Ty England, Travelin' Soldier

Tow days past eighteen

He was waitin' for the bus in his army greens Sat down in a booth a caf there Gave his order to the girl with a bow in her hair He's a little shy but she gave him a smile So he said would you mind sittin' down for a while And talkin' to me I'm feelin' a little low She said I'm off in an hour and I know where we can go So they went down and sat on the pier He said I bet you got a boyfriend and I don't care I've got no one to send my letters to Would you mind if I sent one back here to you

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Well the letters came >From an army camp In California then Vietnam And he talked about his heart It might be love

And all of the things he was so scared of Said when it's gettin kinda tough over here I think about that day sittin' down at the pier And close my eyes I see you pretty smile Now don't worry but I won't be able to write for a while

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One Friday night at a football game The Lord's Prayer said and the anthem sang The man said folks bow your heads For the list of local Vietnam dead Crying all alone under the stands Was a piccolo player in the marching band And one name read and no one really cared But a pretty little girl with a bow in her hair