Silent Running: A Novel Of The Pacific War (Crash Dive Book 2)
Lt. Charlie Harrison survived the horrors of Rabaul and the midnight battle with the Mizukaze. When he reports to Sabertooth at Pearl, he must contend with a crew that isn’t quite welcoming and an officer protecting a dire secret. While underway, the captain reveals the submarine’s mission—travel to the Japanese-occupied Philippines, deliver supplies to the Filipino guerillas, and bring American refugees home. When Sabertooth runs into Yosai, one of the big aircraft carriers that attacked Pearl Harbor, the mission changes. As disaster strikes, Charlie must take command and make the ultimate decision—get the refugees home, or risk everything on an all-or-nothing attack.

If you like a book that keeps you turning the pages, and a good yarn about the US Navy in WW11, then you’ll enjoy this book. The second in the series, thus book picks up Lt. Harrison as he reports to his new boat, the Sabertooth, a fleet submarine. He gets the cold shoulder because of his previous exploits in the first of the series but gradually gains the trust and respect of the officers and crew. Not one to sit back and wait, when off the coast of Mindanao waiting on the guerillas to show
up, Harrison instead goes ashore looking for them. The fire fight with the Japanese is the beginning of the intense action from there on. Picking up American survivors from Corregidor who had escaped to Mindanao and having the 21 men, women and children on board the cramped sub adds to the action. A good book if you enjoy WW11 tales.

A very ambitious but anxious US Navy Lt. In WWII deals with second rate equipment, third rate skippers as he attempts to do his duty. Oh yes, he leaves his girl as he departs & finds another in Japanese controlled Philippines. Will his risks ruin his career? Will he lose one or both girls? Will the torpedoes pose a threat to Japanese shipping? Gotta read this to find out. By the end of 1943 you may ask yourself: did we win this conflict or not?

I read the first book and I really liked that. When I found out that he was going to make a series of the adventures of Charlie, I am excited!!!! I read this one and loved it, it finished before I knew it ahhh. I did find some editing errors and a factual error-first anniversary of the Pearl Harbor attack was not Dec 7 1941, it didn’t stop me groom reading it. If you like historical fiction, submarine thrillers then this book is fly you

I’m writing this review in place of my wife since I used her Kindle account but my own Kindle book reader to read Silent Running which makes it handy to read some of her books and her to read some of mine. Thanks to for making this possible. Now for my review. The book was non-stop action from start to finish and a great read. The author made me feel like I was actually in the story right along side the crew of the Sabertooth. I have never read a book that affected my emotions (I am a U.S. Army veteran) and I’ve never felt so involved in the action of the boat and the wondering of what would be the destiny of the Sabertooth. Thank you Craig DiLouie for a great story. I’ve also read his other book "Crash Dive". I thought THAT book was spellbinding but Silent Running was even better. I hope Mr. DiLouie continues to supply more of his writings soon. I'll be watching and waiting for more stories from this great author.

Crash Dive and its sequel Silent Running are WW2 submarine action stories. The protagonist Lt. Charlie Harrison is a bit gung ho but likeable nonetheless. The stories are well written and well researched historically. Since I am not all that familiar with submarines (from any era) I cannot attest to the accuracy of the technical references except to say the author seems to have done his homework there as well. Crash Dive takes place in the battle for Guadalcanal in October of 1942
while Silent Running takes place around the Philippines in December of 1942. Both books are quick and easy reads. It's mostly character development and action with very little filler material. I enjoyed both books and would highly recommend. According to the author's note he is working on a third book to the series, which is scheduled for late 2016.

I really enjoy military fiction. I particularly enjoy it when the author is able to bring the story alive in the reader's mind. Craig DiLouie accomplishes that in this series. I feel that I have gotten to know Charlie Harrison in a way that I care what happens to him. I also hope we have not seen the last of Braddock...even though I don't like him.


I've stood on the pier in Groton and watched black hulled nukes head out to sea wondering what they were going to do...This story gives a glimpse of what THEY do and what submariners have done since the beginning of the service. It takes a special kind of warrior!

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