

Part 1

Clark Dougan found his turning point as a young college student fresh out of high school, on Memorial Day, 1968, after reading an article on his former classmate, Greg Fischer whom he believed he would be drafted because he was not going on to college, joined the marines, which he believed was the best branch of the service. The article was a story of the 19-year-old Greg Fischer who had been killed at Dong Ha in Vietnam. The article that was written was directed toward the American readers on why send our young over to a war and risk getting them killed. Clark realized it could have easily been him killed in the war if he had gone. Although, he only briefly knew his classmate, reading of his death dealt him a heavy blow, as it really hit close to home. Clark admits to never having felt any guilt about not going to war, but did end up writing a series of books on the war later in life. Clark believed it was after the article on Greg, that "Middle America" started turning against the war, and I have the feeling from reading Clark's story that this was his also.

Part 2

George Evans struggled with his end of the war. Here is a man who had grown up with veteran, helping the veterans, and hanging out with them and his father. His best friend had been killed in the war. After George had spent time in the military in Africa, he eventually ended up in Vietnam. After months of being in Vietnam, he realized he did not believe the war was good, so he decided to become a sort of a rebel, and stopped shaving, cutting his hair, and started making posters against the war. This I believe is where his end of the war for him was beginning. He had started to refuse orders, and when he was asked to sign a paper stating his guilt, and take the Article 15, he refused. Knowing he was about to be court-martialed, he took his R and R that was due him and went to Australia. There he met a group of hippies, and other deserters, and liked the life they were living, and came very close to deserting himself. That would have been his easy ending to the war, if he had deserted, but instead he went back to face the court-martial. This man's ending came about after witnessing kids being run over by trucks in a "game", and seeing things that went on he did not believe in, and being in a war he did not believe in anymore.

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