

Norman Schwarzkopf Quotes

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It doesn't take a hero to order men into battle. It takes a hero to be one of those men who goes into battle.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

Leadership is a potent combination of strategy and character. But if you must be without one, be without the strategy.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

How do you fight someone who doesn't care if they get killed? You accommodate them.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

Going to war without France is like going hunting without an accordion.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

Ninety-nine percent of leadership failures are failures of character.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

I believe that forgiving them is god's function, our job is to arrange the meeting.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

True courage is being afraid, and going ahead and doing your job anyhow, that's what courage is.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

You learn far more from negative leadership than from positive leadership. Because you learn how not to do it. And, therefore, you learn how to do it.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

Do what is right, not what you think the high headquarters wants or what you think will make you look good.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

You can't help someone get up a hill without getting closer to the top yourself.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

Any soldier worth his salt should be antiwar. And still there are things worth fighting for.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

Leadership consists of character and strategy. If you can't have both, opt for character.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

The more you sweat in peace, the less you bleed in war.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

Success is sweet, but the secret is sweat.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

When placed in command, take charge.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

To be an effective leader, you have to have a manipulative streak - you have to figure out the people working for you and give each tasks that will take advantage of his strength.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

I do hunt, and I do fish, and I don't apologize to anybody for hunting and fishing.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

A very great man once said you should love your enemies and that's not a bad piece of advice. We can love them but, by God, that doesn't mean we're not going to fight them.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

It is God's job to forgive Osama Bin Laden. It is our job to arrange a face to face meeting.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

A professional soldier understands that war means killing people, war means maiming people, war means families left without fathers and mothers.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

I get angry at a principle, not a person.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

What is postwar Iraq going to look like, with the Kurds and the Sunnis and the Shiites? That's a huge question, to my mind.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

Judge your enemy based upon capabilities, not intent, you have to look at the enemy and really almost make a worst case call every time.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

I am living proof that if you catch prostate cancer early, it can be reduced to a temporary inconvenience, and you can go back to a normal life.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

Choose to win Get mad, then get over it.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

I prided myself on being unflappable even in the most chaotic of circumstances.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

Good generalship is a realization that... you've got to try and figure out how to accomplish your mission with a minimum loss of human life.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

If it had been our intention to take Iraq, if it had been our intention to destroy the country, if it had been our intention to overrun the country, we could have done it unopposed.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

I was lucky enough to lead a very successful war.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

I like to say I'm not a hero. I was lucky enough to lead a very successful war.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

But I would defy anyone to go back over the years and tell me anyone whose career I've ruined, anyone whom I've driven out of the service, anyone I've fired from a job.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

With a chemical alarm, you're going to build one that is oversensitive because you would rather the alarm go off and give you a false alarm than to err on the other side

~Norman Schwarzkopf

It's the sense of duty that keeps you going sometimes when things get very, very rough. Somebody's got to do it. And if you don't, who will?

~Norman Schwarzkopf

I may have made my reputation as a general in the Army and I'm very proud of that. But I've always felt that I was more than one-dimensional.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

Had we taken all of Iraq, we would have been like a dinosaur in the tar

pit - we would still be there, and we, not the United Nations, would be bearing the costs of that occupation.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

An awful lot has been written about my temper.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

I'm not a politician. I'd make a lousy politician.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

If Saddam were to be replaced tomorrow he would probably be replaced with someone who's just as bad or worse than he is.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

First of all, Saddam did not win the war, even though he says he did, I mean, you know, that's a joke and everybody in the world knows it.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

I'd like to think I'm a caring human being.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

Fear will keep you alive in a war. Fear will keep you alive in business. There's nothing wrong with fear.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

If we invade Iraq and the regime is very close to falling, I'm very, very concerned that the Iraqis will, in fact, use weapons of mass destruction.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

War is a profane thing.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

You can't help but... with 20/20 hindsight, go back and say, 'Look, had

we done something different, we probably wouldn't be facing what we are facing today.'

~Norman Schwarzkopf

I hate war. Absolutely, I hate war.

~Norman Schwarzkopf

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