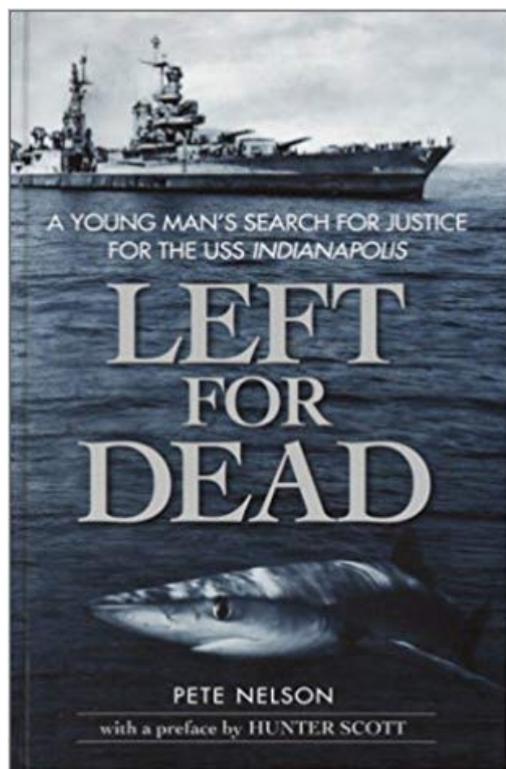


## Left for Dead *by* Peter Nelson



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Having heard the story of this great warship and tragic terrible end, a young boy decides to look into the matter and find out why the ship's captain received a court martial as punishment for something he did not do, despite the Navy's knowledge of this.



## Reviews of the *Left for Dead* *by* Peter Nelson

Bremar

An in-depth look at the torpedoing of the USS Indianapolis at the end of WWII, and the tragic consequences of the delay in reaching the survivors; it also shows in detail the Navy's slow response when the ship went missing. The tragic erroneous court-martial of the ship's captain is described, as well as the efforts over the years by the crew and his family members to have his name cleared. Years later, effective detective work showed all too well who the real culprits were for so much loss of life of many crew members. This research snowball began to roll when a young boy watching the movie "Jaws" asked his father about the sinking. Over many months, after much legwork, many interviews and a couple of history fair projects, he had gathered enough new information to exonerate the ship's captain. He received well-earned national recognition and praise for this. His tireless efforts to obtain justice for the ship's captain cannot be praised too highly This is the most informative of the several books I have read on this subject.

### Snake Rocking

A true story of how the Navy hushed up their mishandling of a torpedoed U.S. vessel on a special mission, , blaming it on its Captain. S.O.S.s were disregarded and the crew was abandoned in shark infested waters for several days. Survivors - very few, tried to clear their Captain's name for years, but it took a young schoolboy researching a school project to bring closure and the truth to light. Graphic in parts, Photos of those involved. A piece of World War II history you will not forget. Meticulously researched.

### Bumand

Very enlightening story about the Indianapolis and trauma of the men "left for dead". Hunter Scott was a very intelligent young man to expose all the events in order to get the whole story out to the Legislatures and President in order to get Capt. McVey pardoned and tell what happened to the men whom the Navy forgot.

### Painbrand

I had never heard of the USS Indianapolis until the story was featured during "Shark Week" on the Discovery Channel. Just like Ryan Scott had never heard of it until he saw the movie Jaws when Robert Shaw's character, Quint, talks about it. I couldn't believe that this really happened. The suffering that these sailors endured is tragic.

This book is excellent and well worth reading. I would highly recommend it to anyone interested in history or shipwrecks.

### superstar

This book deserves five stars because it explains the details and facts in a way any American can understand concerning the USS INDIANAPOLIS. The story is amplified by including the young boy who helped bring justice to the survivors and their captain. The details seem to come to life off the pages. It is extremely emotional at times.

I recommend this book to any history buff, any veteran of WWII, any currently serving in military service, and to family members of any who have served our great country. You might just get to know those better who have protected and are protecting our precious freedoms.

I also recommend this to any who have no knowledge of our military. You just might learn something that will enrich your life and something that you can pass down to future generations to show respect for our veterans/military.

(From a Daughter of a WWII Veteran who served in the Pacific)

### Rasmus

Just like young Hunter Scott I saw the scene in Jaws, but unlike him I paid no attention to it. I'm glad he did. The book was very good and enlightening. I never knew that so many people that I have mentioned this book to were aware of the sinking. I would recommend this read to anyone interested in historical events.

### Utchanat

I know this young man's family is very justly proud of him. The way Captain McVay was treated by the navy is reprehensible. Imagine how many lives could have been saved if the rescue tugs were not called back.

I found this book to be a "Good" read. Interesting and entertaining! Hunter Scott is an example of a real American hero! I read "In Harm's Way" recently and desired additional information, this book received high ratings from Amazon readers so I bought it. I liked the personnel stories of survival and equally interesting are the facts of the court martial and the journey to clear the name of the captain and crew.

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