

David Halberstam

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Memory is often less about the truth than about what we want it to be.

~David Halberstam

One of the things I learned, the easiest of lessons, was that the better you do your job, often going against conventional mores, the less popular you are likely to be.

~David Halberstam

I have a great faith in the strength and the resilience in the American people.

~David Halberstam

What looked safe was not safe. What looked hard and unsafe was probably safer. Anyway, safe was somewhere else in the world.

~David Halberstam

Being a professional means doing your job on the days you don't want to do it

~David Halberstam

The most dangerous thing about power is to employ it where it is not applicable.

~David Halberstam

A staff can be no better than the man it serves.

~David Halberstam

Nixon, who spent much of his career attacking the press and saying he was a victim of the press, was in fact created by the press, in this case the L.A. Times.

~David Halberstam

If there is anything that is important to America, it is that you are not a prisoner of the past.

~David Halberstam

The truth posed a great dilemma for a man who always had to be right, and yet, for all his grandeur, was often wrong.

~David Halberstam

This was the mark of an uncommon soldier, someone whose courage away from the battlefield was the same as that on it.

~David Halberstam

These days there's all too much coverage of pseudo-events about extraordinarily inauthentic people doing inauthentic things.

~David Halberstam

Sometimes the best virtue learned on the battlefield is modesty.

~David Halberstam

With the marketing pressures driving the book world today, it's much easier to get the author of a memoir on a television show than a serious novelist.

~David Halberstam

There's a great quote by Julius Irving that went, 'Being a professional is doing the things you love to do, on the days you don't feel like doing them.'

~David Halberstam

QUESTION: Do you know what the greatest test is? ANSWER: Do you still get excited about what you do when you get up in the morning?

~David Halberstam

No publisher in America improved a paper so quickly on so grand a scale, took a paper that was marginal in qualities and brought it to excellence as Otis Chandler did.

~David Halberstam

Always stay in with the outs.

~David Halberstam

Few sports has as great a disparity between the time committed in practice and time actually spent in game or race conditions.

~David Halberstam

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