



PT 109: An American Epic of War, Survival, and the Destiny of John F. Kennedy (Hardback)

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William Morrow Company, 2015. Hardback. Condition: New. Language: English. Brand New Book. The extraordinary World War II story of shipwreck and survival that paved John F. Kennedy s path to power? hailed as a ?breathtaking account? by James Patterson, ?masterfully written? by historian Douglas Brinkley, and ?the finest book? ever written on the subject by Lt. Commander William Liebenow, the man who rescued JFK and the PT 109 crew in August 1943. In the early morning darkness of August 2, 1943, during a chaotic nighttime skirmish amid the Solomon Islands, the Japanese destroyer Amagiri barreled through thick fog and struck the U.S. Navy s motor torpedo boat PT 109, splitting the craft nearly in half and killing two American sailors instantly. The sea erupted in flames as the 109 s skipper, John F. Kennedy, and the ten surviving crewmen under his command desperately clung to the sinking wreckage; 1,200 feet of ink-black, shark-infested water loomed beneath. All hands lost, came the reports back to the Americans base: no rescue was coming for the men of PT 109. Their desperate ordeal was just beginning?so too was one of the most remarkable tales of World War II, one whose astonishing afterlife would...



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