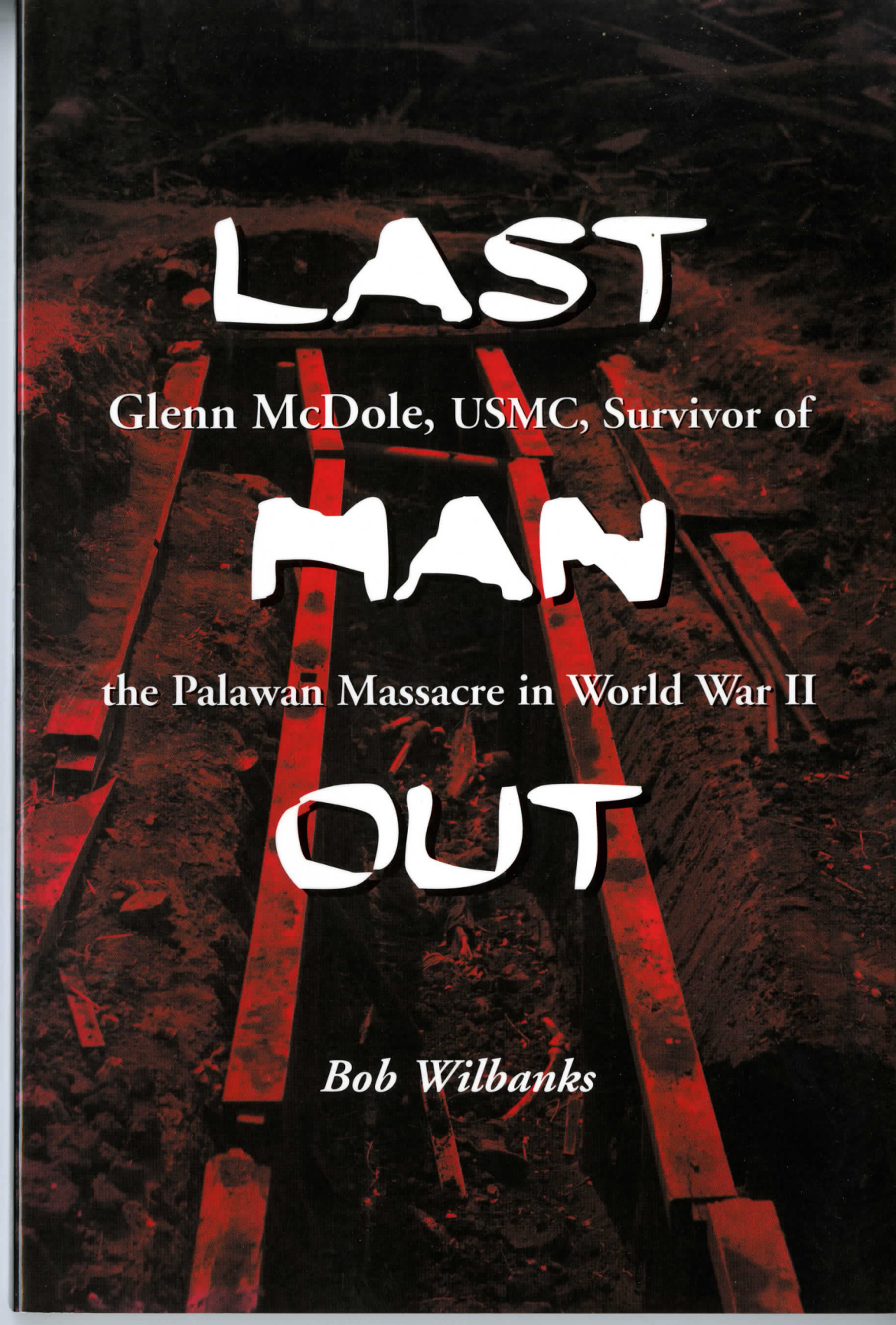




LAST

Glenn McDole, USMC, Survivor of

MAN

the Palawan Massacre in World War II

OUT

Bob Wilbanks

11-15-04

To Lynhoo
Best To you

Sherry McVick

Last Man Out

Rob Wilbanks



On December 14, 1944, Japanese soldiers massacred 139 of the 150 American POWs held at Palawan Prison Camp 10A. This biography tells the story of Glenn ("Mac") McDole, one of eleven young men who escaped and the last man out.

Beginning on December 8, 1941, at the U.S. Navy Yard barracks at Cavite, the story of this young Iowa Marine continues through the fighting on Corregidor, his capture by the Japanese Imperial Army in May 1942, his entry into the Palawan prison camp in the Philippines on August 12, 1942, the vile conditions he and his comrades endured there, and the terrible day when 139 young soldiers were slaughtered.

The book offers details of the escapes of the few survivors—who dug into refuse piles, hid in coral caves, and slogged through swamp and jungle. It also contains an account of the war crimes trials of the Japanese guards, follow-ups on the various places and people in the text, and a roster of the names and hometowns of the victims of the Palawan massacre.

Retired journalist and reporter Bob Wilbanks was vice president/editorial at Stover Publishing Company for ten years. He lives in Urbandale, Iowa.



McFARLAND

ISBN 0-7864-1822-2



9 780786 418220

Cover photograph:
remnants of *B* shelter inside
the Palawan camp, with the
charred bones and ashes of
prisoners (*U.S. War
Department*)