

# Ernie Pyle

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*War, Soldier, Literature, Military, Thinking, Two, Dark, World, Fire, Funny, Lines,  
Struggle, Peace, Fighting, Night, Gun, Battle, Break Out, Fleas, Bees*

Our artillery has really been sensational. For once we have enough of something and at the right time. Officers tell me they actually have more guns than they know what to do with.

~Ernie Pyle

War makes strange giant creatures out of us little routine men who inhabit the earth.

~Ernie Pyle

Thoughts are wonderful things, that they can bring two people, so far apart, into harmony and understanding for even a little while.

~Ernie Pyle

Say what you will, nothing can make a complete soldier except battle experience.

~Ernie Pyle

I've been immersed in it too long. My spirit is wobbly and my mind is confused. The hurt has become too great.

~Ernie Pyle

Below us the Thames grew lighter, and all around below were the shadows - the dark shadows of buildings and bridges that formed the base of this dreadful masterpiece.

~Ernie Pyle

For me war has become a flat, black depression without highlights, a revulsion of the mind and an exhaustion of the spirit.

~Ernie Pyle

If you go long enough without a bath, even the fleas will let you alone.

~Ernie Pyle

There is no sense in the struggle, but there is no choice but to struggle.

~Ernie Pyle

About every two minutes a new wave of planes would be over. The motors seemed to grind rather than roar, and to have an angry pulsation like a bee buzzing in blind fury.

~Ernie Pyle

I try not to take any foolish chances, but there's just no way to play it completely safe and still do your job.

~Ernie Pyle

Our artillery... The Germans feared it almost more than anything we had.

~Ernie Pyle

Some day I'd like to cover a war in a country as ugly as war itself.

~Ernie Pyle

The front-line soldier wants it to be got over by the physical process of his destroying enough Germans to end it. He is truly at war. The rest of us, no matter how hard we work, are not.

~Ernie Pyle

Somebody said that carrier pilots were the best in the world, and they must be or there wouldn't be any of them left alive.

~Ernie Pyle

All the rest of us - you and me and even the thousands of soldiers behind the lines in Africa - we want terribly yet only academically for the war to get over.

~Ernie Pyle

It was a night when London was ringed and stabbed with fire.

~Ernie Pyle

One of the paradoxes of war is that those in the rear want to get up into the fight, while those in the lines want to get out.

~Ernie Pyle

If I can just see the European war out I think I might feel justified in quitting the war.

~Ernie Pyle

[I]nstead of the usual "Why can't we make movies more like real life?" I think a more pertinent question is "Why can't real life be more like the movies?"

~Ernie Pyle

Swinging first and swinging to kill is all that matters now.

~Ernie Pyle

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