

Til The Last Shots Fired

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There is a lot of picking in this song (not much strumming) not to mention a plethora of other instruments giving an overwhelming and eerie effect to the music. But I tried to find the chords as best I could in the conglomeration of instruments.

Intro:

G#m	Esus4	
----- -2-----	-0-----	
----- -2---pick individual-	-2-----	
----- -2---strings after---	-3-----	x2
-----2-- -4---the downbeat---	-0-----	
--2-4--- -4-----	-0-----	
----- -2-----	-x-----	

Verse 1

G#m	G#m/F#	E	E/E	E/F#
I	was	there	in	the
winter	of	64,	camped	in
the	ice	at	Nashville	s
door.				

B	B/G#	G#m	F#	F#/C#	E
Three-hundred	miles	our	trail	had	led,
we	barely	had	time	to	bury
our	dead.				

E	F#	F#	F#/C#	E
When	the	yankees	charged	and
the	colors	fell,	Overton	Hill
was	a	living	hell.	

E	F#
When	we
called	retreat
it	was
almost	dark,

F#	F#/C#	EmaJ7
I	died	with
a	grape-shot	in
my	heart.	

Chorus

E	F#	G#m	E	E/C#	F#sus4	F#
Say	a	prayer	for	peace,	for	every
fallen	son.					

E	F#	G#m	E	E/C#	F#sus4	F#
Set	my	spirit	free,	let	me	lay
down	my	gun.				

C#m	C#m/Eb	E
Sweet	Mother	Mary,
I	m	so
tired,		

E	E/E	G#m	F#
but	I	can	t
come	home	til	the
last	shot	s	fired.

Verse 2

G#m G#m/F# E E E/E E/F#
In June of 1944, I waded in the blood of Omaha s shore.

B B/G# G#m F# F#/C# E
Twenty-one and scared to death, my heart poundin in my chest.

E F# F# F#/C# E
I almost made the first sea wall, when my friends turned and saw me fall.

E F#
I still smell the smoke, I can taste the mud,

F# F#/C# Emaj7
as I lay there dying from a loss of blood.

Chorus

Interlude

E F#
I m in the fields of Vietnam, the mountains of Afghanistan,

E F#
And I m still hopin , waitin , prayin I did not die in vain.

Chorus (reprise)

E F# G#m E E/C# F#sus4 F#
Say a prayer for peace, for every fallen son.

E F# G#m E E/C# F#sus4 F#
Set our spirits free, let us lay down our guns.

C#m C#m/Eb E
Sweet Mother Mary, We re so tired,

E E/E G#m
but We can t come home til the last shot s fired.

E G#m E
Til the Last Shot s Fired.

[closing chorus is a cappella]