## **Bella Blue**

## **Albert Hammond**

Down in the parkway at noon every day No matter what time of year Pigeons will gather from all over town Waiting for her to appear

As she fed the birds a stale crust of bread I sat beside her each day Asking her what she remembered Of Paris in her yesterday

Bella Blue
Dancing to candles in dresses of Spanish lace
Bella Blue
She was famous with all the young men for her lovely face

Then it was wartime, she lowered her voice One special boy on her mind He was so handsome and so full of life She misses him all the time

They hurriedly wed, then he went away Never to come back again War left a scar for a lifetime Now she leaves flowers for him

Bella Blue Dropping her tears like a rose in the pouring rain Bella Blue All she has of her soldier today is her married name

The winter was harsh, much colder than most I hadn't seen Bella Blue When I went back to the parkway She wasn't there and I knew

Bella Blue
After a lifetime of waiting she's not alone
Bella Blue
I hope she and her soldier have finally found a home

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