

The Unknown Soldier

*Some call me POW...
Some call me MIA...
Some say I can't go home again
Some say I choose to stay.*

*I'm the unknown soldier
Who you refuse to know
I'm the brother and the friend
You left so long ago.*

*I'm a farmer from Missouri
A soldier from St. Paul
I'm a sister's hero
I'm a name on the wall.*

*I'm the unknown soldier
The one you left behind
I'm the country boy from Texas
Who you never tried to find.*

*I'm someone's long-lost daddy
I'm my father's pride and joy
I was someone's gentle lover
And someone's little boy.*

*I'm the unknown soldier
With no more tears to shed
I'm the ghost of Christmas past
I'm the living dead.*

*I'm a sailor and a scholar
I'm the boy who lived next door
I'm the poet and the dropout
You sent to fight your war.*

*I'm the unknown soldier
Who dreamed you'd rescue me
I'm the man who understands
Only death will set me free.*

*How could you just forget me?
Should I forget you too?
You must try and bring me home
For I belong to you.*

*I'm the unknown soldier
Whose cries are all in vain
Would you finally come for me,
If you could feel my pain?*

*My country has betrayed me
But I've forgiven you
And, every night I pray to God
That he'll forgive you too.*

*I'm tired and I'm hungry
I'm lonely and I'm cold
I'm the unknown soldier
Whose been bought and sold.*

*If you would look around you
You would see my face
That man standing next to you
Could be here in my place.*

*I'm the unknown soldier
The one for who you cried
I'm the one that you can't face
The one they told you died.*

*We fought that war together
At Mugia and Pleiku
Had you been the one we left
I would have come for you.*

*I'm the unknown soldier
Who longs to be free
When you called I answered
How will you answer me?*

*I want to lie down beside you
I want to die in your arms
I just want you to hold me
And, help me to hang on.*

*I'm the unknown soldier
The one you threw away
Some call me POW...
Some call me MIA...*

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