

# Soldier's Song

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I met my enemy today  
Baby sends the little one out to play  
Enemy shot until my body's down  
Baby rides the little one on the merry-go-round  
By my post, I'm standin' guard  
And baby hopes for roses in the front yard  
I don't know my enemy's name  
Baby takes the little one to the baseball game  
I'm on this godforsaken place  
Baby washes the dirt off the little one's face  
Ten year olds in the killing fields  
Baby's planning her weekly meals  
Bodies in body ditch  
Baby's got a supper to fix  
My buddy's got a hole in his head  
Baby's got the little one ready for bed  
Today I shot my enemy  
Baby gives the little one a hug for me  
Both my buddies' legs got blown off

Baby tends to the little one's cough  
I stare down the barrel of a gun  
Baby's goin' out to have some fun  
I hear ringin' in my ears  
Baby's face is all wet with tears  
I hear echoes of shots  
Baby's only thinkin' sweet thoughts  
Why in the hell did they send me here to fight?  
Baby kisses my picture and turns off the light  
I can't look my enemy in the eye  
Baby tells the little one, "Daddy's gone bye-bye"  
Today I took a bullet through the heart  
Baby's gonna have to make a brand new start  
I met my enemy today  
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