



Dear American Soldier

*As the perilous, foreign soil
Bombards your hardened face
When the nights are lonely
And hard to embrace
The American heart
Beats with you
At a steady pace.*

*Though fierce battle may exhaust
Your human will to tarry
When your courage fails
And your eyes are tearing
The American spirit
Will strengthen you
When weary.*

*And when this present day enemy
Is bound and depleted
No more on our homeland
Will this evil be repeated
The American soldier
Will return in glory
With pride undefeated.*

*The blessed sanctity of America
Is once again restored
Rejoicing your homecoming
Will last until morn'
The American people
Will honor your duty
For which you were born.*

*Kelly Cross Oakes
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