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 Anthony and one of his unit members Johnny are digging their fighting holes but are being shot at with artillery and chemical bombs. Out of the six members of the platoon they have twelve guns (five M16’s, three M203 rifle/grenade launchers, two 9mm pistols, one M40A1 sniper rifle, and one .50-caliber sniper rifle) and a few dozen frag grenades and smoke, with all those weapons they are the platoon that gets attacked, they have the least amount of guns and ammunition, but they have to make due with what they got and try not to miss. Anthony realizes that the only reason he actually enlisted into the Marine Corps was to claim his place in the military history of his family. Like when his father fought in Vietnam, his brother dying in the peacetime Marine Corps, and his grandfather serving in the army air force in World War II. He may not have joined the Marine Corps because he wanted to be in combat, for killing, or for dying being a hero but he joined because he wanted to be accepted by his family that he served our military like everyone else did, and wants his family to be proud.