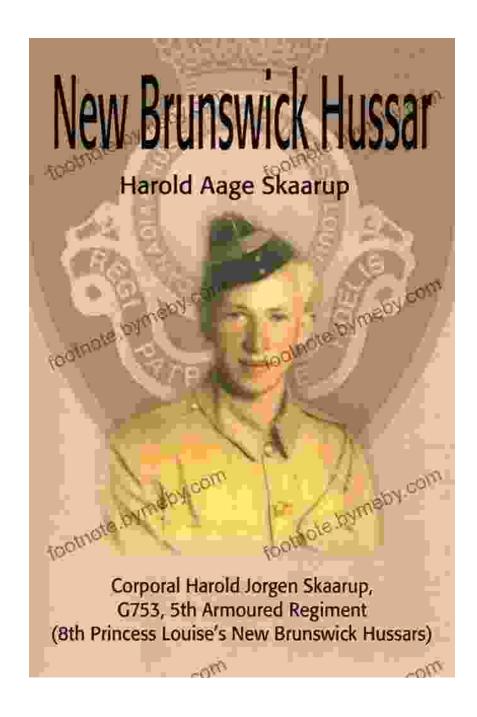
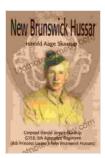
Corporal Harold Jorgen Skaarup G753: A Hero of the 5th Armoured Regiment and 8th Princess Louise



Corporal Harold Jorgen Skaarup was a brave and dedicated soldier who served in the 5th Armoured Regiment and 8th Princess Louise during

World War II. His story is one of courage, determination, and sacrifice.



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Early Life and Military Service

Harold Jorgen Skaarup was born on October 12, 1917, in Viborg, Denmark. He immigrated to Canada with his family in 1928 and settled in Winnipeg, Manitoba. In 1940, he enlisted in the Canadian Army and was assigned to the 5th Armoured Regiment.

The 5th Armoured Regiment was a tank regiment that fought in the Italian Campaign. Skaarup served as a tank driver and gunner. He was involved in some of the most intense fighting of the campaign, including the Battle of Monte Cassino.

Heroism at Ortona

Skaarup's most famous act of heroism occurred during the Battle of Ortona in December 1943. The 5th Armoured Regiment was tasked with clearing

the town of German forces. Skaarup's tank was one of the first to enter Ortona.

As Skaarup's tank approached the town square, it came under heavy fire from German anti-tank guns. Skaarup's tank was hit several times, but he refused to retreat. He continued to fire at the German positions, allowing the rest of the regiment to advance.

Skaarup's actions helped to secure the town square, which was a key objective in the battle. For his bravery, he was awarded the Military Medal.

Later Service

After the Battle of Ortona, Skaarup continued to serve with the 5th Armoured Regiment. He participated in the liberation of Rome and the advance through northern Italy. In 1945, he was transferred to the 8th Princess Louise, a reconnaissance regiment.

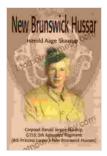
Skaarup was honourably discharged from the army in 1946. He returned to Canada and worked as a mechanic. He remained active in the military community and was a member of the Royal Canadian Legion.

Legacy

Corporal Harold Jorgen Skaarup was a true hero. His courage and determination helped to secure victory for the Allies in World War II. He is an inspiration to all who serve in the Canadian Armed Forces.

Skaarup's story is told in the book *Corporal Harold Jorgen Skaarup G753:*A Hero of the 5th Armoured Regiment and 8th Princess Louise. The book is available for Free Download online and at bookstores.

Corporal Harold Jorgen Skaarup was a brave and dedicated soldier who served his country with honour. His legacy will live on for generations to come.

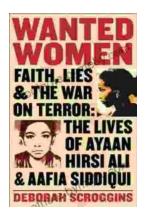


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