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This check from the Edgar School District is a family donation, along with my ~~check~~ check for a Marathon County veteran in memory of our WWII veteran father and ~~POW~~ POW Eugene P. Moran of Soldiers Grove, WI.

He is now the subject of the book entitled Tailspin. (Available @ Zehnke's) I believe ALL veterans will enjoy this NONFICTION account of Dad's WWII journey and PTSD. Dad was honored to be an Honor Flight veteran out

of the La Crosse Airport when the H. Flights first began.

The children of Eugene P. Moran (Gene) offer this opportunity to another veteran of Marathon County. Enjoy!! We ALL thank this veteran for all service and sacrifices.

Respectfully submitted,
Joni (Moran) Peterson
(#4 of 9 siblings)
on behalf of our family
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"Tailspin unveils the twin stories of two remarkable, resilient men facing the biggest trials of their lives. More than a war story, it's a universal story of family. I highly recommend this book filled with truth and compassion."
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"The story of how these two men's lives dovetail in unexpected ways makes for a powerful story that should be on the shelves of not just World War II collections, but men's relationship literature and any library collection where stories of friendship and connection are valued."

- D. Donovan

Senior Reviewer, Midwest Book Review

During World War II, tail gunner Gene Moran fell four miles through the sky without a parachute and lived. Captured by the Germans, he survived a harrowing eighteen months as a prisoner of war, including a six-hundred-mile death march in 1945 across Central Europe.

When Gene returned home, he kept those memories locked up for nearly seventy years. When John Armbruster, a young history teacher, learns of Gene's amazing fall, he's desperate to learn more. Finally, Gene agrees to tell his story.

So begins a series of "Thursdays with Gene" interviews. As the interviews go on, John faces an ordeal of his own. His wife is fighting brain cancer.

Tailspin is more than a war story. It's a story of two men's separate journeys confronting trauma and loss.

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