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**Description:**

**From Publishers Weekly** Henderson, a retired Marine Corps officer, first told Hathcock's Vietnam-and-aftermath stories in his highly readable, highly hagiographic *Marine Sniper: 93 Confirmed Kills* (1986), which continues to be a favorite item at the PX. *Sniper* detailed how U.S. Marine Corps Sgt. Carlos J. Hathcock II used his uncanny marksmanship in Vietnam to record more than 300 hits, and how he dragged six of his unconscious buddies away from a burning tank. After an arduous recovery

from serious burns received then, Hathcock learned that he had multiple sclerosis. The disease he succumbed to last year. Henderson frames *Warrior* by imagining what Hathcock was thinking on his deathbed. Waves of imagined dialogue, based on interviews Henderson conducted with Hathcock and with a raft of witnesses to his heroics, crash through page after page. The voices of former Vietcong and North Vietnamese soldiers, including the late Tran Van Tra, who commanded VC forces in South Vietnam, fill things out, along with Henderson himself. What he and the others say is sure to add to the Hathcock mythos and will thrill buffs and ex- and current servicemen alike. But few other readers will be able to countenance the overheated style and lack of journalistic care in sourcing the story, although Hathcock was doubtless an exemplary soldier. After an initial burst from fans of *Sniper*, whose sales it will revive, this book will sell steadily but probably less prolifically than its predecessor. (Oct.)

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**About the Author** Charles Henderson is a veteran of more than twenty-three years in the United States Marine Corps, with a distinguished career spanning from Vietnam to the Gulf War, after which he retired as a Chief Warrant Officer. In addition to writing his own books and for various publications, he runs his family's cattle enterprise in Peyton, Colorado. His first book was critically acclaimed military classic **Marine Sniper**, which first chronicled the exploits of U.S.M.C. sniper **Carlos Hathcock**. He is also the author of **Marshalling the Faithful**.

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