

## American Historical Fiction – Beyond World War II: 1945 & Beyond



F BEZ

Bezdekova, Zdenka and Bednarova, Eva

**They Called Me Leni** [1973].

Following World War II a little German girl begins to suspect that she may have other origins as she tries to reconcile the many discrepancies of her life at home and at school.

F BUT

Butterworth, W. E.

**Orders to Vietnam: A Novel of Helicopter Warfare** [1968].

F CUR

Curtis, Christopher Paul

**The Watsons Go to Birmingham—1963** [1995].

The ordinary interactions and everyday routines of the Watsons, an African-American family living in Flint, Michigan, are drastically changed after they go to visit Grandma in Alabama in the summer of 1963.

F LOR

Lord, Bette and Simont, Marc

**In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson** [1984].

In 1947, a Chinese child comes to Brooklyn, where she starts to feel at home and make friends when she discovers baseball and the Brooklyn Dodgers.

F PAT

Paterson, Katherine

**Park's Quest** [1989, 1988].

Eleven-year-old Park makes some startling discoveries when he travels to his grandfather's farm in Virginia to learn about his father who died in the Vietnam War.

F REI

Reiff, Tana

**Boat People** [1989].

The story of the Nguyen family, who fled Vietnam hoping to build a better life somewhere else.

F REI

Reiff, Tana

**The Family from Vietnam** [1979].

Mai is separated from her husband during the fall of Saigon, and must take care of herself and her children once they arrive in America.

F SLO

Slote, Alfred

**Finding Buck McHenry** [1993,1991].

Eleven-year-old Jason, believing the school custodian Mack Henry to be Buck McHenry, a famous pitcher from the old Negro League, tries to enlist him as a coach for his Little League team by revealing his identity to the world.

F TES

Testa, Maria

**Almost Forever** [2003].

A young girl describes what she, her brother, and their mother do during the year that her doctor father is serving in the Army in Vietnam.

F UCH

Uchida, Yoshiko

**Journey Home** [1992,1978].

After their release from an American concentration camp, a Japanese-American girl and her family try to reconstruct their lives amidst strong anti-Japanese feelings which breed fear, distrust, and violence

F WHI

White, Ellen Emerson

**The Journal of Patrick Seamus Flaherty : United States Marine Corps** [2002].

An eighteen-year-old Marine records in a journal his experiences in Vietnam during the siege of Khe Sanh, 1967-1968. Includes a history of Vietnam, war timeline, glossary, and related military information. (My Name Is America Series).

F WHI

White, Ellen Emerson

**Where Have All the Flowers Gone? : The Diary of Molly MacKenzie Flaherty** [2002].

In 1968 Massachusetts, after her brother Patrick goes to fight in Vietnam, fifteen-year-old Molly records in her diary how she misses her brother, volunteers at a Veterans' Administration Hospital, and tries to make sense of the Vietnam War and tumultuous events in the United States. (Dear America Series)

F WOL

Wolff, Virginia Euwer

**Bat 6** [1998].

In small-town post-WW II Oregon, twenty-one 6th-grade girls recount the story of an annual softball game, during which one girl's bigotry comes to the surface.