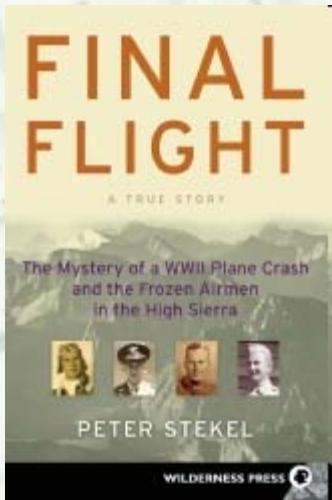


NEW BOOK TELLS THE TRUE-LIFE MYSTERY OF MUMMIFIED WWII AIRMEN FOUND IN THE HIGH SIERRA



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In October 2005, two mountaineers climbing above Mendel Glacier in the High Sierra found the remarkably well-preserved remains of a man in a WWII uniform, frozen in the ice. The Frozen Airman immediately gripped the attention of the nation and a media storm ensued.

The mystery drew author Peter Stekel to investigate. What happened to the four-man crew who perished on a routine training flight in 1942, 150 miles off-course from its reported destination? Stekel found bad luck, bad weather, and bad timing. Then, in 2007, the unimaginable happened again. Stekel himself discovered a second body in the glacier. Another young man would finally be coming home.

Through meticulous research, interviews, and his own mountaineering trips to the crash site, Stekel uncovered the stories behind who these four young men were who had lost their lives in service to their country.

The book deftly weaves these threads into a gripping account that's part mystery, part history, and a personal journey to uncover the truth of what happened on November 18, 1942. In the process Stekel rewrites the young aviators' last days and takes us on their final flight.

Featured on BBC 4 and National Geographic's *Mysterious Science*

*"Stekel skillfully weaves the crew's fate in these rugged mountains with his own quest to unravel the mystery."—Eric Blehm, bestselling author of *The Last Season**

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