

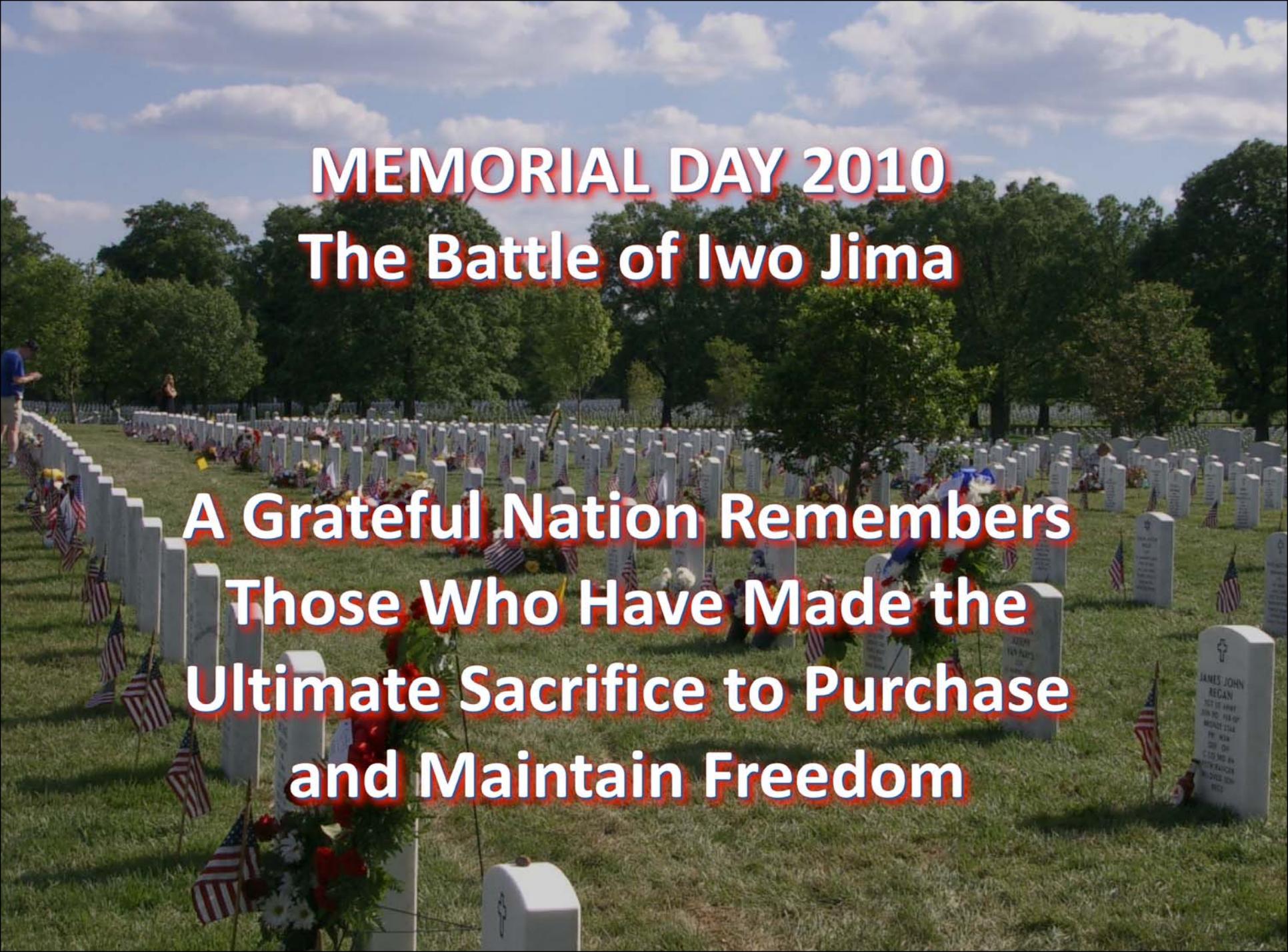
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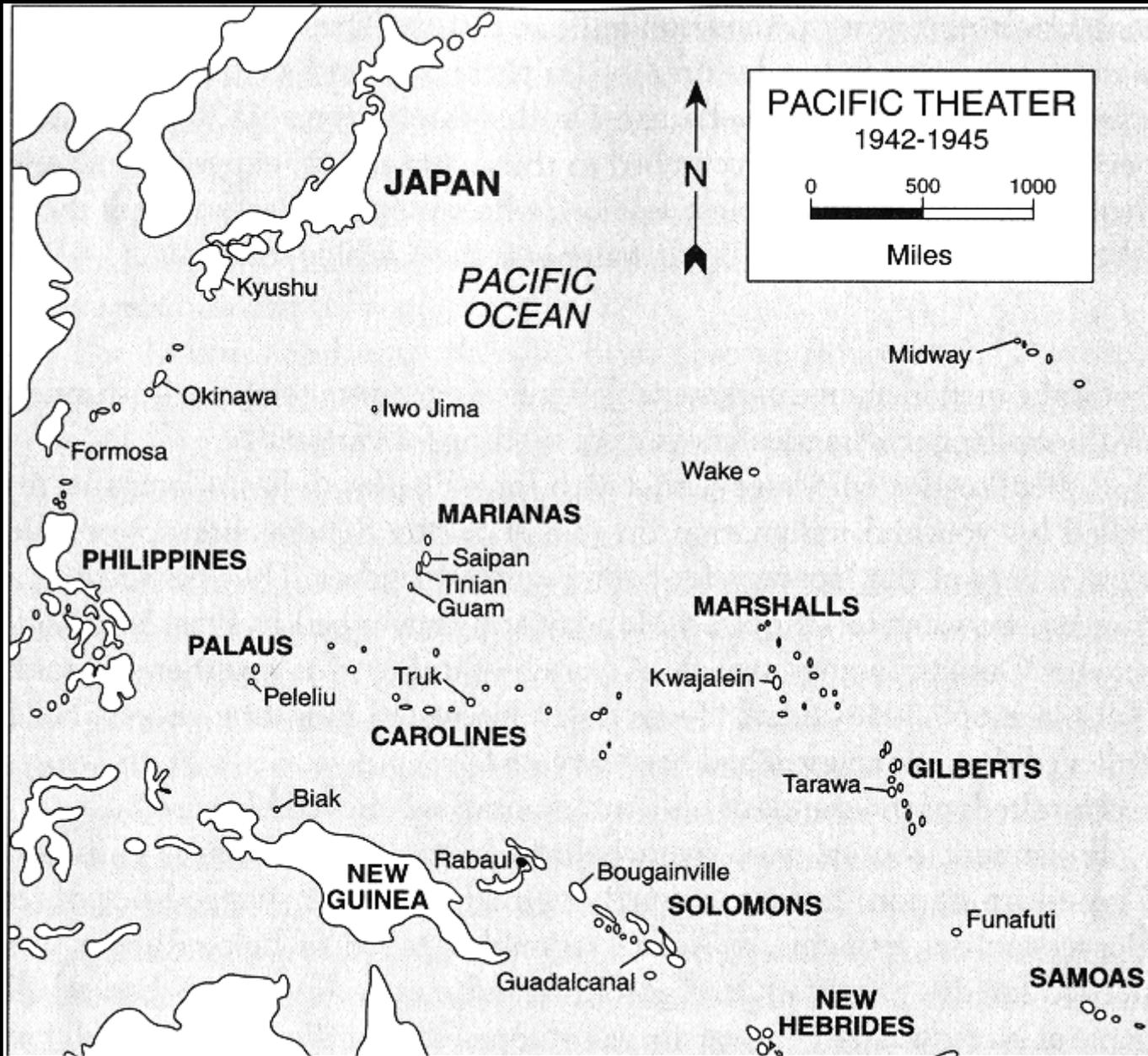
**MEMORIAL DAY 2010**  
**The Battle of Iwo Jima**

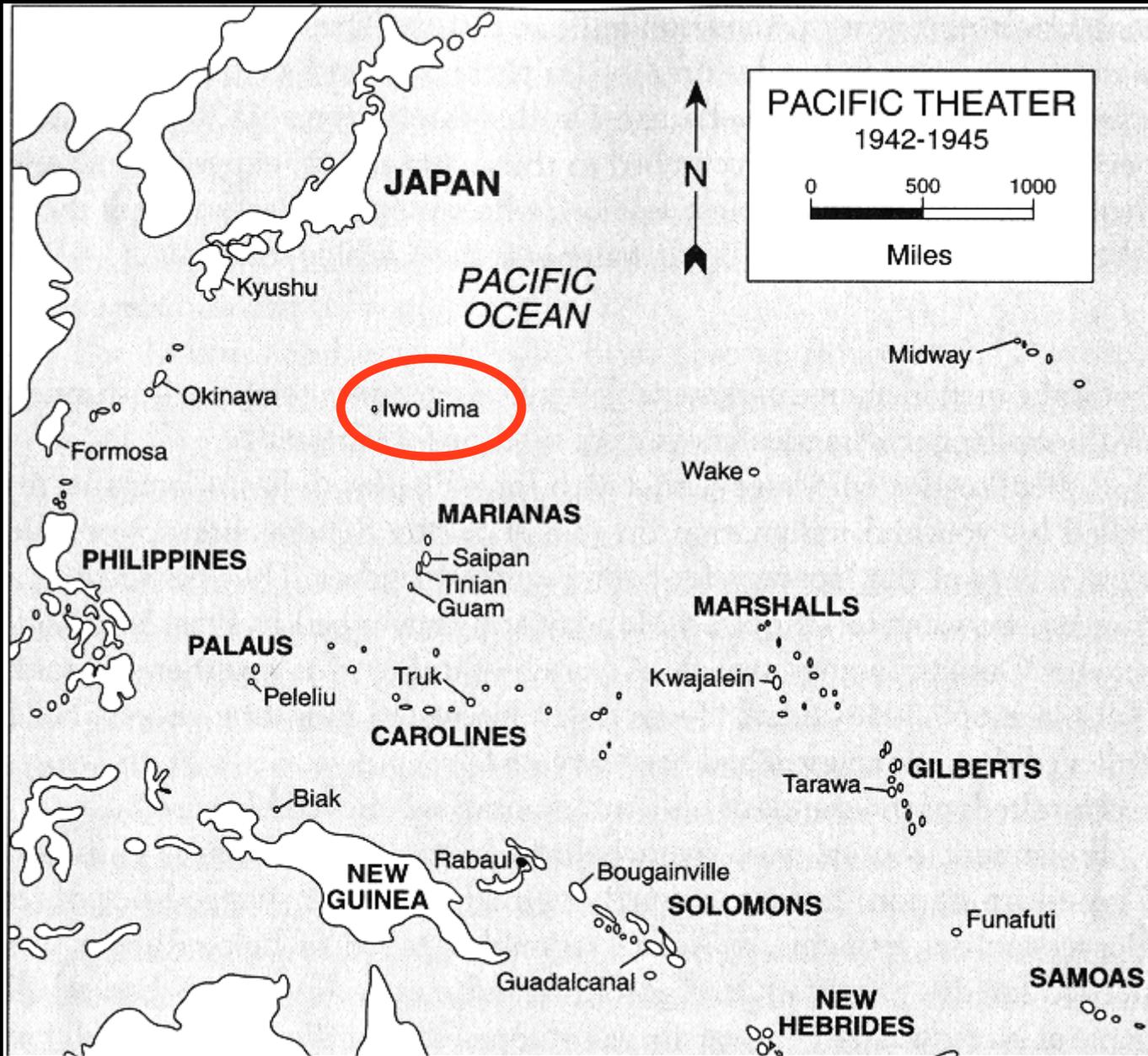
**A Grateful Nation Remembers  
Those Who Have Made the  
Ultimate Sacrifice to Purchase  
and Maintain Freedom**

**“War is an ugly thing, but not the ugliest of things; the decayed and degraded state of moral and patriotic feeling which thinks nothing is worth war is much worse. A man who has nothing for which he is willing to fight, nothing he cares about more than his own personal safety, is a miserable creature who has no chance of being free, unless made and kept so by the exertions of better men than himself.”**

**—J.S. Mill**

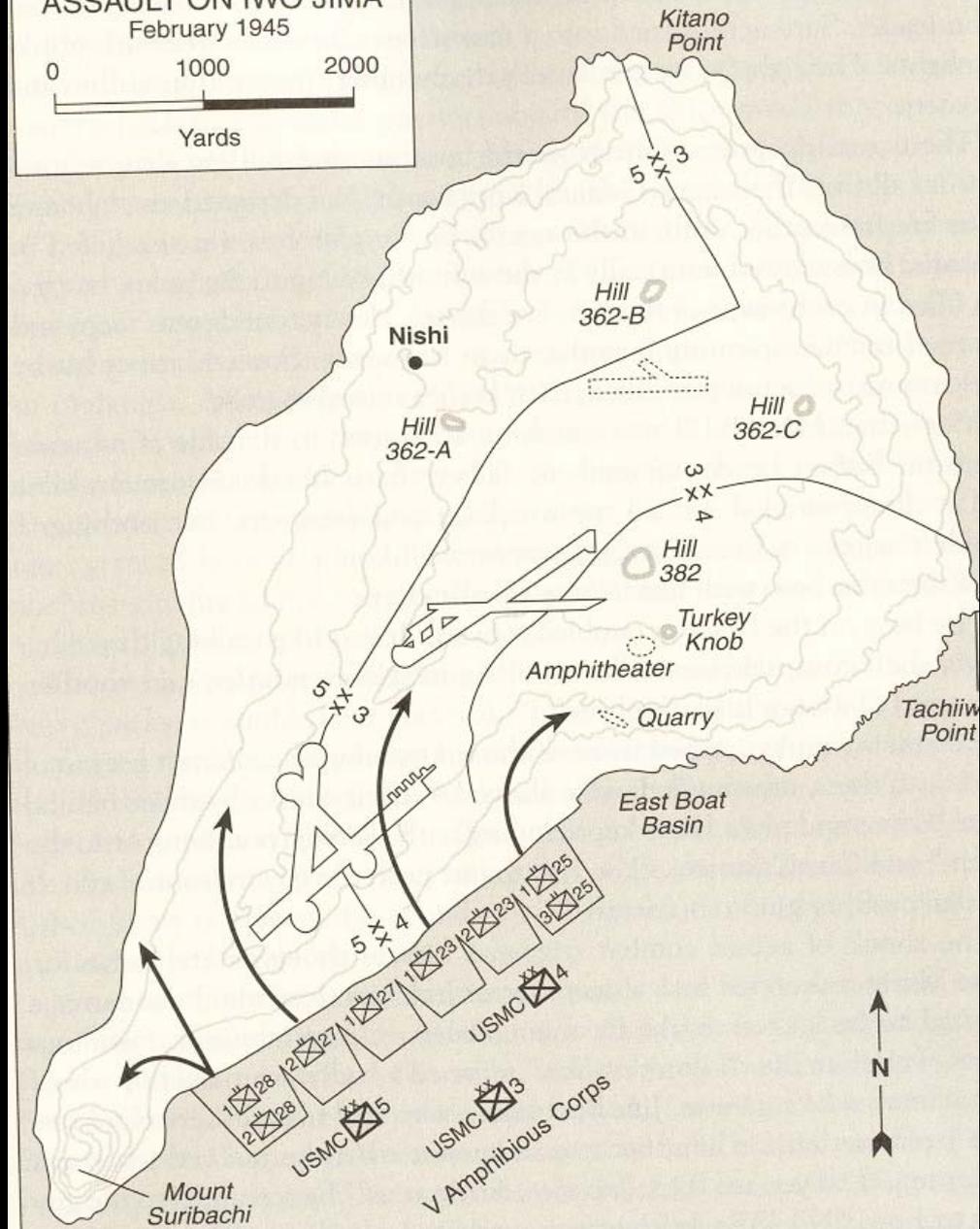
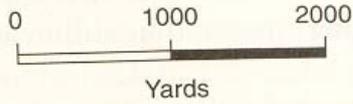
**“Remember the LORD, who is great and awesome and fight for your brethren, your sons, and your daughters, your wives, and your houses,” Neh. 4:14**





# ASSAULT ON IWO JIMA

February 1945



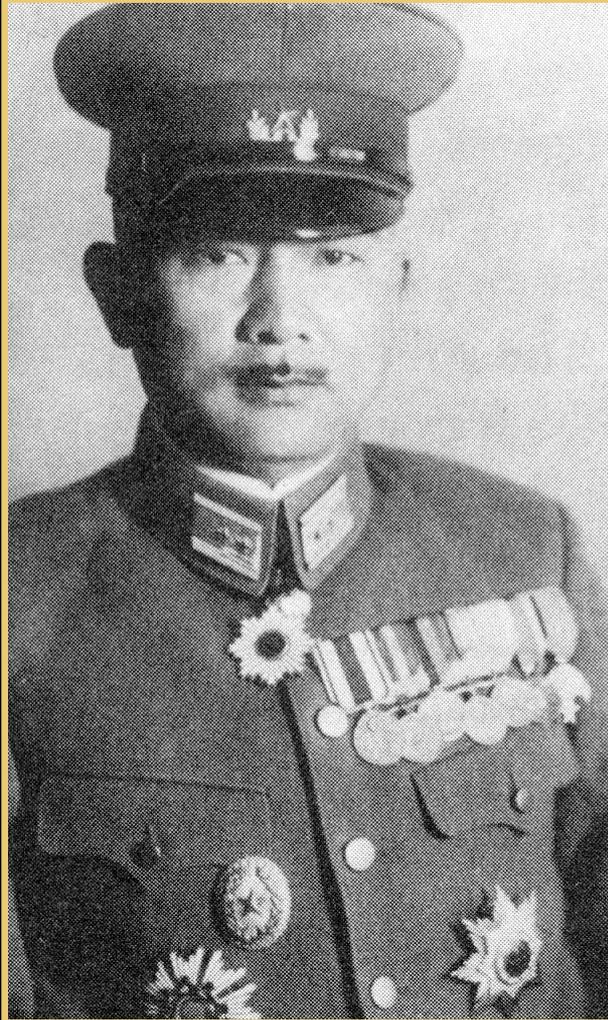
# LT. GEN. TADAMICHI KURIBAYASHI

## The VOW:

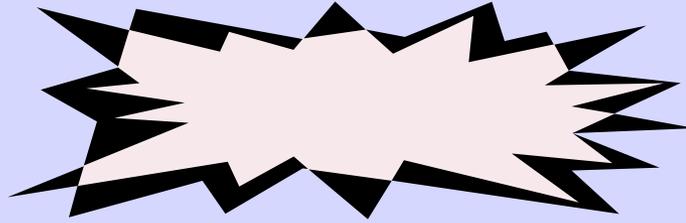
“We are here to defend this island to the limit of our strength. . . We cannot allow ourselves to be captured by the enemy. If our positions are overrun, we will take bombs and grenades and throw ourselves under the tanks to destroy them. . . **No man must die until he has killed at least ten Americans.** We will harass the enemy with guerilla actions until the last of us has perished. Long live the emperor!”

## To his wife:

“This island is the front line that defends our mainland, and I am going to die here.”

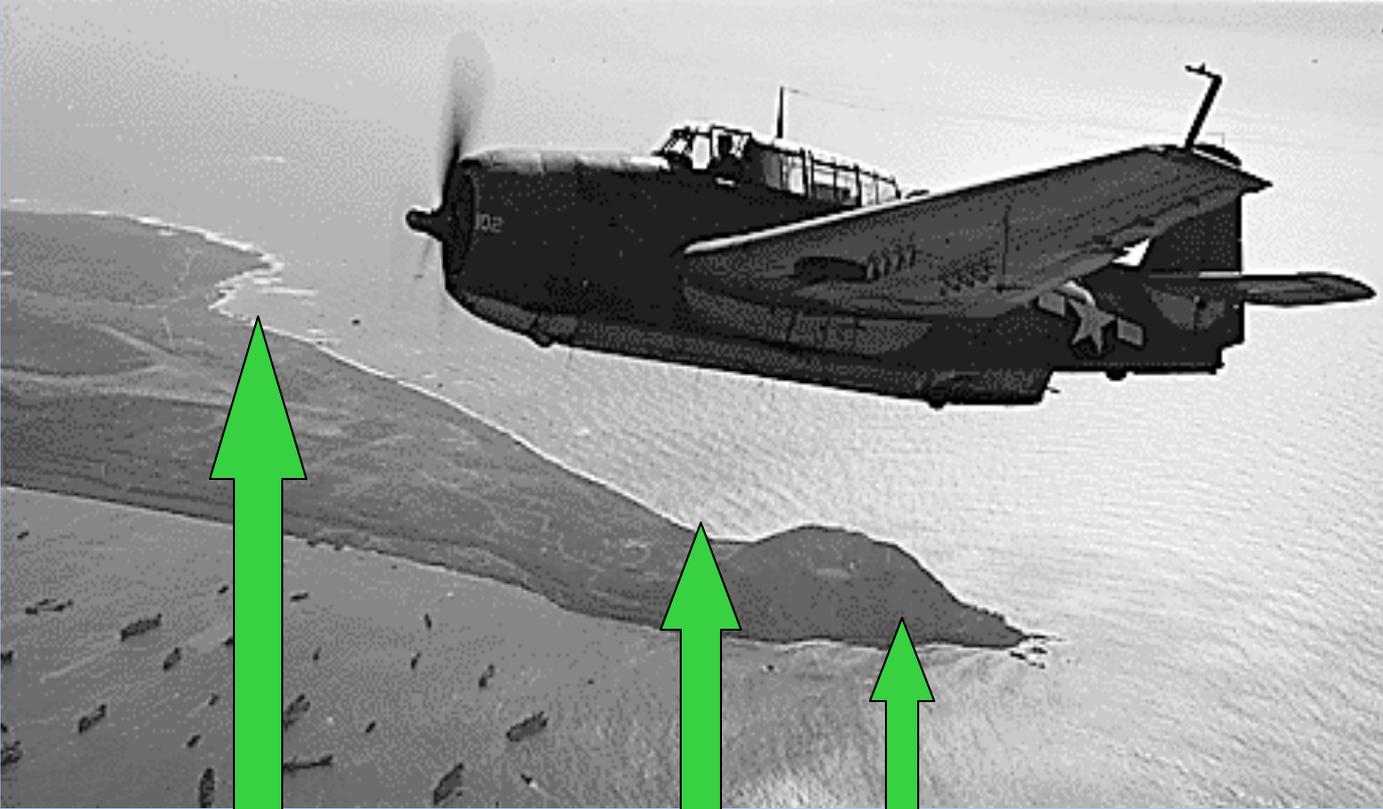


# THEMES OF IWO JIMA BATTLE



- Must Face **Total Conflict** with No Quarter

# 72 DAYS and 5700 TONS of bombs dropped



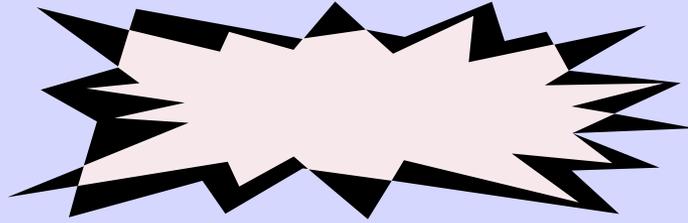
Landing  
Zones

Mt. Suribachi

**2 Cor. 10:4, “for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses.**

**2 Cor. 10:5, “We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ,”**

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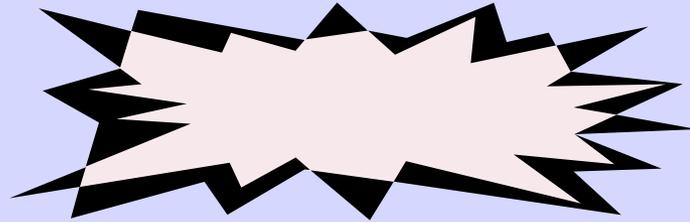
# Example of a “Pillbox” – one of over 750 constructed



Jim Bradley, author and son of John Bradley

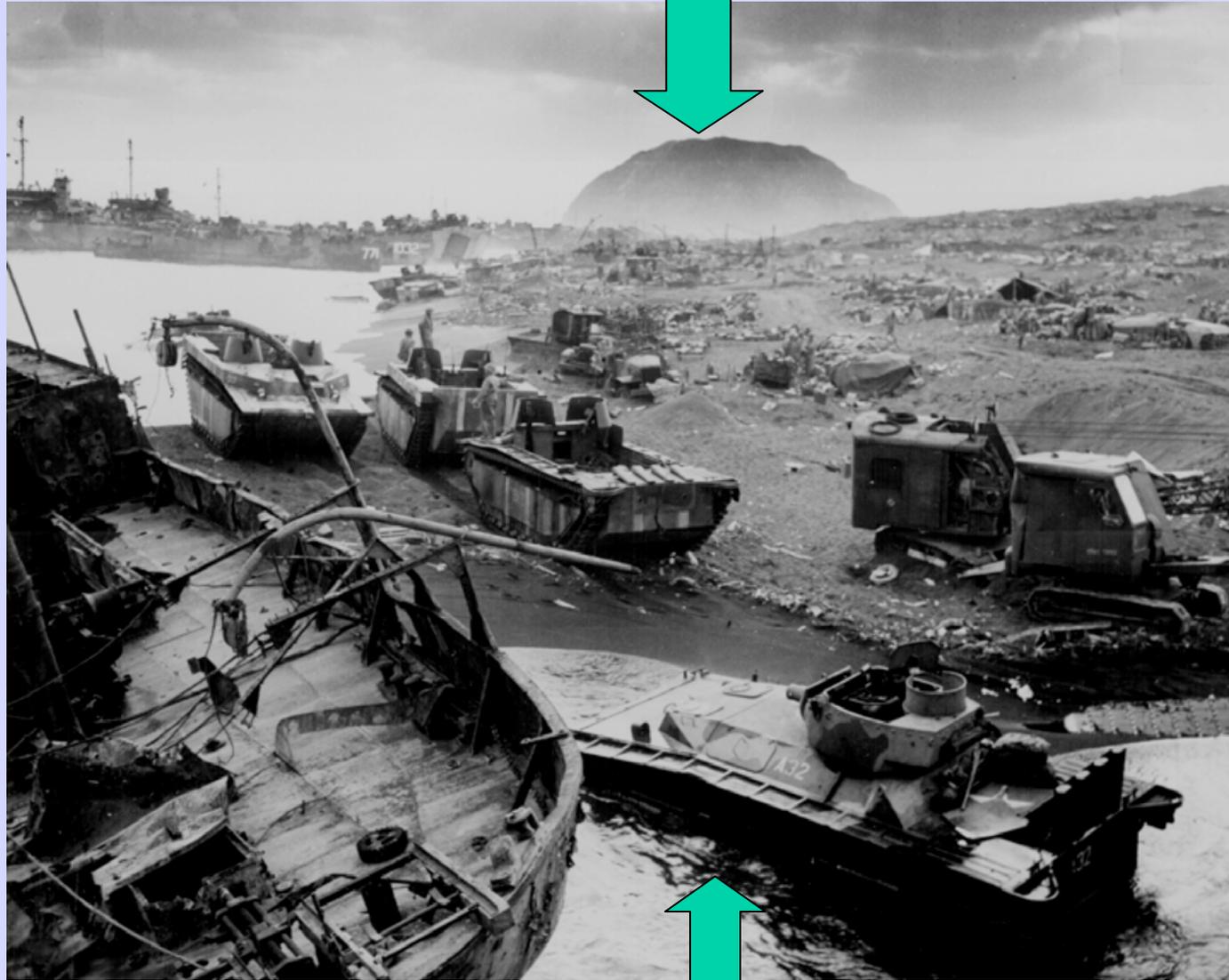
Mrs. Bradley

# THEMES OF IWO JIMA BATTLE



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# Mt. Suribachi fortress firing at Marines

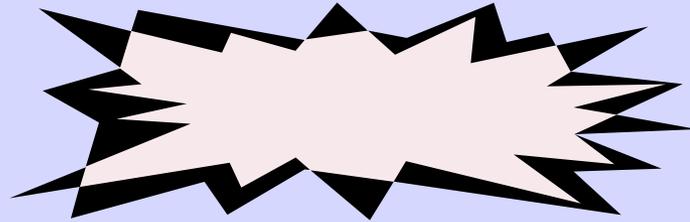


Loose volcanic ash/sand provides no cover for landing force.

# Control of the Beach LZ from the High Ground



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**Heb. 12:2, “looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”**

**1 Pet. 3:22, “who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, angels and authorities and powers having been made subject to Him.”**



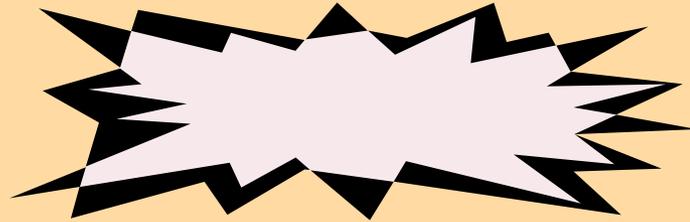
**SHRANK:** “Col. Johnson wants this big flag run up high so every s. . .o. . .b on this whole cruddy island can see it.”

**BRADLEY:** “There wasn’t one out of the forty of us who expected to make it. We all figured the Japanese would open up from caves all the way up to the crater.”

“Follow me and I’ll try to bring all of you home.”  
–Sgt. Mike Strank



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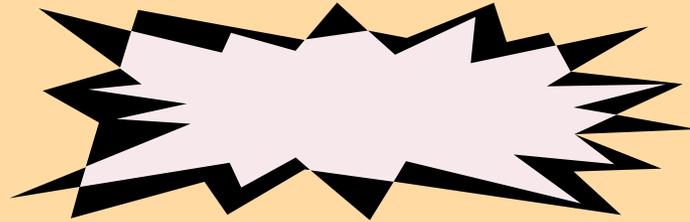
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CASUALTIES: 6,821 dead; 19,217 wounded during the 36 days of battle



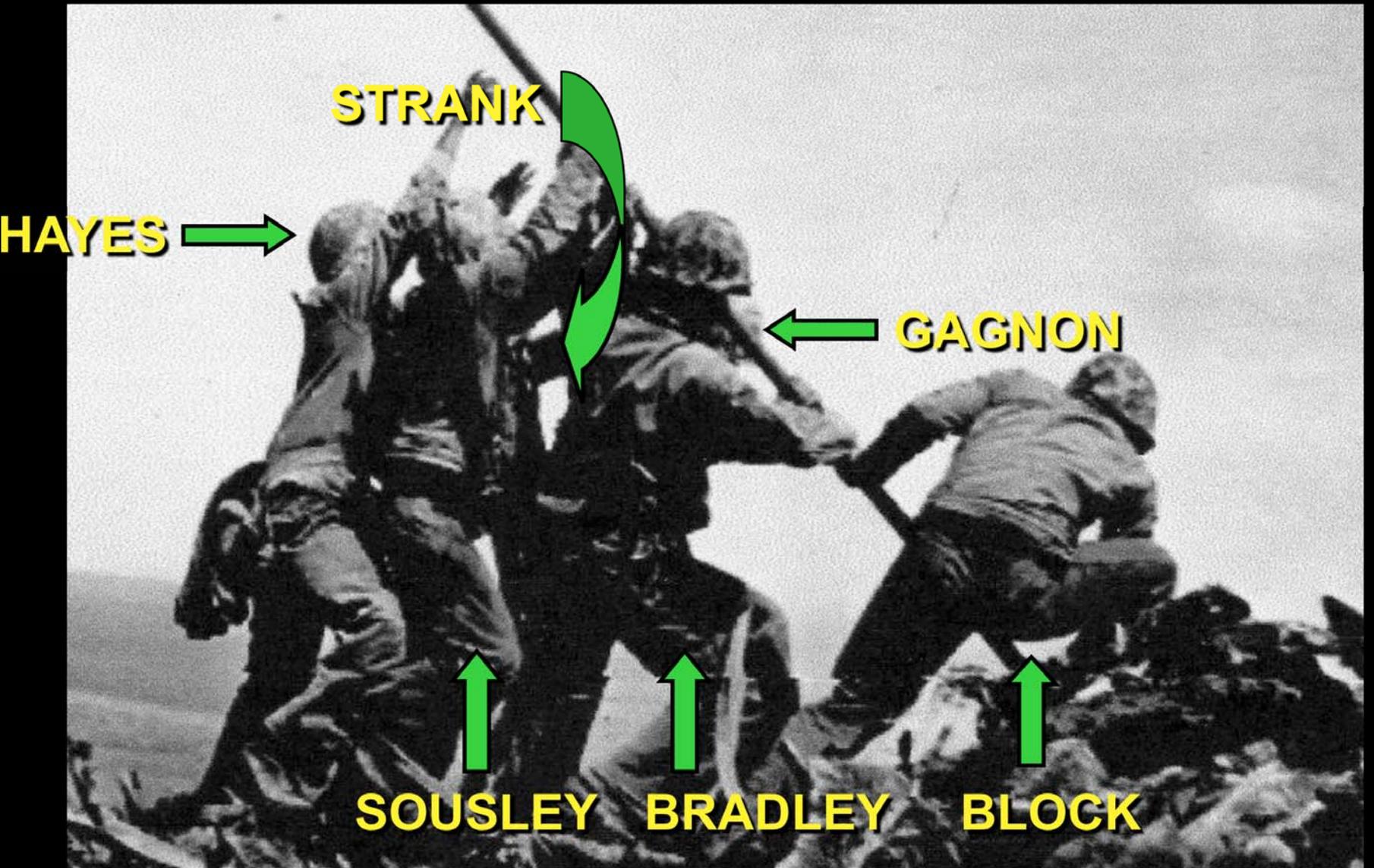
“Most of the 22,000 defenders fought to the death.”

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# February 23, 1945. . . Morning. . . Mt. Suribachi



**2 Chronicles 29:21, “And they brought seven bulls, seven rams, seven lambs, and seven male goats for a sin offering for the kingdom, for the sanctuary, and for Judah. Then he commanded the priests, the sons of Aaron, to offer them on the altar of the LORD.”**

**2 Chronicles 29:32, “The number of the burnt offerings which the assembly brought was 70 bulls, 100 rams, and 200 lambs; all these were for a burnt offering to the Lord.**

**2 Chronicles 29:33, “The consecrated things were 600 bulls and 3,000 sheep.”**

**2 Chronicles 29:34, “But the priests were too few, so that they were unable to skin all the burnt offerings; therefore their brothers the Levites helped them until the work was completed and until the other priests had consecrated themselves. For the Levites were more conscientious to consecrate themselves than the priests.”**

**2 Chronicles 30:24, “For Hezekiah king of Judah gave to the assembly a thousand bulls and seven thousand sheep, and the leaders gave to the assembly a thousand bulls and ten thousand sheep; and a great number of priests sanctified themselves.”**

**John 8:31, “Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, ‘If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed.**

**John 8:32, “ ‘And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.’ ”**

**John 8:33, “They answered Him, ‘We are Abraham’s descendants, and have never been in bondage to anyone. How can You say, “You will be made free”?’**

**John 8:34, “Jesus answered them, ‘Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin.’ ”**

**John 8:35, “And a slave does not abide in the house forever, but a son abides forever.**

**John 8:36, “Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.”**

**Heb. 9:22, “And according to the law almost all things are purified with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no remission.”**

**Gal. 5:1, “It was for freedom that Christ set us free; therefore keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery.”**