

**Heros And Heroines**  
**Mary Chapin Carpenter**

**F**                    **Dm**                    **F**                    **Dm**    **Bb**  
1.) Heros and heroines are scarcer than they ve ever been  
**F**                    **Dm**                    **Bb**                    **Gm**                    **C**  
So much more to lose than win the distance never greater  
**F**                    **Dm**                    **F**                    **Dm**                    **Bb**  
Way back when you made history by flying planes across the sea  
**F**                    **Dm**                    **Bb**                    **F**  
Embarking on your odyssey You put away the danger  
**Bb**                    **Gm**                    **Bb**                    **F**  
Heaven bless the one who flies A pioneer on frontier skies  
**Dm**                    **Bb**                    **Gm**                    **C**  
The world was dark and your only mark Was the light of the northern star  
**Bb**                    **Gm**                    **Bb**                    **F**  
I imagine what was in your eyes The seeds of rust and days gone by  
**Dm**                    **Bb**                    **Gm**                    **F**  
Your wings hang in a gallery sky I wonder how you re flying

2.)Way out on the western plains  
The snow drifts high and the dust wind burns  
The chinooks blow their winds Across the mountains  
A life that s never safe and dry rodeos and riding high  
Ladies and their men get by on six guns and white lightening.  
Heaven bless them on the road those drifters and their dreams of gold  
The world was wide and a cowboy s song could span the whole horizon  
I imagine what was in your eyes  
The dust and the dirt under out law skies  
A piece of land and a stubborn mind were the only things worth having

lead

3.)Now they say the moon is dust and ash and California s made of cash  
We re waiting for those hills to crash into sparkling waters  
Rain and snow and sun and wind  
You roamed the earth and you spread your wings  
Long ago my hero s dreams belonged to all God s creatures  
Heaven bless the ones who sleep The ones who laugh and the ones who weep  
Heaven bless the one who keep their bearings strong and certain  
And Lord help the fool who said You d better quit while you re ahead  
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