# Passchendaele 1917: A Harrowing Tale of the Great War's Most Brutal Battle

In the annals of the Great War, few battles are as notorious as Passchendaele. Fought over a period of three months in late 1917, the battle was a bloody stalemate that claimed the lives of hundreds of thousands of British, German, and Allied soldiers.



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In his gripping and harrowing book, Passchendaele 1917, historian Tom Feiling provides a vivid and unflinching account of this brutal conflict. Drawing on a wealth of primary sources, including firsthand accounts from soldiers on both sides, Feiling brings to life the horrors of trench warfare, the courage of the soldiers, and the devastating impact of the conflict on both sides.

The Battle of Passchendaele was fought in the Ypres Salient, a narrow strip of land in Belgium that had been the scene of intense fighting since the early days of the war. The British had launched a series of offensives in the

Ypres Salient in 1917, but they had all failed to break through the German lines. In July 1917, the British launched a new offensive, with the goal of capturing the town of Passchendaele.

The offensive began with a massive artillery bombardment that lasted for weeks. The bombardment turned the ground into a quagmire, making it difficult for the British troops to advance. The German troops, meanwhile, were well-prepared for the attack. They had built a series of strong defenses, and they were determined to hold their ground.

The fighting at Passchendaele was some of the most intense of the entire war. The British troops were forced to advance through a sea of mud and shell craters. The German troops fought back with grim determination. The battle became a bloody stalemate, with neither side able to gain any significant ground.

By the end of October 1917, the British had finally captured Passchendaele. But the victory came at a terrible cost. The British had lost over 200,000 men in the battle. The German losses were also heavy, with over 150,000 men killed or wounded.

The Battle of Passchendaele was a major turning point in the Great War. It showed that the British were not able to break through the German lines in the Ypres Salient. It also showed that the war was becoming increasingly costly and bloody. The battle had a profound impact on the British public, who began to question the war's purpose and the government's competence.

Tom Feiling's Passchendaele 1917 is a masterful account of one of the most brutal battles of the Great War. Feiling's vivid prose and meticulous

research bring to life the horrors of trench warfare, the courage of the soldiers, and the devastating impact of the conflict on both sides.

Passchendaele 1917 is a must-read for anyone interested in the Great War and its lasting legacy.

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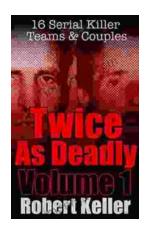
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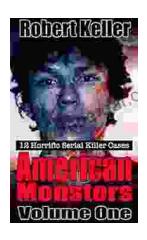
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