

Sending the Old Man Home

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They're sendin' the old man home

Back where the buffalo roam

Out in the pacific, they say he was the best

Now he's in his "civies", headin' home like all the restHe'll never forget rosa lee

Or sleepless nights he fought upon the sea

He'll only have the memories

Or great books by james jones'cause they're sendin' the old man homeFaraway (faraway)

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Another life so very far awayThey'll tear down the officers clubs

And write off the overdue subs

So let's drink to their memories

Our heroes and our pals

To those crazy navy flyers

To those swell hawaiian galsThe sailors will dance in the street

Then they'll mothball the whole damn fleet

We'll only have the picture books

Of land, and sea, and foam'cause they're sendin' the old man homeHe'll only have his memories

Or great books by james jones

'cause they're sendin' the old man homeNotes -

Background vocals: jimmy buffett, james taylor, deborah mccoll

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