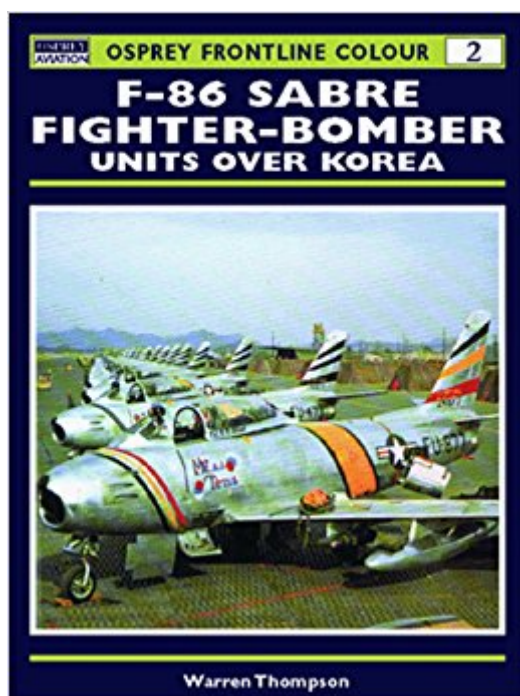


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# F-86 Sabre Fighter-Bomber Units Over Korea (Osprey Frontline Colour 2)



## Synopsis

Concentrates on F86F fighter-bombers in Korea. Accompanying the photos in the book are detailed captions, quotes from pilots in action and listings of the various units that served in Korea, plus specifications and cutaways of the aircraft flown.

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## Customer Reviews

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Warren Thompson has been an avid military aviation historian and editor for over 40 years and his personal reference collection includes thousands of photos and detailed interviews with over 2,000 pilots and aircrew members. He has had 25 books published including three books on the Korean War for Osprey. His book Korean War Aces in the Aircraft of the Aces series was a bestseller.

Osprey's author Warren Thompson has woven an excellent collection of candid and "formal" photos with historical information and personal stories to give the reader a real "I was there" experience. The focus of the book is operational, and with the exception of a cutaway drawing and pertinent specs of an F-84-30, there is little technical data. But if you want to know what it was like to be assigned to a Sabre squadron in Korea, look no further. There are dozens of photos in sharp,

clear, brilliant color, with detailed captions that flesh out the "story line" with additional information, adding to the reader's immersion in the era. The only criticism I have is that the type face is kinda small and would be easier to read if it was bolder. Big deal! :) The bottom line is that this is a "must have" for any F-86 nut, and I am looking forward to picking up the other volumes in Osprey's "over Korea" series (F-51, F-84 and B-26)

I am American Historian. I like introduce a Korean military aviation researcher, Young Ki Moon, Seoul, Korea. I am a most Important supplier of his requesting books and DVD, after meticulous, frequent searching of . occasionally, he sent me many valuable Reviews after his reading books. Now, I introduce a review on this book as following: I keep Osprey frontline colour series by admiring Warren Thompson as my emotionally attached books in my personal study-Library. One of my most favouring, best attached Jet fighter involving Korean Air War is F-86 Sabre Interceptor, fighter-bomber. First Jet: Jet Fighter air battle started, F-80C Shooting Star and MIG-15, in Korean War which was opening ceremony of the world on 8, Nov, 1950, near the Yalu river. After realization of inferior ability of already involved F-80C, F-84E, F9F-2 and Meteor F.8 were removed from role of fighter with MIG-15. Immediately F-86A was replaced on 13, Dec, 1950. the comparison between F-86A and MIG-15 was to be made by men of both sides. MIG-15 is slightly faster, fly higher, faster rate of climbing and heavier armament ( 1-37mm cannon, 2-23mm cannon) compare with F-86A ( 6-12.7mm Colt-Browning machine-guns). F-86A was favour on faster diving speed, better manoeuvrability and better gunsight using Radar Range tracer (MIG-15 used primitive ASP gunsight). Heavier cannon armament of MIG-15 aims easy destruction of heavy Bombers, B-29, role of interceptor. one of leading Soviet Ace, Yevgeni Popyayev, said "the US Browning .50 Cal guns acted on our aircraft like peas" "It was routine for our aircraft to return home having taken 40~50 hits" (quoted from Osprey's " Korean War Aces" from early summer of 1951, more powerful, more effective air-to-air fighting, MIG-15bis was introduced. On the other hand, F-86A improved to F-86E (with "all flying tail"), more improved version F-86F (with "hard wing") from now on, -this Superior Sabre- had the better performances in every area compare with MIG-15bis. Rapid replacement from F-86A to F-86F can introduce best fighter-interceptor group and Fighter-Bomber group. As this book, F-86F fighter- bomber unit engaged effective roles. but their most dangerous enemies are radar controlled concentrated Soviet AAA in MIG ALLEY and small arms on the tree top level operations surrounding mountainous deep valley.

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