

## *The VETERANS' HYMN*

YOU [G] HERO [BM] SONS AND [C] DAUGH- [G] TERS  
WHOSE [EM] LIVES WERE [D] RISKED IN [G] WAR  
AC- [C] CEPT THE [G] THANKS OF A [AM] GRATEFUL [G] NATION  
[EM] NOW THAT YOUR [F] BATTLE'S [C] O'ER:  
[D] SIN- [G] CERE THE [D] PRAYERS OF A [C] GRATEFUL [G] NATION  
THAT [AM] YOU NEED [D] FIGHT NO [G] MORE!

ON [G] NAMELESS [BM] ISLANDS, [C] ANGRY [G] SEAS  
ON [EM] BURNING [D] DESERT [G] SANDS  
IN THE [C] HEAT OF THE [G] JUNGLE  
ON [AM] COLD ROCKY [G] BEACHES  
IN [EM] CRUEL AND [F] DISTANT [C] LANDS [D] YOU  
[G] GAVE YOUR [D] ALL SO THAT [C] FREEDOM'S [G] TORCH  
COULD BE [AM] RAISED BY [D] WORTHY [G] HANDS!

AND WE [C] BLESS THE [G] NAMES  
OF [C] THOSE [G] WHO HAVE [AM] DIED  
WHO [F] GAVE THEIR [EM] LIVES UN- [F] SELF- [G] ISH- [AM] LY:

[C] NO GREATER [G] LOVE THAN [AM] THIS  
THAN TO [C] LAY DOWN YOUR [G] LIFE -  
[C] YOUR [G] LIFE [AM] FOR AN- [E] O- [AM] THER!

THE [G] SPLENDOR [BM] OF YOUR [C] GIFT TO [G] US  
WILL [EM] SHINE THROUGH [D] HISTO- [G] RY  
YOUR [C] SACRI- [G] FICE IN THE [AM] CAUSE OF [G] JUSTICE  
[EM] WOND'ROUS [F] LEGA- [C] CY!  
[D] LET US [G] AL- [D] WAYS BE [G] GRATEFUL  
TO THE [C] VETERANS [G] OF OUR [D] NA- [EM] TION  
AS TO- [AM] DAY WE STAND [D11] STRONG [D7] AND [G] FREE!