

Another Man's Cause

The Levellers

Gunshots shatter the peace of night
It's just another fire fight
For the people of this little town
But for the dying soldier
Well, he's feeling ten years older
As he's lying face down on the ground
All the words that are in his head
Are all the words his mother said
As she would put him to bed back home

Your daddy, well he died in the Falklands
Fighting for another man's cause
And your brother he was killed in the last war
Now your mother's, well she's lying home alone

Every day she sees your face
On the picture on the fireplace
With your brother as he was leaving school
Then a day came five years ago
You said "mother, I need to know"
And you spoke the words your brother spoke before
"I've seen the things my daddy's done
And I've seen the medals that he's won
And I know this is what he would have wanted-for me"
But

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Now she wonders at it all
Just in his name did he break, your heroes fall
And how many more are gonna answer the call
They're gonna fight, fight and die in another country's war
They're gonna die for religion, they didn't believe in at all
They're gonna die in a place, they should never been at all
Oh, never been at all
'Cause

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