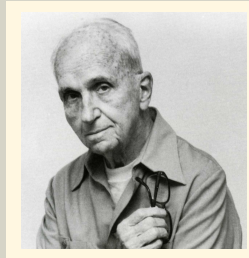


# Famous Author

Does tour of duty on Aitutaki during WW II



AUTHOR -

**JAMES A. MICHENER**

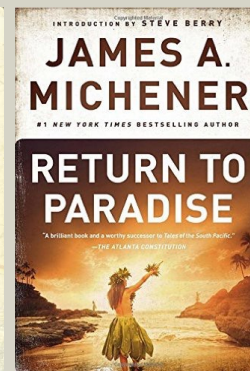
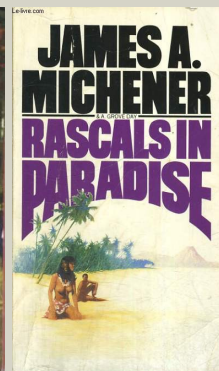
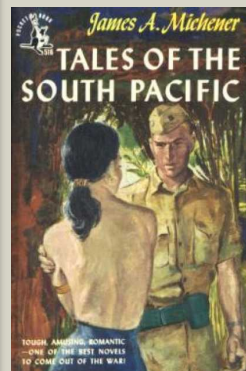
After a short stint of 22 days on Bora Bora, Tahiti, Lt. J.A. Michener was stationed for a short time from 4 Aug 1945 at the US base on Aitutaki. By this time the US military presence on Aitutaki had been reduced to a token garrison of 2 officers and 10 enlisted men.



The young US  
Navy  
Lieutenant  
James A.  
Michener

Heavily influenced by his experiences serving in the Pacific Islands, Michener's Pulitzer Prize-winning book, "Tales of the South Pacific", is a collection of sequentially related short stories about World War II, written in 1946 and published in 1947.

Michener wrote several other books, pictured below, that were no doubt also based on his experiences in the Pacific during the war.



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