

Valiant of Vimy by Rebecca Lappa

V1

My name is Private Pattison  
I came across the ocean deep  
To face the blood and machine gun fire  
As I climbed the Ridge so steep

V 2

The screams of shock were deafening  
Wed tell tales to hide our fears  
Over burnt coffee and cigarette smoke  
Every night we'd sing with cheer

Chorus

Lay me down beside my brothers  
Should the Lord He call me home  
We will never be forgotten  
Even when we act alone  
May your courage and your bravery  
Always bring you safely back  
Warriors I salute you  
Go shake the devil off your back

V3

T'was April 10, 1917  
Our troop was trapped by German barrage  
Good men were mowed down where they  
stood  
I had to act or all was lost

V4

So I leapt from hole to hole  
Grenades flew from my hands  
Under the hail of heavy fire  
I impaled the gunner by bayonet

Last Chorus

They laid me down beside my brothers  
And the Lord He called me home  
I will never be forgotten  
Even though I stood alone  
Though my courage and my bravery  
Didn't bring me safely back  
Alberta I salute you  
Go shake the devil off your back