



Iwo Jima Day

The battle of Iwo Jima lasted from February 19, 1945 until March 26, 1945. On February 23, 1945, the American flag was raised at Iwo Jima by six United States Marines. Joe Rosenthal was awarded a Pulitzer Prize for his photograph of the raising of the flag. The U.S. military occupied Iwo Jima until 1968 when it was returned to Japan.