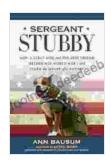
# The Stray Dog and His Best Friend: A Heartwarming Tale from the Trenches of World War I

In the midst of the horrors of World War I, a stray dog named Stubby found himself on the front lines. He was adopted by the 102nd Infantry Regiment of the 26th "Yankee" Division and quickly became a beloved member of the unit. Stubby went on to serve in 17 battles, witness some of the most horrific fighting of the war, and even earn the rank of sergeant.

Stubby's story is a heartwarming tale of friendship, courage, and resilience. It is a reminder that even in the darkest of times, there is always hope and love to be found.



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#### Stubby's Early Life

Stubby was born in New Haven, Connecticut, in 1916. He was a stray dog who wandered into the Yale University campus one day and was adopted by a group of students. The students named him Stubby because of his short tail.

In 1917, the United States entered World War I. Stubby's owner, Corporal John Robert Conroy, was drafted into the army and took Stubby with him to training camp. Stubby quickly became a favorite of the soldiers in Conroy's unit, and he soon found himself on his way to France.

#### **Stubby's Wartime Service**

Stubby arrived in France in 1918 and was immediately put to work. He served as a messenger, a sentry, and a morale booster for the soldiers. Stubby was also known for his ability to find wounded soldiers on the battlefield and lead them back to safety.

Stubby's most famous act of heroism occurred during the Battle of Meuse-Argonne. Stubby was serving as a sentry when he heard the sound of an incoming artillery shell. He barked and lunged at the shell, knocking it out of the air and saving the lives of several soldiers.

Stubby's actions earned him the rank of sergeant and the nickname "the Hero of the Yankee Division." He became a celebrity in the United States and was awarded a number of medals for his bravery.

#### **After the War**

After the war, Stubby returned to the United States with Conroy. He became a national hero and was celebrated for his bravery. Stubby lived out the rest of his days at the American Legion post in New Haven, Connecticut. He died in 1926 at the age of 10.

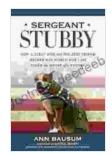
#### Stubby's Legacy

Stubby's story is a reminder that even the smallest of creatures can make a big difference. He is an example of the courage, loyalty, and friendship that can be found in the animal kingdom.

Stubby's legacy lives on today. He is the subject of a number of books and articles, and there is a statue of him in his hometown of New Haven.

Stubby is also a member of the National Canine Hall of Fame.

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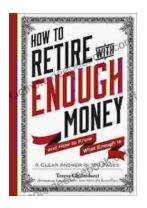
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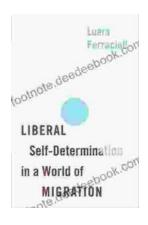
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