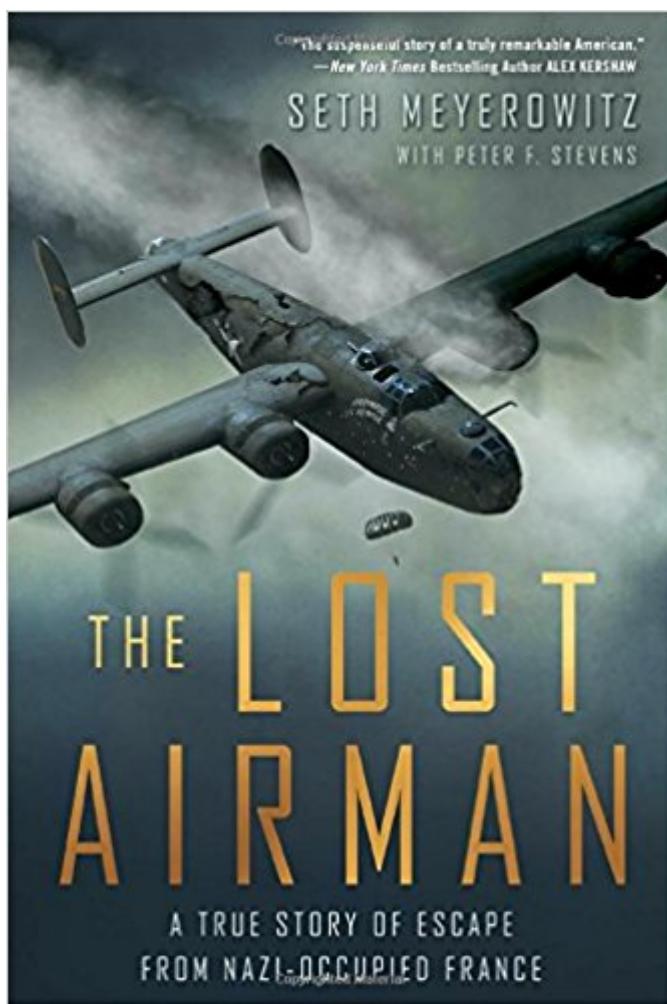


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The Lost Airman: A True Story Of Escape From Nazi-Occupied France



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For fans of *Unbroken*, the remarkable, untold story of World War II American Air Force turret-gunner Staff Sergeant Arthur Meyerowitz, who was shot down over Nazi-occupied France and evaded Gestapo pursuers for more than six months before escaping to freedom. Bronx-born top turret-gunner Arthur Meyerowitz was one of only two crewmen who escaped death or immediate capture on the ground, when their plane was shot down near Cognac, France, in 1943. After fleeing the wreck, Arthur knocked on the door of an isolated farmhouse, whose owners hastily took him in. Fortunately, his hosts had a tight connection to the French resistance group Morhange and its founder, Marcel Taillandier, who arranged for Arthur's transfers among safe houses in southern France, shielding him from the Gestapo. Based on recently declassified material, exclusive personal interviews, and extensive research into the French Resistance, *The Lost Airman* tells the tense and riveting story of Arthur's hair-raising journey to freedom—a true story of endurance, perseverance, and escape during World War II. INCLUDES PHOTOGRAPHS AND MAP

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"The Lost Airman tells the suspenseful story of a truly remarkable American, shot down over enemy occupied territory in World War II, who amazingly managed to stay a step ahead of the Nazis for over six months and get back home. A terrific, thrilling tale you won't want to miss." —Alex Kershaw, New York Times bestselling author of *Avenue of Spies* and *The Liberator* "The Lost Airman is a deeply researched, finely wrought gem. The story

of Staff Sergeant Arthur Meyerowitz's harrowing struggle to escape from Nazi-infested France across the snow-bound Pyrenees to Spain will haunt you long after you've put this riveting book down. The courage, quick wits, and sheer guts displayed by Meyerowitz and the men and women of the French Resistance who gambled their lives to help him are simply extraordinary.

•Jack Cheevers, author of *Act of War*, Winner of the Samuel Eliot Morison Award for Naval Literature

Seth Meyerowitz, the grandson of U.S. Air Force Staff Sergeant Arthur Meyerowitz, is a web entrepreneur and the president of a global online marketing company. After traveling the United States speaking on behalf of Google for its Get Your Business Online program, his web and marketing savvy allowed him to unearth the declassified saga of his grandfather.

Peter F. Stevens is an editor, journalist, and author of eleven books

Waited for a vacation to read this book so I would be able to maximize my free time, and I was not disappointed! What a fabulous read! Did not want to put it down. This is a movie waiting to be produced. From the beginning to end it was nonstop action as there was intrigue behind every door and in every step from flight take off all the way to safety in Gibraltar. Even though you know the eventual outcome it was a miracle that a human being could survive the treachery and conditions that Arthur Meyerowitz had to endure. And I learned so much more about the brave individuals in France and Spain resisting the tyranny of the Gestapo as well as the collaborators who supported them. A must read for anyone interested in WWII, adventure, and intrigue. Edge of your seat action, too!

I was totally enthralled by this book. I couldn't put it down. It gave me a better understanding of what the war was like for people around the world and what the folks back home went through. Thank you for the education. Bravo!

Wow! I'm totally speechless!!! This book is a true work of art. The story itself is thrilling and keeps you on the edge of your seat. Although it's filled with tons of facts from the WWII period, the story itself flows from one event to the next seamlessly as if a grandparent were telling you a first hand account of their experience. I found myself constantly checking the sources because I was so interested in where the information came from. You can tell the author did his research with facts from the archives to the more personal family accounts. The photos also make the story come to life

and put a face to those you're reading about. Definitely a must read in my opinion!

This book was very well written and also an enjoyable story. It is a true story of an American on a B-24 shot down over Nazi occupied France in WWII. Even though you know that Arthur makes it out of France and gets home, I felt the story kept you on the edge of your seat waiting for the final outcome. It was an interesting story about Arthur, but then a really great story about the brave men and women of the French Resistance during WWII. Even though my family had members who participated in WWII and my father-in-law was shot down on a bombing run over Germany in a B-17 and was a POW, I would have still found this book interesting enough to purchase and read.

I was in a group in one of my college classes that was chosen to read this book and I'm so very glad I was! This story made me want to stop all my other classwork just to keep reading and find out more and more about what happened to Arthur on this incredible journey. This book can be read by any gender, age and just a person who loves a good story. The triumph and human struggle that this book highlights is one that makes you want the best for the character and his safe arrival back to the states. With this being a declassified story and one about family it hits all your heart strings and makes you think about your loved ones the whole way through. I highly recommend this book as a good read for yourself or a gift for someone else. Get it and pass it along, you won't regret it!Written by: Alexa Verra (from Marc Adler's marketing class on 12/14/16)

I had only read historical fiction about WW11 before The Lost Airman. This true story grabs your attention from the very beginning and keeps it right until the end. The author is the grandson of Arthur Meyerowitz whose fighter jet was shot down by the Nazis. The stamina Arthur maintained throughout his months of escape is nothing short of amazing. The help and kindness he received from people in the French Resistance is heart warming. The book is well written and contains an exhaustive amount of research along with a long list of references that document the facts. On a personal note, it made me wish (once again) that I had thought to ask my dad about his experiences in WW11.

This book was a great read. Even though it is non-fiction it reads like an adventure novel and would make an excellent movie. Not only does it portray the perils suffered by Sargent Meyerowitz and other downed flyers in occupied France during World War II but it also gave me a new perspective on the French Resistance and the French people themselves. In short, I found it well written,

interesting and informative not to mention the question in my mind; "Would I have the courage and stamina shown by these men in that situation?"

Seth came to my school for an assembly to help children understand his family's history as well as the bravery of the French people. I loved the assembly and bought the book. It's so well written. Reads like non fiction suspense novel. Characters (real!!) are so interesting. You are pulling for everyone and are crushed when someone is caught/ killed by Gestapo. Great book. Has made me so interested in reading more about the amazing French Resistance! Thank you!

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