirit.

Murphy was an Irish-born soldier who served with distinction in the US Navy SEALs. In 2005, his unit was deployed to Iraq, where they found themselves in the midst of a deadly ambush. Despite being outnumbered and outgunned, Murphy and his comrades fought valiantly. In the end, Murphy was killed in action, but his heroic actions helped save the lives of his fellow soldiers.



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## **A Soldier's Early Life**

Michael Murphy was born in County Wexford, Ireland, in 1976. He grew up in a small village, where he developed a love of the outdoors and a strong work ethic. After graduating from high school, Murphy moved to the United States, where he joined the US Navy. He quickly rose through the ranks, and in 2002, he became a member of the elite Navy SEALs.

## **The War in Iraq**

In 2005, Murphy's unit was deployed to Iraq, where they were tasked with hunting down high-value targets. On June 28, 2005, Murphy's team was ambushed by a group of insurgents. The SEALs fought back valiantly, but they were outnumbered and outgunned. Murphy was killed in action, but his heroic actions helped save the lives of his fellow soldiers.

## **The Aftermath**

Murphy's death sent shockwaves through the United States and Ireland. He was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor, the highest military decoration in the United States. In 2007, a movie was made about Murphy's life and death, entitled "Lone Survivor." The movie starred Mark Wahlberg as Murphy, and it was a critical and commercial success.

## **Murphy's Legacy**

Michael Murphy was a true hero. He was a brave and dedicated soldier who gave his life for his country. His memory will never be forgotten, and his legacy will continue to inspire people for generations to come.

In addition to the Medal of Honor, Murphy has been honored in numerous other ways. In 2005, the US Navy named a destroyer after him, the USS

Michael Murphy (DDG-112). In 2012, the Irish government unveiled a statue of Murphy in County Wexford. And in 2014, the US Congress passed a resolution designating June 28 as "Michael P. Murphy Day."

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## **Image Gallery**





The USS Michael Murphy (DDG-112)



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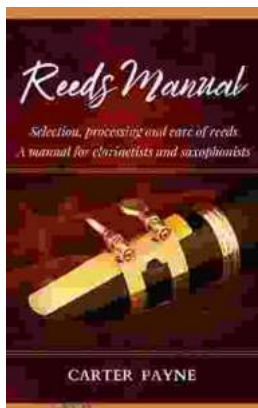
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