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A Military Wife's Silent Fight

He's in the Army Strong and True
He's proud to wear the Red White and Blue
I stand behind him
A silent fight
With my heart, this homeland
But especially the night
When its ever so quiet
So still and so blue
I hear nothing else
But my heart beat for you
Your far away
In anouther's land
Without me there
To hold your hand
Phone calls and letters
I don't always get
Just a promise of Hope
Sometimes the only thing left
I hang onto Prayers
And my freinds for dear life
In hopes you come back to me
Your military wife

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A Military Wife's Worry

i've layed awake night after night
thinking of you and me and our life
what will become of the love we have found
will it endure the leaps and the bounds
can it sustain the long days of hell
while your away and i'm still right here
i long for the day that you will return
that smile on your face our love all anew
hoping and praying that phone doesnt ring
to once again take you away from this scene
i spend each day worried
my heart filled with fear
will my love come home
to dry all these tears
i wait and i worry
with no end in sight
where is my love now
is he alright tonight

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A Soldiers Dream

home is a place i lay my hat
polish my boots and play with the cat
i dont get comfortable i dont stay long
my duties to my country they always call
i'm not afraid to stand and fight
for your life or mine it all seems right
my home is something i rarely see
along with my loved ones my family none of these
so i cherish the time we spend the most
alone with each other our hearts and our thoughts
til one more time that we must part
and i'm put back on the endless chart
of x'd off days since my last depart
i long to see my home again
the days and nights they never end
i wonder will it ever be
that i can finally go home
relax and be free

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A Soldiers Home

I've sat here most of the day
Wondering what to you i'll say
To ease your pain and comfort you
Because i know your not home
And your feeling blue too
We seem to always be apart
Will this war, we're in, EVER STOP
Will our love for each other, endure the pain
Will it overcome the struggle, The fight, The strain
Will i find you once more, outside our door
You tired and weary, from the struggles of war
This home that you left, such a long time ago
Stands tall and strong, with a ribbon on the door
It signifies You, your struggle, your fight
And those of us who miss you
Each and Every night

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A Soldiers Light

What did i do
That you gave to me
A love that i can never see
That i'm still here lonely and sad
Feeling empty inside
Could i have been that bad
I try to be kind and gentle each day
Making up for mistakes
Made along the way
I miss him Lord
Each and every day
This you know
Cuz you hear me pray
I want nothing more
Than to hold him tight
And make him feel safe
For once in the night
Please Lord i pray
Just bring him home
So none of us
Have to be alone
Without the love
You gave to us
You made it yourself
And in you i trust
That he will be safe
Each and every night
That the angels will guide him
When there is no light

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A Soldiers Promise

I'm tired I'm weary
I'm in anouthers land
I fight for my country
I'm here for the stand
I wear my green's proudly
I'm tried and I'm true
I'm here for your family
I'm here for mine too
I gaurd these walls
So wolves wont attack
Don't worry my freind
I've got your back

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Being In Love With A Military Man

I have thought of the life
of a Military wife
Her struggles, her sorrows
of everyday life
Living without
the man of her dreams
While he is so far
Away it seems
They may never touch
Each other again
Exchange a kind word
Have supper with freinds
They may only have
The time that once was
It is gone, it has been
Its no more, it once was
The love she holds
In her heart for him
Will never diminish
Will never grow dim
For she fell in love
With a military man
He's her life, her heart,
Her dying end.

Dedicated to: SFC Shanks 'Come home Safely'

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Blue Star Mothers

Mom sits alone
Night after night
Worrying about me
In the dim of the light
Wondering if.....
Once again she will see
Her baby, her youngest
Her heart string from thee
Praying each and every night
That i'm okay
I'm gonna be alright
In God's hands
She lays her worry
She trusts in him
He's strong and sturdy
With each day that passes by
Some of them I know mom cries
Tears of joy and tears of pain
Moms hard work didnt go in vain
That little boy that you once knew
Is now a man, Tried and True
I'm the person I'am today I know
From your strength, your pain
Your unending goals
You may sit alone
Sometimes at night
But the Pride for me
Its shining so bright
Like a long lost beackon
You find in the night
My Blue Star Mother
Your the reason i fight

Dedicated to: Ms. Mary Ruth and All those single mom's who put there heart and soul into their little men...who we now know as 'our brave soldiers'..

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Earth Angels: We Chose

We chose to come here, We chose to fall
For what? These people dont hear our call
To save a few souls, To add to God's book
These people if they'd only look
Beyond this materialistic wake
They have no idea about their fate
They live in the here and now
Not seeing the angels, we're here and how
We help them each and every day
With not even a thankyou along the way
Most dont believe in us at all
Their blind Dear God, they're gonna fall

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For The Silent Soldiers Left Behind

not the ones who wear the green
but the ones unnoticed behind the scenes
the ones who endure the endless nights
the secret affairs without the fights
left with no money to care for their own
there soldier doesnt worry that we're all alone
the lies and deceit come hand in hand
when married to a soldier in command
they leave us here with one thing in sight
besides their duties other women of the night
they spend the money with no thought in mind
that their families have nothing
when their left behind
so here's to you who stand so proud
with honor and loyalty you are bound
you dont deserve to wear those greens
with the secrets and the lies...you hide behind these
I Am.....one of those wives left behind
to clean up the mess and their evil demise
to continue on a lonely fight
with a soldier who is no where in sight
i know i'm not the only one
who fights each day just to see the sun
to find a way to laugh sometimes
when so much pain is hidden inside
we may not be issued to you its true
that doesnt mean you can leave us blue
we're stronger than you'll ever be
this is one thing i have truly seen
you may be conditioned you may be trained
but you dont mind leaving behind the strain
so here's to you who leave to fight
your going to hell i pray each night
of course you know this isn't true
i'd never do that not even to you
so wear those greens with pride in mind
that you left your family desperate and behind
to fight this life all alone
no money no food no love to be shown

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Gifts From Above

Twass the night before xmas
And all through the house
Not a child was stirring
Not even our mouse
The stockings we're hung
On the livingroom wall
In hopes that the lottery
In our hands would fall
The cookies, the cakes
All finished with love
All the gifts and presents
Were sent from above
For this year our eyes can truely see
What christmas means, for them and me
It's about the Love, we share, you see
Not the presents or gifts, not even the tree
We've made it through some trying times
Cancer with the kids, cancer that was mine
But last year was the worst of all
In that burn ward, watching my son fall
Keeping the faith was my only call
Knowing my strength and love would be his all
We sit here now beneath this tree
Thanking God for each other and for being free
Happy Birthday sweet Jesus from us to thee
Thankyou..... for letting us all SEE

Dedicated to: my sons: my greatest accomplishment

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God Made Military Wives

i've helped many a freind thru out the years
hug her tight and dry her tears
keep her faithful to her man in green
remind her she is a part of his team
assured her more than many a night
that he was okay he's gonna be alright
looked into my freinds lonely eyes
and swore that would never be my demiz
now here i sit upon her thrown
it's lonely its wet and its damn sure cold
oh please god i beg you dont leave me here
i dont want to love a soldier way over there
he smiled down gently and said child do not fear
im right behind you im bringing up the rear
i made you girls special you have nothing to fear
your so much stronger than you would appear
you'll need it child throughout the years
there'll be more than a few buckets of tears
i made you stronger to endure the lonely nights
i made you swifter than the northern lights
i made you tougher to endure the pain
of the suffering the hell the all out strain
your a perfect mold of his strength you see
your a soldiers wife, stand tall and be free

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He's Deployed

this military wife crap
it's too tough, it's so hard
to always be lonely
and forever be scar'd
with memories that you'll never see
of years of strife and misery
although these things you also see
in a different land far from me
will our love endure this time apart
or will war change you
as well as me in your heart
i long for the day
when you will return
your gun on the shelf
our lives now resumed
and hope i never have to hear you say
i love you baby
but i have to go away

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I'M A Military Girlfreind

i'm a military girlfreind
tried and true
i don't know alot about
this red white and blue
i'm confused about alot of things
this life, this war, this land
but the one thing that i do know
it has ahold of my beloved man
so i listen not to gossip
or the news of foreign lands
but to his voice each time he calls
telling me he's still my man.

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I'M A Soldier, A Brother, Of This Here War

I chose to fight,
for my country
my homeland
But this political garb
Its really not what I planned
We fight a war, that has no end
With people dying over religion
Not for Riches or Land
With both sides losing life
Going home to my loved ones
Isn't anywhere in sight
I take orders and do what I'm told
While I miss you, my family, back at home
I miss the smell of my wife's hair
And the way she snuggles next to me
Whenever i'm there
I miss hearing my granddaughters voice
And falling asleep on the couch, by choice
I miss having a beer with freinds
And polishing my harley from end to end
I miss alot of things you see
But my Honor, my Duties, all of these
Hold me steadfast and true
To the duties I implore
I'm a Soldier, A Brother, of this here War....

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Iraqi Bound

you left today
back to iraq
you took my heart
in that damn pack
i tried so hard
not to cry
but i felt like.....
i was dying inside
your on the plane
your flying high
and all i can do
is sit and cry
i fell in love
before you came
and now today
i feel the same
the love inside
beats hard and strong
i'll wait for you
no matter how long
be safe my love
come back to me
so this heart of mine
can finally be free

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Its Your Heart I'M Feeling

i sat down today
with you in mind
but whats new with that
your there all the time
i struggle each day
without you here
you being over there
is my worst fear
i smile and say
everything is alright
but deep down inside
its dark there's no light
i woke up this morning
and just realized
that these feelings i've had
there not even mine
there yours my darling
i've been confused have been blind
it's your heart i'm feeling
it hasnt been mine
your lonely your sad
and your feeling blue
i know how it is
i'm there with you to
so when your lying
awake in the night
remember im there
everything is alright

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Left Behind 'A Soldiers Wife'

Here i sit
All night alone
Thinking of you
Wishing you we're home
Knowing your day
Has just begun
Your mission, patrol
Whichever one
I dont know what you do over there
The lives you touch
Or if anyone cares
That I sit alone
Each and every night
Without you here
To hold me tight
No one watches over me
But your over there
Keeping us all free
So I'll hold onto wishes
Dreams and Prayers
And the pride for you
And the burdeons you bear
Til one day i can finally see
You at home
Happy and Free
But most of all
Standing next to me

Dedicated to: all of us left behind to carry on without the ones that keep us going
in the first place..Keep the faith girls: Their coming home! ! ! !

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Loving A Soldier

i'm laying in bed now
its lonely and cold
trying to sleep
it's endless and old
my nights seem to linger
on memories of you
the visions i have
and the dreams i hold true
you may not be here now
you may be afar
but my love is still with you
wherever you are

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Me And You (A Military Spouse's Freind)

we sat down today
with a plan in mind
of writing a book
our thoughts we will bind
together with love
thru months maybe years
of heart break and love
and never ending tears
we stick together like elmers glue
she helps me out
and i help her to
we may sometimes stumble
we may lose the fight
but my freind is there to help me
get through the night
we both may cry
each and everyday
for our soldiers, our husbands
who are so far away
but one thing
we both know is true
we're here for each other
me and you

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Military Strife

i heard the stories
of military life
our men aren't faithful
neither are most wives
there far away from home at night
while someone else holds them tight
i'm truely astonished
i can't believe
that god would give
this life to me
how did this happen
what did i do
that i let my heart
fall in love with you
i held onto.....
that peice of me
so long now
i can't even see
that i let you in
oh god why me
this fate this life
do i really need
this man.....
that i will rarely see
i'll be alone
most every night
wondering if it's her
your holding tight

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Missing A Soldier

The silence at night
Is the hardest to bare
Knowing when i roll over
You won't be there
Your pillow is there
As if never touched
With that big bald head of yours
I Love So Much
I miss your fatigues
At the laundry room door
The aroma.....
I haven't really experienced before
The up early mornings
The long endless nights
The days that i worry
Hoping everything is alright
You leave us behind
with no worries no foes
With wolves at your heels
And demons at your doors
We dont really care
Upon how you return
Your loved ones
Your family
Its not our concern
We only wish one thing
And this we all Pray
That you All come home safely
And come home to stay

Dedicated to: SFC Shanks 'I miss you baby'

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My Angels

I wrote this poem
For my Mom and Dad
It's been along time
Since i held their hands
They each died, in my arms you see
Their last dying breathe, i did see
a day and a half apart
It Damn sure did
Break my heart
Alone in that house
I was dying inside
But i never let anyone, see my cry
I held that in, deep down inside
I still have the scars
But there easier to hide
I still sit down and cry sometimes
I miss them so, it aches inside
God broke something inside me
Both those days
To teach me a lesson
To make me brave
I miss them both, each and everyday
But i know there with me
every step of the way
They taught me everything i know
To stand tall, be proud, Never give in, Dont let go
I hear them inside my heart you see
Guiding me, Steering me, Lighting my way
So i listen ever so closely now
To the whispers, the wind
And i know somehow
That they're still there
Watching over me
Standing tall, keeping watch
Their my angels, you see

Dedicated to: Bonnie and Don Rich 'i miss you so much'
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My Military Home

No one will come between you and me
Your the sugar that added to my sweet tea
Your the lights hung gently, on my front door
Your the yellow ribbon, stretched across the porch
Your every single breathe i take
Your my world, your my everything, make no mistake
That God put you here, just for me
And in my heart you'll always be
No one will ever take your place
Fill your shoes or the empty space
So here is where i sit and wait
For you, My Love, as long as it takes
Don't be sad Baby, dont feel blue
I'm waiting right here, at home, just for you
But always know where my heart will be
Where ever you are, Thats Home You See

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My Soldier's Plight

I left my home so long ago
It's walls and windows i no longer know
But the love i left inside that place
Fill's my heart, my soul, every empty space
She holds the fort down while i'm gone
She keeps my love, going ever strong
She never falters from her place
Of being my wife, my saving grace
She holds my love, steadfast and true
She's my military wife
She's my Red White and Blue

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Soldier's 'Of The Iraqi War'

I've thought about this country
This fighting, the war
Things that never really
Concerned me before
I've thought about our military
their struggles, their lives
And how hard it must be
On their families, their wives
The things they endure
For us all to be free
We take for granted
Everyday, you and me
Their without the ones
That truely care
But have a bond with their brothers
Thats beyond compare
They watch their comrades
Fall in vain
Holding onto much more
than just the pain
They carry the scars of war each day
With not many a thankyou along the way
They stand with there backs
Straight and tall at the door
With no fear in their eyes
When its again time to deplore
Straight into battle, into the core
Our Strong Brave Soldiers, 'of the Iraqi War'.

Dedicated to ALL our military men and women...Thankyou for what you endure
for us all to be free.

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Your Pain

i know your childhood was hard on you
your dad left.....right out of the blue
no explanation nor any goodbyes
who knows what he was thinking or his demise
your mom couldn't cope...it was so hard
the bottom of a bottle was better in a bar
you and your brother spent nights alone
filled with worry would they ever come home?
as time went on and you grew up
you held that in.....you bottled it up
you fell into.... that same kind of pain
thinking the bottle and running would ease your strain
women since then have come and gone
but the one you love, she did you wrong
there's only me.....left here to wait
worrying everyday about our fate
i know that women have caused you pain
but sweetheart....i'm not the one to blame
i'm the one thats waiting at the door
for you to come home from that nasty war
your thousands of miles away from me
fighting in a land that will never be free
i'm sorry so much pain has crossed your path
but believe me husband it will not last
if you'd just let go and believe in me
i'll never hurt you, if you'd only see
that my heart is true and sent from above
could you just for once stop! ! ! ! ! ! ! ! ! !
and believe in my love
it's waiting for you each and every day
i'd never hurt you and with this i pray
that your pain inside will find a way
to believe in me.....i Love you james.! !

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