## **Christmas Where You Are - Military Tribute**

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Tis the 25th day of December
In a season best to remember
The blessings and bows
And mistletoes
Are not without tolls
Guardian souls
A soldier has a soldier's duty
That takes no holiday
So because you're far from home this winter
There's one thing I'd like to say

Thank you for the gift of freedom
That lights these holy stars
Thank you for each and every Christmas tree
Across this sacred land of ours
May angels fly beside you
May Heaven steal your hearts
May God remind you in his grace
Though tonight I cannot touch your face
It doesn't matter if you're near or far
It's Christmas where you are

Your chair is empty at the table
Still, I take your hand
As we pray for peace in this small world
On our knees, we stand
Of this body, of this nation
You are the heart and spine
So to each great generation
Of heroes down the line

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Everyday is memorial day
Every day the 4th of July
Let all religions celebrate
The freedom that you provide
For if we stand together
We will never fall
Merry Christmas to the one I love
Merry Christmas to one and all

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That lights these holy stars
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May God remind you in his grace
Though tonight I cannot touch your face
When home seems a hundred million miles away
Just close your eyes and you will see his sleigh
It's doesn't matter if you're near or far
It's Christmas where you are