

Perspectives in Military History Lecture Series

Boy on the Bridge: The Story of John Shalikashvili's American Success

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On August 19th, 2020, at 6:30 PM EDT, the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, will live-stream a lecture by Dr. Andrew Marble of Brown University based on his new book, *Boy on the Bridge: The Story of John Shalikashvili's American Success*. The live-stream will air at <https://www.armywarcollege.edu/live>, and online viewers can participate in the question and answer portion of the presentation by emailing questions to usarmy.carlisle.awc.mbx.ahec-ves@mail.mil, or by direct messaging the USAHEC on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/USAHEC>).

In *Boy on the Bridge: The Story of John Shalikashvili's American Success*, Dr. Andrew Marble tells the story of John Shalikashvili, the son of immigrants who fled Europe to the safety of the United States after World War II. Despite his underprivileged upbringing, Shalikashvili clawed his way to a Bachelor's degree before being drafted into the Army and attending Officer Candidate School. Shalikashvili's empathetic and collaborative approach to leadership impressed his colleagues, subordinates, and leadership alike. He demonstrated his expertise in military affairs through his ability to handle conflict, his humility, and his ability to work well with others. He rose rapidly in rank, eventually serving as the Supreme Allied Commander in Europe for NATO and then as the Chairman of the United States Joint Chiefs of Staff. In his lecture, Dr. Andrew Marble will study Shalikashvili's leadership style through the lens of Shalikashvili's family struggles, his career as a junior officer, and how he broke the chains of poverty to achieve the highest position in the American Armed Forces.

Dr. Andrew Marble is a writer, editor, and independent scholar, earning his PhD in political science from Brown University, an MA in Law and Diplomacy from Tufts University's Fletcher School, and a BA in East Asian Studies from Middlebury College. His latest biography about GEN John Shalikashvili was written in partnership with the Association of the U.S. Army and is part of the American Warrior Series from the University Press of Kentucky. Dr. Andrew Marble was also an editor at the National Bureau of Asian Research, the founding editor of *Asia Policy*, and currently serves as the Outreach Editor for the Taiwan Journal of Democracy.

DATE: Wednesday, August 19th, 2020

LOCATION: Live-Stream Online (<https://www.armywarcollege.edu/live/>)

TIME: Lecture begins at 6:30PM EDT

For updates and any last-minute changes, please check: www.USAHEC.org or call the Information Desk: 717-245-3972.