



## USS Bunker Kills: A Sea Story (Paperback)

By James C McCullagh

Createspace, United States, 2014. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*. USS Bunker Kills: A Sea Story is an historical, coming-of-age novel about a British immigrant, Neil Strikker, who joins the American Navy during the height of the Vietnam War. The ammunition ship that carries hundreds of tons of ordnance to be dropped on North Vietnam serves as a microcosm of the racial, social and anti-war tensions present at the time. These themes play out during the cruise, aggravated by the presence of an arsonist on board and extreme racial unrest. The ship s movement is from west to east; the novel s movement is from the comedic to the tragic, with the captain, something of a bumbler, stumbling from success to success until the Bunker engages in a firefight with North Vietnamese torpedo boats in the Tonkin Gulf. Of the dead and wounded, most are sailors of color. Bunker Kills is a sea story in the original sense of the term. Since men have been going to sea, they have been telling sea stories or yarns. While there is this element in the novel, especially about young men s sexual adventures, here...



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