

## **Enemy Territory**

The Story of American CIA U-2 Pilot Francis Gary Powers

- A Graphic Novel by Francis Gary Powers Jr. and Walter Pfenninger

As seen in Steven Spielberg's
 Cold War thriller, Bridge of Spies

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Based on newly available information, the son of famed U-2 pilot Francis Gary Powers presents the facts and dispels misinformation in a Graphic Novel format about the Cold War espionage program that turned his father into a Cold War icon. According to Francis Gary Powers, Jr. "The missions were risky. However, during the Cold War they were almost the only way for the United States to obtain information about the Soviet Union's military strengths and weaknesses."

One of the most talked-about events of the Cold War was the downing of the American U-2 spy plane piloted by Francis Gary Powers over the Soviet Union on May 1, 1960. The event was recently depicted in the Steven Spielberg movie, *Bridge of Spies*. Powers was captured by the KGB, subjected to a televised show trial, and imprisoned, all of which created an international incident. Soviet authorities eventually released him in exchange for captured Soviet spy Rudolf Abel. On his return to the United States, Powers was exonerated of any wrongdoing while imprisoned in Russia, yet, due to bad press and the government's unwillingness to heartily defend Powers, a cloud of controversy lingered until his untimely death in 1977. He was posthumously awarded the Silver Star and the Prisoner of War Medal on behalf of a grateful nation.

Now his son, Cold War historian Francis Gary Powers, Jr. and acclaimed illustrator, Walter Pfenninger, have written this new account of Powers' life in Graphic Novel form. The result is a fascinating piece of Cold War history that sets the record straight for a younger generation of readers. Almost sixty-three years after the fact, this will be the definitive Graphic Novel account of one of the most important events of the Cold War. For more information or to order autographed copies visit the online store at <a href="https://www.GaryPowers.com">www.GaryPowers.com</a>.



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