

What's Left of the Flag

Flogging Molly

His eyes they closed
and his last breath spoke
he had seen all to be seen
a life once full
now an empty vase
wilt the blossoms
on his early gravewalk away me boy
walk away me boy
and by morning we'll be free
wipe that golden tear
from your mother dear
and raise what's left
of the flag for me
then the rosary beads
count them 1 2 3
fell apart as they hit the floor
in a garb of black
we must pay respect
to the color we're born to mournwalk away me boys
walk away me boys
and by morning we'll be free
wipe that golden tear
from your mother dear
raise what's left
of the flag for me
In his place there grew
an angry festered wound
filled with hatred and remorse
where I pick and scratch
'til the blood amassed
to silent rage now that fills my lungs
for there are many ways
to kill a man they say
with bayonet, axe or sword
but son a bullet fired
from a shapeless guise
just leaves the shell of a Thompson gunwalk away me boys
walk away me boys
and by morning we'll be free
wipe that golden tear
from your mother dear
raise what's left

of the flag for me from the east out to the western shore
where many men and many more will fall
but no angel flies with me tonight
though freedom reigns on all
and curse the name for which
we slaved our days
so every man chose Kingdom Come But sure as night turns day
it's the passion play
oh my God
what have they done
with madman's rage
well they dug our graves
but the dead rise again you fool walk away me boys
walk away me boys
and by morning we'll be free
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