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Eddie Czernik thought he had it made. He was finishing college a semester early (with very good marks) and later he would be commissioned as a Navy ensign, with a promised assignment that dovetailed neatly with his hoped-for career of marine biologist.

But then there was a foul-up. First thing he knew, Eddie was a seaman second class, roaring up a river at the wheel of an armed thirty-one-foot patrol boat. The river was in Vietnam. And people were shooting at him.

Shortly thereafter, the Navy assigned him to a slightly bigger craft, a fifty-footer, whose job it was to stop and search Vietnamese junks and sampans suspected of running ammunition or supplies for the Viet Cong. Eddie soon found that most of the junks and sampans were innocent fishing vessels. But when they weren't, the fireworks began!

Jacket By Victor Mays



W. E. Butterworth has two backgrounds which show to definite advantage in *Stop and Search*. One is writing: the other is fighting. Mr. Butterworth served with distinction in Korea, earning the Expert Combat Infantryman's Badge. And he is also a professional writer, having done numerous books for children, young people and adults. He lives with his wife (a former ballerina of the Vienna State Opera) and their three children on Bayou Volante, in Fairhope, Alabama, on Mobile Bay.

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IN MEMORY OF

NEIL S. WILLIAMS

SPECIALIST FOURTH CLASS, U.S. ARMY

BORN FEBRUARY 8, 1944

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AT DANANG, SOUTH VIETNAM

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