

KAMIKAZE (SEASON 1 FINALE EPISODE)

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FADE IN:

EXT. I-47 - CONTINUOUS

Stock footage was taken from *Dogfights Season 2* as the Japanese submarine, *I-47*, releases four *Kaiten* human torpedoes to cut off the American naval supplies.

ANNOUNCER [V.O.]

US Navy under attack by Kamikaze!
The Japanese submarine, *I-47*,
unleashed her secret weapons to
seek out and destroy the American
supply ships at Ulithi anchorage:
the *Kaiten*.

EXT. ULITHI ANCHORAGE - DAY

ANNOUNCER [V.O.] [CONT'D]

The Japanese successfully sank the
American oiler, *USS Mississinewa*,
to cutoff the oil supplies before
the war's end.

INT./EXT. TAKEO AIRFIELD - DAY

TWO JAPANESE CADETS, SUBURO DOHI AND HIDEO SUZUKI went to Takeo Airfield at Taiwan waiting for THE JAPANESE COMMANDER to give the instructions for the suicide training.

ANNOUNCER [V.O.] [CONT'D]

At Takeo Airfield flight school,
two Japanese Cadets, Suburo Dohi
and Hideo Suzuki, are preparing
for their suicide run on the
American fleet...

SUBURO DOHI

(speaking in Japanese) *Have you heard the news, Suzuki? One of the American ships was sunk by some sort-of human torpedo to cutoff the oil supplies at Ulithi anchorage before the end of the Pacific War. It was terrifying that no one survive the attack on the American supply ships!*

HIDEO SUZUKI

(speaking in Japanese) *You mean the Kaiten that sank the American oiler, USS Mississinewa, last year?*

SUBURO DOHI

(speaking in Japanese) *Exactly. We're at flight school and we came here to give the flight instructions to turn the tide of the war against the American fleet.*

The Japanese Group Commander, Junsaku Takahasi, enters the room, to give the cadets a flying instruction.

JUNSAKU TAKAHASI

(speaking in Japanese) *Welcome to the flight school. My name is Junsaku Takahasi. I'll be your flight instructor for today, but before you begin your flight training, raise your hand, if you either married, a surviving male heir for your family, or only a parent alive, raise your hand.*

Some of the Japanese Cadets raise their hand, but most of them are staying.

JUNSAKU TAKAHASI [CONT'D]

(continue in Japanese) *Very well. You may leave the room.*

Only few Japanese Cadets are willing for sacrifice.

JUNSAKU TAKAHASI [CONT'D]

(continue in Japanese) *Let's begin the suicidal flight training. You'll be flying our new weapon, the Ohka. This human weapon can only be carried by Betty Bomber.*

(MORE)

JUNSAKU TAKAHASI [CONT'D]

With a maximum speed of 3,500 miles, the Ohka was designed to sink the enemy ship, and the pilot onboard will never return alive. However, you only get one shot to hit the enemy ship. Operating Ohka is the key to a one-way mission to bring our victory in the Pacific. Neither of you will return alive.

HIDEO SUZUKI

(speaking in Japanese) Commander, if our Navy can't defeat the enemy at the Pacific, then we'll sign up for our sacrifice for the Empire of Japan.

JUNSAKU TAKAHASI

(speaking in Japanese) Very well, Suzuki. Then prepare for the Ohka Kamikaze training.

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EXT. TAKEO AIRFIELD - DAY

Cadets Suzuki and Dohi saw a Betty Bomber carrying training Ohka.

SUBURO DOHI

(speaking in Japanese) Before you go, I want you to have this.

Cadet Dohi gives Suzuki a gift for a good luck charm.

CLOSE-UP SHOT ON A GOOD LUCK CHARM.

HIDEO SUZUKI

(speaking in Japanese) It says "Victory".

SUBURO DOHI

(speaking in Japanese) *Yes, Suzuki. It'll bring you good luck.*

HIDEO SUZUKI

(speaking in Japanese) *Luck is nothing to do with our sacrifice.*

SUBURO DOHI

(speaking in Japanese) *I'll be waiting for you when you come back.*

JAPANESE BOMBER PILOT (O.S.)

(speaking in Japanese) *Let's go, Suzuki! You don't want to be late!*

HIDEO SUZUKI

Sayonara, Dohi.

SFX: AIRPLANE ENGINES STARTUP

Cadet Suzuki climbs onboard the Betty Bomber. Cadet Dohi watches as the Betty Bomber takeoff from the runway.

DISSOLVE TO:

INT. G4M BETTY — OHKA K-1 - CONTINUOUS

The Japanese Betty Bomber cruises up in the air, Suzuki settles down into the Ohka training glider for his first flight.

JAPANESE BOMBER PILOT

(radios in Japanese) *Suzuki, you okay in here?*

HIDEO SUZUKI

(radios in Japanese) *Maintenance preparation. All good.*

He taps out in Morse code an abbreviation of his oral message. THE JAPANESE BOMBER PILOT knows he can't drop the K-1 until his confirmation of Suzuki's message and himself has issued a reply.

JAPANESE BOMBER PILOT

(radios in Japanese) *Get ready to drop, Suzuki!*

But before he finishes the Morse code, the Betty Bomber releases the Ohka and starting to plunge into a dive like a roller coaster by using a stock footage from *Dogfights: Season 2 premiere episode*. Suzuki grabs his joystick as the G-Force increases like a video game. He felt the weight acting harder on him and closed his eyes slowly but managed to control the Ohka and saw an airfield nearby. Suzuki circles twice before making his final approach on three feet over the airfield. The training Ohka finally lands safely after skidding along the sandy field tilting in one side of the training Ohka as it comes to a complete stop resting on the wingtip.

EXT. TAKEO AIRFIELD - DAY

The Japanese Cadets celebrate for Suzuki's survival training as Suzuki exits the training Ohka's cockpit.

SUBURO DOHI

(feeling excitement in Japanese)
You did it, Suzuki! I know you can do it!

HIDEO SUZUKI

(speaking in Japanese) *Yes, Dohi!
The Ohka's flight training works!
Now we're ready to fulfill our destiny!*

SUPER: "APRIL 12, 1945."

One year after the Ohka training program, Suzuki hands it back to Dohi for his sacrifice.

SUBURO DOHI

(surprised in Japanese) *What are you doing, Suzuki? I thought you want to sacrifice to save Japan.*

HIDEO SUZUKI

(speaking in Japanese) *No, Dohi, you can have it back. Therefore, it's been an honor to serve you.*

SUBURO DOHI

(speaking in Japanese) *Thank you,
Suzuki, and farewell, my friend.*

Dohi bows to Suzuki as he boards one of the three Betties. Suzuki watches as three Betties takeoff to prepare for the Kamikaze mission against the American fleet.

INT. G4M BETTY - CONTINUOUS

At 20,000 feet, each Betty is carrying Ohka rocket planes under their bellies. The Betty pilot spots a black smoke coming from the American destroyer, *USS Mannert L. Able*.

JAPANESE BOMBER PILOT

(radios in Japanese) *What's that
black smoke over there?*

JAPANESE BOMBER CO-PILOT

(radios in Japanese) *One of our
fighter escorts made a direct hit
on the American destroyer.*

JAPANESE BOMBER PILOT

(radios in Japanese) *That's our
target! Dohi, it's up to you now!
Go!*

EXT. OHKA - CONTINUOUS

Stock footage from *Dogfights: Season 2* shows the Betty Bomber releases the Ohka. Dohi activates Ohka's rocket boosters. His target is the crippled destroyer, *USS Mannert L. Able*, as Dohi dodges the American anti-aircraft barrage. He makes a direct hit causing the *USS Mannert L. Able* to split into two pieces. *USS Mannert L. Able* slips beneath the waves carrying 79 men with her.

INT. G4M BETTY - CONTINUOUS

JAPANESE BOMBER CO-PILOT

(speaking in Japanese) *Direct hit!
American destroyer sunk!*

JAPANESE BOMBER CREW cheered for Dohi's successful attack run on *USS Mannert L. Able*.

INT. USS STANLEY - COMMAND BRIDGE - CONTINUOUS

Onboard the *Fletcher*-class destroyer, *USS Stanley*, COMMANDER WILLIAM R. GLENNON witness the sinking of *USS Mannert L. Able*.

WILLIAM R. GLENNON

BREWER, what's going on out there?

IRVIN BREWER

Sir, it appears to be some sort of flying object that hits one of our destroyers.

WILLIAM R. GLENNON

It's a Baka bomb! Trying to sink our fleet at Okinawa! Take out as many human bombs with anti-aircraft guns!

AMERICAN SAILOR

But sir, that will be impossible! The Baka bomb is way too fast for our anti-aircraft guns.

WILLIAM R. GLENNON

Then aim for the cockpit. That idiot is got to go.

IRVIN BREWER

Sir, two unidentified objects incoming!

WILLIAM R. GLENNON

Concentrate on all your firepower with anti-aircraft guns!

EXT. *USS STANLEY* - CONTINUOUS

As *USS Stanley* open fire on the unidentified objects with anti-aircraft guns, the first Ohka slams on *USS Stanley's* steel valve plates, but the second Ohka completely missed its target after killing the Ohka pilot inside the cockpit. The Ohka cartwheels and splashes into the water. The crew of *USS Stanley* cheered for their victory. Not a single crew die onboard *USS Stanley*.

INT. *USS STANLEY* - COMMAND BRIDGE

Commander Glennon was pleased.

WILLIAM R. GLENNON [CONT'D]

That's more like it.

INT. JACK'S F4U CORSAIR - CONTINUOUS

Jack leads a squadron of F4U Corsairs for an interception mission to shoot down three fleeing Betties.

JACK

(on radio) Betties at 11 o'clock.
They've already sank one of our
destroyers.

INT. NATE'S F4U CORSAIR - CONTINUOUS

NATE

(on radio) Roger, Jack. I see
them. It's time to teach those
Kamikazes a taste of their own
medicine.

The Corsairs attack three Betties with .50 caliber machine guns.

INT. G4M BETTY - CONTINUOUS

ONE OF THE JAPANESE GUNNERS spots a squadron of Corsair fighters.

JAPANESE REAR GUNNER

(shouting in Japanese) *Enemy
fighters incoming!*

JAPANESE BOMBER PILOT

(shouting in Japanese) *Shoot them
down!*

The Japanese rear gunner opens fire determine to shake the Corsairs off its tail, but the Corsair's .50 caliber guns kills the rear gunner and ignites the Betty's right engine. The Japanese flight leader is down but two more Betties are under attack by American interceptors. Jack takes out the wingman and Nate shot down the element lead.

INT. NATE'S F4U CORSAIR - CONTINUOUS

NATE

(on radio) All three Betties are
shot down, Jack.

INT. JACK'S F4U CORSAIR - CONTINUOUS

JACK

(on radio) Well done, Nate. All squadrons return to the carriers.

The Corsairs head back to *USS Essex*.

INT. USS ESSEX - FLIGHT DECK - CONTINUOUS

All Corsairs land on the flight deck safely. Nate steps out of his Corsair and tells Jack about the Kamikaze attack at Okinawa.

NATE

Jack, I hate to tell you this, but we've never seen those tiny planes under their belly before.

JACK

They're Ohka rocket planes or Cherry Blossom.

NATE

Like those leaves falling from the tree?

JACK

On the contrary, yes. It's like a leaf falling from the tree, but during the war, the Betties can only carry the Ohka rocket planes instead of using their payloads.

NATE

You mean bombs and torpedoes, Jack?

JACK

Exactly. The Japs used them in the early years in the Pacific until they use their planes as human bombs to sink more ships in Okinawa rather than using their bombloads.

NATE

But the Japs would never do that to our fleet especially when we dealt with the enemy carriers in the Pacific.

JACK

And with the Imperial Japanese Fleet gone, the Japs will throw everything they have to sink our ships before our invasion in Japan.

NATE

But the invasion of Japan is impossible!

JACK

Not if we can take Okinawa first.

NATE

I wished the Thompson Brothers would see this before the end of the war, but they decided not to fight anymore and think the Imperial Japanese Navy is defeated.

JACK

What?! The Thompson Brothers already left before the war's end?! How could they leave us behind after the Battle of Leyte Gulf?!

NATE

The Japs have no carriers left to fight us. They have planes to sacrifice themselves to save their lives in the Empire of Japan.

JACK

If the Thompson Brothers have a family and then. Oh my god!

Jack couldn't believe his eyes! The Thompson Brothers' goal is a success and now they and his family attend for President Franklin Delano Roosevelt's funeral service.

EXT. WASHINGTON D.C. - DAY

The Thompson Family attend their funeral service at Washington D.C. as the US Armed Forces march on the road to the White House. The horse-drawn caisson carried President Roosevelt's casket, and the American Flag was draped over the coffin.

RALPH THOMPSON

Honey, how did President Roosevelt die before the war's end?

HELEN THOMPSON

The war won't last long until the Axis Powers surrender.

RALPH THOMPSON

I left England last year after my sons' return to the Pacific to attack Saipan.

HELEN THOMPSON

Then why did you leave England last year after the Battle of Leyte Gulf?

RALPH THOMPSON

Because I want to see our sons' return on Thanksgiving.

HELEN THOMPSON

Thanksgiving? Honey, we had Thanksgiving before our entrance to the war against the Axis Powers after the Pearl Harbor attack.

RALPH THOMPSON

And one year after that, my sons are facing the Japs at the Pacific while my daughter and I are working for the 8th Air Force of the 390th Bomb Group.

HELEN THOMPSON

And speaking of the 390th Bomb Group, have you taught my sons about Operation Crossbow?

RALPH THOMPSON

That was last year when the Nazis unleash their secret weapons to bombard England with V-Weapons. My sons flew the B-17 to bomb the V-2 rocket launching site on Northern France.

HELEN THOMPSON

And how did your plan go?

RALPH THOMPSON

Our plan went well, Helen. The V-2 launching site was destroyed and Lucy had A BOYFRIEND who flew the P-51 Mustang to escort a group of Flying Fortresses at Lille.

HELEN THOMPSON

Lille? I thought our boys are targeting the German railway station.

RALPH THOMPSON

That's the other thing too, Helen. They're too many German flak guns fortifying their positions at the railway station or perhaps the train station was filled with civilians.

HELEN THOMPSON

Civilians?

RALPH THOMPSON

That's what I'm worried about. Targeting civilians is considered as a war crime in Europe.

HELEN THOMPSON

How do you know?

RALPH THOMPSON

The Nazis targeted civilians in London not once but twice. During the Battle of Britain, the Luftwaffe bombed London day and night until the Nazis use their secret weapons four years later.

HELEN THOMPSON

Oh, that's terrible! How could the Germans target innocent civilians in four years?

RALPH THOMPSON

The Luftwaffe bombed building-by-building on Britain until the Germans participated to bomb the Eastern Front including Stalingrad.

HELEN THOMPSON

Stalingrad? A Russian city named after THE SOVIET DICTATOR?

RALPH THOMPSON

That's right. His name is Joseph Stalin. He was once with the Nazis, but he decided to redeem himself to defend the Soviet Union with the help of our Allies in the Western Front.

HELEN THOMPSON

Such as the Great War?

RALPH THOMPSON

My brother and I fought on the Western Front years ago. I served the 94th Aero Squadron under Eddie Rickenbacker. He shot down more planes than any other pilots did.

HELEN THOMPSON

Wow! Eddie's a good pilot, Ralph!

RALPH THOMPSON

Yeah, I know, Honey. The Allies are going the offensive against the Axis Powers. The difference is the fighting in the Pacific War against the Japanese takes a lot longer than on fighting in Europe against the Germans.

HELEN THOMPSON

So, another words, the Germans will fall first?

RALPH THOMPSON

Yep, and with the help of the Soviet Union, they will take Manchukuo to liberate China.

HELEN THOMPSON

Manchukuo? What is Manchukuo?

RALPH THOMPSON

A Japanese puppet state of Manchuria if the fall of the Third Reich begins in Europe, then China will be free at last.

HELEN THOMPSON

Then we will get a chance to celebrate our victory over the Axis Powers!

RALPH THOMPSON

But the party wasn't started until Summer.

HELEN THOMPSON

And the same thing goes for the children for going back to school.

RALPH THOMPSON

I hope the children don't serve in the military service in the future.

HELEN THOMPSON

After the war, we'll have a nice peaceful day with my family.

RALPH THOMPSON

I agree with you, honey. Let's hope the boys will return home soon as war heroes.

EXT. USS LAFFEY - CONTINUOUS

SUPER: "APRIL 16, 1945."

The American destroyer, *USS Laffey*, patrols the waters of Okinawa along with two landing craft support ships.

INT. USS LAFFEY - COMMAND BRIDGE - CONTINUOUS

CAPTAIN FREDERICK JUILAN BECTON commands the *USS Laffey* for incoming Kamikazes at Okinawa. 19-YEAR-OLD QUARTERMASTER, ARI PHOUTRIDES had a sad news for President Roosevelt and Ohka Kamikaze attack on two destroyers.

ARI PHOUTRIDES

Captain Becton, we regret to inform you that our President died at the White House.

FREDERICK JUILAN BECTON

You've got to be kidding me, Ari! We're getting close to victory at Okinawa and now President Roosevelt died before the war ends? How can we fight the Japs at Okinawa if our President died in the office before reaching to Japan?

ARI PHOUTRIDES

No, I'm not. With our President gone, one of our destroyers sunk by Ohka Kamikaze rocket plane.

FREDERICK JULIAN BECTON

So that's where the Betties were using baka bombs to hit two destroyers while patrolling the waters of Okinawa.

ARI PHOUTRIDES

We should be lucky that the Japs didn't hit us with the human bombs.

AL DORRIS enters the command bridge.

AL DORRIS

Captain, we've got incoming Kamikaze planes at port and starboard!

Captain Becton saw a Val dive-bomber heading towards the *USS Laffey*.

FREDERICK JULIAN BECTON

There are too many Kamikazes in both directions! Order our men for battle stations.

EXT. *USS LAFFEY* - CONTINUOUS

Ari left the command bridge and orders the American sailors for battle stations.

ARI PHOUTRIDES

All hands man your battle stations!

The sailors manned their battle stations. They load their anti-aircraft guns and gun turrets with armored piercing rounds. The *USS Laffey* concentrates on the first Kamikaze by using a stock footage from *Dogfights: Season 2 premiere* as the Val releases its bomb and turns away. Outnumbered and outgunned, there are 50 Kamikazes coming toward the *USS Laffey*. They include Val and Judy Dive-Bombers and Kate torpedo planes equipped with suicide attacks on *USS Laffey*.

INT. *USS LAFFEY* - COMMAND BRIDGE - CONTINUOUS

Captain Becton spots a pair of Vals headed for the starboard valve.

FREDERICK JUILAN BECTON

Hard to port!

The sailor turns hard to port 30 degrees to bring her all guns to bare. First, *USS Laffey* fires her main batteries with 5-inch guns, then the .40 mm anti-aircraft guns knock on the first Val, and lastly, the .20 mm anti-aircraft cannons rattle towards the second Val. With the first two Kamikazes down, the second pair are headed for the stern, but one of the Vals cuts the tip of its right wing until the fixed landing gear touches the water and another Val splashes into the water. Then another Kamikaze attacks *USS Laffey* starboard but this time, it was Judy diving towards the American destroyer. The first Judy was blown out of the sky and the American sailors concentrate on the second Judy on the port valve.

FREDERICK JUILAN BECTON [CONT'D]

Hard a starboard!

The sailor turns to starboard 30 degrees to knock Judy out of the sky and nearly damage on *USS Laffey*. Then, one of the Kamikazes is headed toward the port side directly amid the ship. Now, *USS Laffey* presents the smaller target to throw off the Val with anti-aircraft barrage. After shooting the Val out of the sky, the Kamikaze barely misses its target until one of the Kamikazes knock the .20 mm anti-aircraft gun mount of amid ship killing three sailors onboard. Then another Kamikaze made a direct hit on dead astern. The carnage reaches below decks causing the crewmen to engulf in flames on the topside.

INT. USS LAFFEY - COMMAND BRIDGE - CONTINUOUS

RADIOMAN

Sir, we've been hit by Kamikazes!

FREDERICK JUILAN BECTON

Radio LCS-51 to protect our ship.

RADIOMAN

(on radio) LCS-51, our ship is damaged! We need backup, I repeat, we need backup!

LCS-51 CAPTAIN [V.O.]

(calling over the radio) This is LCS-51 speaking, we're on our way.

EXT. USS LAFFEY - CONTINUOUS

The *USS Laffey* continues fighting against the Kamikazes and one of *Laffey's* main batteries is knocked out of action killing six men onboard.

EXT. LCS-51 - CONTINUOUS

As *USS Laffey* splashes another Kamikaze, one of the Kamikazes targets the LCS-51 in about 10 feet off the water but fails to strike the ship.

INT. USS LAFFEY - COMMAND BRIDGE - CONTINUOUS

Ari hurries to the command bridge to assess its situation.

ARI PHOUTRIDES

Captain, we've lost the main battery in the rear.

FREDERICK JULIAN BECTON

Order our men to slow the ship down.

ARI PHOUTRIDES

But sir, the Kamikaze is making a bomb run!

FREDERICK JULIAN BECTON

Then take evasive action! Hard to port!

USS Laffey attempts to turn to port, but it's too late! Val's 500-pound bomb slams on the destroyer causing the rudder to jam.

ARI PHOUTRIDES

Sir, our rudder is jammed! We're unable to steer our ship!

FREDERICK JULIAN BECTON

You're right, Ari. There's nothing we can do about it.

ARI PHOUTRIDES

But there's only one way to prevent the Kamikazes from hitting our ship.

FREDERICK JULIAN BECTON

Do you have a plan for our survival?

ARI PHOUTRIDES

We need air support, Captain, to defend our ship.

FREDERICK JULIAN BECTON

Then radio for fighter squadron to protect our ship from sinking.

RADIOMAN

(on radio) *Laffey* to VC-94 our ship is damaged by Kamikazes! I repeat, our ship is damaged by Kamikazes!

INT. CARL RIEMAN'S FM-2 WILDCAT - CONTINUOUS

Four FM-2 Wildcats from *USS Shamrock Bay* are on their mission to save the ship. CARL RIEMAN leads the squadron to intercept 50 Kamikazes.

CARL RIEMAN

(on radio) This is Carl Rieman, over.

RADIOMAN [O.S.]

(over the radio) We're under attack by Kamikazes. We need your help to stop the Kamikazes before they finish us off.

CARL RIEMAN

(on radio) Roger. COLLIER, are you with me?

INT. DICK COLLIER'S FM-2 WILDCAT - CONTINUOUS

DICK COLLIER

(on radio) Roger that, Rieman. We're waiting for your orders.

INT. CARL RIEMAN'S FM-2 WILDCAT - CONTINUOUS

CARL RIEMAN

(on radio) *Laffey* is counting on us. Shoot down many Kamikazes as possible before the Japs strike the ship.

Four Wildcats attack the Kamikazes with .50 caliber machine guns. Rieman couldn't shoot down the Val on time, but Dick Collier manages to bring down one of the Kamikazes, then Rieman shot down another Kamikaze and explodes the wing tank. He targets Kate torpedo-plane and smokes the engine causing the plane to plummet towards the ocean. With no ammo left on his Wildcat, he makes a diving pass on the Kamikazes forcing some to break off the attack and returns to the escort carrier.

INT. D3A VAL - CONTINUOUS

The Kamikaze Pilot concentrates at *USS Laffey*. Diving, both Kamikazes hit *USS Laffey*.

EXT. USS LAFFEY - CONTINUOUS

SKIPPER calls out to Ari to asset the damage on the rear.

SKIPPER

Ari, we need some help back here!

ARI PHOUTRIDES

I'll be right there, Skipper.

Ari went to the back aft of *USS Laffey* to repair the damage. He witnesses the carnage of dead sailors and damaged flak guns.

INT. USS LAFFEY - COMMAND BRIDGE - CONTINUOUS

ONE OF THE SAILORS went to the bridge.

FREDERICK JULIAN BECTON

(sighs) What is it this time?

AMERICAN SAILOR

Sir, our ship can't stand that long! We must leave the ship so others can live!

FREDERICK JULIAN BECTON

(angrily) I will not abandon ship as long as a single gun can fire!

AMERICAN SAILOR

But our front guns are still active.

FREDERICK JULIAN BECTON

Get Jack and the Corsair squadron.

AMERICAN SAILOR

Yes, sir!

INT. JACK'S F4U CORSAIR - CONTINUOUS

Jack and a squadron of F4U Corsairs from *USS Essex* came to rescue the cripple destroyer.

RADIO MAN [O.S.]

(over the radio) Jack, this is urgent! We've taken hits by Kamikazes and bombs! We need your help to wipe out the remaining Kamikazes to save our lives.

JACK

(on radio) This is Jack. Go ahead.

RADIO MAN [O.S.]

(over the radio) I need you and your flight to buy some time before our ship is doomed.

JACK

(on radio) Roger. Let's finish this.

The Corsairs open fire at the Kamikazes with .50 calibers. Jack shoots down the Kate torpedo plane and explodes. He chases down the Kamikaze and sends Val to the bottom of the sea.

INT. NATE'S F4U CORSAIR - CONTINUOUS

Nate is chasing down the Oscar. He tries to shoot the Oscar down but the Oscar sheers off the left yardarm. Moments later, Nate hits *Laffey's* radar antennae and careens away badly damaged. So decided to bail out after his plane sputters its engine.

EXT. NATE'S F4U CORSAIR - DAY

Nate quickly uses his life raft for his survival as his plane ditches into the water.

EXT. USS LAFFEY - CONTINUOUS

As the Kamikaze continues to attack on *USS Laffey*, she fires her main battery at the Kamikaze with an anti-aircraft shell and smashes the Japanese Val in pieces until the final Kamikaze was shot down by Jack. The American sailors onboard *USS Laffey* cheer for Jack and the Corsairs.

AL DORRIS

Yeah! Take that, you Jap bastards!

ARI PHOUTRIDES

Now that's what I called "The Ship That Would Never Die."

INT. ANDY'S SUPERMARINE SEAFIRE - CONTINUOUS

SUPER: "APRIL 22, 1945."

FLIGHT LEADER, ANDY, leads 40 British Supermarine Seafire Interceptors from *HMS Indefatigable* are on a mission at Okinawa. Their plan is to destroy the Kamikaze motorboats before the Japanese can strike the Allied ships at the coast of Okinawa.

ANDY

(on radio) BRIAN, do you copy?
This is your flight leader
speaking.

INT. BRIAN'S SUPERMARINE SEAFIRE - CONTINUOUS

BRIAN

(on radio) Roger, flight leader.
Any sign of the enemy boats off
Okinawa?

INT. ANDY'S SUPERMARINE SEAFIRE - CONTINUOUS

ANDY

(on radio) Can't see a bloody
thing! Either we end up in
friendly fire or the boats are
trying to make a suicide run.

INT. BRIAN'S SUPERMARINE SEAFIRE - CONTINUOUS

Brian looks at the enemy boats below.

BRIAN

(on radio) Andy, those boats aren't friendly. They're Japanese! They're trying to make their suicide run on the Allied Fleet before reaching the shores of Okinawa.

INT. ANDY'S SUPERMARINE SEAFIRE - CONTINUOUS

ANDY

(on radio) Don't let the suicide boats sink our fleet.

Andy leads his squadron toward a group of *Shinyo* motorboats. The British are preparing for their strafing run at the group of *Shinyos* with cannons and machine guns to defend the Allied ships. One-by-one, all the *Shinyos* are sunk before they reach their targets.

INT. BRIAN'S SUPERMARINE SEAFIRE - CONTINUOUS

BRIAN

(on radio) Yeah! Not a single bloody ship is sunk, Andy!

INT. ANDY'S SUPERMARINE SEAFIRE - CONTINUOUS

ANDY

(on radio) Good work, mates. Let's go home.

All the British Fighters are present and accounted for.

INT. JERRY O'KEEFE'S CORSAIR - CONTINUOUS

On the skies of Okinawa, a squadron of F4U Corsairs of VMF-323 have their mission of their own: destroy all Kamikaze planes out of the sky. JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE leads the Death Rattlers to put end the Japanese Kamikaze attacks before they hit their targets.

JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE

(on radio) Any sign of the Kamikazes, FRANK?

INT. FRANK'S CORSAIR - CONTINUOUS

FRANK

(on radio) Yes, Jerry, I see them.
There are many of them!

INT. JERRY O'KEEFE'S CORSAIR - CONTINUOUS

JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE

(on radio) Then it's our chance to
take down the remaining Kamikazes.
Let's get them.

Stock footage from *Dogfights: Season 2* shows the Death Rattlers dive toward the Kamikaze formation. Jerry O'Keefe opens fire at one of the Kamikazes with .50 caliber machine guns and tears the Val's right wing and spirals out of control.

INT. FRANK'S CORSAIR - CONTINUOUS

Frank saw more Kamikazes attacking the Allied Fleet. Frank and the Corsairs start a dogfight with the Kamikazes.

FRANK

(on radio) Jerry, there are too
many Kamikazes attacking the
fleet!

INT. JERRY O'KEEFE'S CORSAIR - CONTINUOUS

JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE

(on radio) Keep shooting, Frank.
The Kamikazes must be stopped
before they strike the fleet.

Jerry O'Keefe levels off with six more Kamikazes ahead of him. He concentrates on the Japanese flight leader but one of the Kamikaze left the formation and heads directly into the clouds. To avoid overshooting the Kamikaze, Jerry lowers his landing flaps so he can get a clear shot with his gunsight. There is no cloud cover left for the Kamikaze pilot making easy prey for Jerry's .50 caliber rounds claiming his second kill of the war. Then, Jerry spots another Kamikaze plane flying past him. Two aircraft are using scissors maneuvering above the water. Jerry fires his .50 caliber rounds on the second pass and the bullets struck the Kamikaze plane smoking, but the Kamikaze pilot tries to ram the Corsair. Jerry avoids the collision by yanking his stick back causing the Kamikaze plane to plunge into the water.

Climbing, he spots the Kamikaze down at 2 o'clock low while the Americans continue dogfighting with other Kamikazes. Jerry brings down the fourth Kamikaze in his first pass, until he spots a Kamikaze off in the distance. Jerry continues to engage the fifth Kamikaze with his speed advantage. He takes a deep breath and fires at the Kamikaze and explodes. Jerry regroups with Frank and the Death Rattlers.

INT. FRANK'S CORSAIR - CONTINUOUS

FRANK

(on radio) All Kamikazes are shot down, Jerry. Not a single Jap plane strike on the Allied Fleet.

INT. JERRY O'KEEFE - CONTINUOUS

JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE

(on radio) Well done, boys! Let's go home.

EXT. USS WHITE PLAINS - FLIGHT DECK - SUNSET

The Corsairs land on the American escort carrier's flight deck. Jerry O'Keefe and Frank meet each other again after the end of Kamikaze campaign.

FRANK

Jerry, you're an ace!

JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE

Yes, Frank. We've brought down 17 Kamikazes without hitting our fleet at Okinawa.

FRANK

Too bad we didn't get a chance to say goodbye to President Roosevelt.

JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE

I know it's hard to explain, Frank. That's why his Vice President took over the office.

FRANK

Who's running the White House?

JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE

Harry S. Truman.

FRANK

Harry S. Truman? I thought the war would never end.

JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE

As matter of fact, it is, Frank. Okinawa is taken and the Nazis surrendered to the Allies on both fronts.

FRANK

But we're about to invade Japan itself.

JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE

No, Frank. We're not going to invade Japan. Without the Jap Navy and ground forces, there's no one else to fight on both land and sea.

FRANK

And no bombers left for the Japs to bomb cities and ships.

JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE

Yes, and so are the Baka bombs.

FRANK

Baka? You mean Ohka?

JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE

That's what I'm afraid of, but luckily for us, not a single Baka bomb strikes our carriers at Okinawa.

FRANK

What's going to happen now?

JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE

The Soviet Union is going to liberate Manchuria.

FRANK

What's a Manchuria?

JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE

Manchuria is a part of China that was occupied by the Japs before the war begins.

FRANK

So where are we going now, Jerry?

JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE

Home.

FRANK

Home? Where?

JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE

Pearl Harbor.

FRANK

Then how come the British join us at Okinawa?

JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE

That's the other thing. After defeating the Nazis in Europe, the British decided to join us in the Pacific to finish the job.

FRANK

Man, the British are good with navy but not good enough for our navy because we have an industrial might against the Japs.

JEREMIAH JOSEPH O'KEEFE

Industrial might you say?

FRANK

Yes, Jerry. Let's go celebrate our
victory as war heroes.

Two American pilots return to their quarters as war heroes.

EXT. TASK FORCE 52 - SUNSET

USS White Plains and the rest of the Allied Fleet steam away from Okinawa. The war in the Pacific is over. The Japanese Kamikaze attack on Okinawa has failed. The Japanese Empire will never rise again in the Pacific. Thanks to the Allied airmen, the Marines secure Okinawa leaving the Japanese military forces and airfields lie in ruins.

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THE END