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Fearful Odds is the true story of a young Army officer, groomed for command and assigned to lead a platoon on a reconnaissance mission in Vietnam. An otherwise routine mission is complicated by the contradiction of an inept chain of command and the resulting casualties devastate the platoon. The graphic images and memories of the action and the grueling months that follow, lead Chuck Newhall to a lifetime of severe trauma, guilt, grief and anger. After decades of experience in managing the long-term effects of trauma, and with the support of his family, Chuck Newhall has successfully come to terms with his past and the effects of PTSD. *Fearful Odds* offers hope, inspiration and valuable coping tools for anyone, or their families, who has been affected by post-traumatic stress, depression, mild traumatic brain disorder or the suicide of a loved one. *Fearful Odds* is a story of perseverance in the face of insurmountable odds and will offer a guiding hand to others who are facing challenges on the battlefield, boardroom or back at home. www.fearfulodds.com