Cairo Walls

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Don't point your guns at me

I am a friend

Blood runs the same as you

I love my country

But my country has sinned

Changes are overdueSo don't turn your back on millions of people

just trying to tell you what's wrong

This land is your land

This land is my land

This land has been bleedin' too longAnd my brother was chased by the white hats

And my brother was only nineteen

And my brother was shot by a sniper

And my brother he died in the street

And my brother was beat by policeman

and he died on a prison floor

And my brother he fought in Vietnam

And my brother was killed coming home from the war

And my brother was killed in his hometownWe wear the stars and stripes

And they're painted in the heart of the country

We saw America die

It was written on the Cairo WallsAnd my sister was gassed at the protest

And my sister was told not to speak up

And my sister was taken in handcuffs

And my sister was moved to the back of the bus

She was told not to eat in your restaurants

She was told not to swim in your swimming pools

She was told not to work in your factories

She was told not to vote in your elections

She was told that she was worth nothingWe watched the railroad wind

through the broken heart of the country

We saw America die

It was written on the Cairo WallsAnd my brother he marched down on Washington

And my brother he inspired millions

And my brother he spoke for equality

And my brother was shot on a balcony

And my brother was shot at the theater

And my brother was shot from a grassy knoll

And my brother was shot in a stairwell

And my brother was shot in a doorway

And my brother was shot in a church house
And my brother was killed in a chokehold
And my brother was shot in Chicago
And my brother was shot down in Ferguson
And my brother was shot with his hands up
And my brother was shot with his hands up
And my brother was shot with his hands upWe wear the stars and stripes
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