

A Soldier's Hymn

Steve Carter, sung to the tune "Danny Boy"

Oh valiant heart, the pipes, the pipes are callin'.
From far away they mark the battle's tide.
My time has come... I lie amongst the fallen,
Though you must fight 'tis here I will abide.

If you return when peace has come upon us
Or when my grave is hushed and white with snow,
'Tis then I hope you'll think of me with fondness,
And kneel to pray awhile before you go.

if you approach when all about are crying
And if I hear you treading soft above
I'll know you've found the place where I am lying,
'Tis there I sleep caressed by those I love.

Although I rest beneath a place of sorrow,
I've no regrets for what I've gone and done,
Because for me there'll be a bright tomorrow
When ere I wake to see God's risen son.