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This is the conclusion to Ryck Lysander's saga as a United Federation Marine.

Major General Lysander has spent 38 years of his life dedicated to the Corps and sworn to perform the duties assigned to him by the Federation. In the process, he has become the most decorated Marine in its history.

During his career, he has been given some missions that he privately questions, but as the ancient Tennyson quote goes, "Theirs not to reason why, theirs but to do and die." He has sworn an oath to obey, and he always upholds that oath to the best of his abilities.

Sworn oath or not, Ryck is faced with a situation that so horrifies him that he cannot accept it. Can he just stand by and let it proceed, or will he become an oathbreaker and put not only his life, but more importantly, that of his family, his fellow Marines and sailors, and the citizens of the Federation in peril?

## **Commandant Details**

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## **From Reader Review Commandant for online ebook**

### **Kevin Beck says**

Meh! Glad to be done with this series. Brazee's other books are much better to me.

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### **Ramond Collins says**

#### **Tough to put down!**

If you read the entire series you will be misty eyed after Book 8's final chapter! Outstanding series with well developed main characters. Will miss Ryck and Hannah.

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### **Kath Ibbotson says**

#### **Just read through the whole series again....**

.... enjoyed it just as much as the first time. Every book in the progression of the series is complete in itself, yet adds the ever increasing greatness of the full adventure. I highly recommend the whole series. Definitely five star calibre.

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### **Russell Quinton says**

#### **Great SCFI Series**

This series in my opinion was a very good continuing SCFI war story with much more. It reminded me of a scfi W.E.B Griffin story. I recommend the entire series. I will be following Jonathan Brazee for future books.

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### **Craig Martelle says**

The United Federation Marine Corps series is an outstanding read. From Private to Commandant, Colonel Brazee creates compelling characters in a believable universe. As a retired Marine Officer myself, these books took me back, while also making me look ahead. They make you think about what you would do. Making the reader think more deeply is the best any author can do. Well done Colonel and thank you for the series!

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### **Josh says**

I loved this book, a great end to the series. I will say that the ending although not how I wanted it to happen was still very much in character. There is a number of things I can say about this book.. but they all involve spoilers and I will not put spoilers in a review so keeping this short. my advice read this and all the other books in the series.

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### **Paul Archer says**

A great story with was very well told. I have read many series and most of the ending in those are not the best book, in the series this one bucks that trend it was a good or better than the prior books.

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### **Bill says**

A good ending to the series.

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### **Ray Carter says**

#### **Semper Fi**

The end of a book leaves one looking forward to the next in the series. The end of the series leaves one a little sad. So it is with Brazee's UFMC series. While somewhat atypical, following the career of Ruck Lysander has been interesting and enjoyable, while providing a behind the scenes look at the mystique of the Corps. Heartily recommended

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### **Jim says**

This is the book I have dreaded reading since I saw that it was published. Now, don't think that means this is a terrible book, because it's certainly not; just the opposite. This book and this entire series, IMHO, is one of the best military science fiction stories written in a long time. There have been eight books detailing the highly interesting and exciting military career of one Ryk Lysander, United Federation Marine Corps.

You start reading this series with "Recruit" which is where everyone who has had anything to do with military service starts. You learn things as you follow young Lysander through a career that would terrify any normal Marine, Soldier, Sailor or whatever. No one, except the character in this book, could live through the "excitement" he has had and no one would want to! Yet, if you have been in the military you already know that it's part real boring and part deadly terrifying. You also know it's a lot about the people you meet and the life long friendships you make. This book and the series brings out that camaraderie you find in the military. Some friends go through everything you do, but some friends get left behind or worst yet, die serving their country and fellow man. The author has done a good job of writing about people in the military and how they act and react to one another in peace and in wartime.

You always wonder if you would be as good as the main character in a book. I doubt most of us would. Although they are shown to be not quite perfect, some characters seem to be almost too perfect. Ryk Lysander seems to be one of the perfect ones. He does things his way and he usually comes out smelling like a rose. That's not the way it happens in real life so don't get this book confused with the real thing. It's a fictional account of a fictional character in a world far different from ours. But, what I got from the book is the memory of belonging to something far greater than myself. And that's what I think makes this story so good. Ryk is a United Federation Marine. He's surrounded by like minded individuals going through much the same things he is. He belongs to something and that is a feeling that most of us want no matter what we're doing. And in this series, the organization he belongs to does what he wants it to do, eventually. He's not left behind although a couple of times he should have realistically been just that. I mean you don't really slug the Commandant of the Marine Corps and then get promoted!

I liked the ending. It seems to fit the book and the situation although I don't think it would ever happen that way. I hate to see a series end because, even though the characters I read about may have lived to the end, they are actually gone forever to me. I never read a book twice on purpose. I might do that with this series, but I right now I can remember so vividly almost every book. So, when I close the final pages of this series, that's it. The only thing I hope is that someone out there will see this series and be reading it from the start. I absolutely know you'll love it.

Thanks to Jonathan P. Brazee, Colonel, USMCR (Ret.) for a fantastic military science fiction book series.

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### **Dale (Aus) says**

Loves the finish of this series. Lots of ways to end it but this fitted alright with the story. Will read more of these.

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### **PETER F DEKAM says**

#### **WOW**

I have been an enthusiastic consumer of this wonderful series from the beginning! I don't know where the author found the reserve and inspiration. But from a retired Military Officer, I salute him and his work's. You have done well. I can only hope you've inspired people to find Careers in the Military!

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### **Mildred mccraw says**

#### **Great reading**

Started with too many explanations but started moving in with the characters and their ways. Loved everything about the rest of the story. I will wait for the next of the new books being Written. Brazen is a fantastic writer. His military writing is terrific. Do not ever stop writing.

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**Jeff Hartman says****Thoroughly enjoyed the series.**

I enjoyed the series, even with the few misspellings. I did not feel they took me out of the moment. I look forward to further adventures in the UFMC universe.

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**Howard Brazee says**

The final book in an excellent series about a Marine in a space going federation. In this case the Big Business run repressive government and the protagonist (now a general) are in conflict.

Side note: After my wife almost died in an automobile accident I can get sentimental with various songs and stories, which I didn't get before that almost-loss. I cried in the last chapter. I expect most people won't, and my younger self wouldn't. It was a good ending.

There is room for more stories in this universe, even though the protagonist's story is done, and I am looking forward to reading more.

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