

# **Custer's Gatling Guns**

## **What If He Had Taken His Machine Guns to the Little Big Horn?**

by Donald F. Myers

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### Book Description

Never before has a historically accurate novel telling of the day-to-day journey to the Little Big Horn featuring interesting characters been written, including the Gatling Gun Battery commander and his men.

Custer takes his three Gatling Guns with him instead of leaving them at the Yellowstone River. The author, a retired Marine, came up with a plausible solution of how the heavy machine guns could have moved with the 7<sup>th</sup> Cavalry without slowing it down through rough terrain.

The book has a "what if" flavor from beginning to the dramatic ending that any history buff will enjoy. A rip-roaring tale of the 1870's.

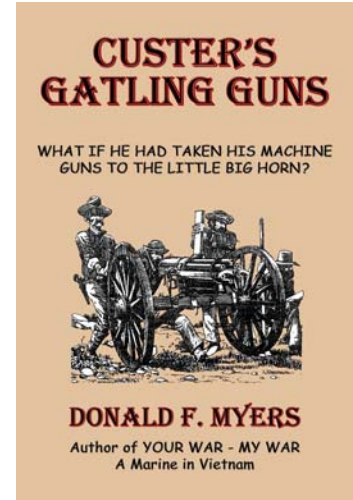
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