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## Freedom's Cost

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Freedom's Cost...

I am an American fighting man  
As was my father before me  
Both have sworn to do all we can  
To keep our country free

Men before us have fought and died  
For reasons which didn't seem clear  
While mothers and widows cried  
To keep the freedoms we hold dear

No restrictions on what we say  
Where we can or cannot tread  
To whom we choose to pray  
Freedoms won through bloodshed

No other country need even begin  
America in battle defeat  
Our country is being destroyed from within  
By people who live on our own street

Prevention it seems is of no use  
To stop this awful war  
Violent crimes, protests, drugs, and child abuse  
Happening here at our front door

America the Beautiful; what a great land?  
Freedom to choose; that's what we brag  
One thing that I cannot understand...  
...what makes Americans burn their own flag?

~ Bobby Martin '91  
Desert Storm