Eulogy of the Common Soldier

Description

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> CANTON â€“ When 1st Lt. Aaron Seesan died in combat on May 22, 2005, in Iraq, his parents did not know he had written a prescient poem, Ã¢â‚¬Å“Eulogy of the Common Soldier,Ã¢â‚¬Â• as a high-school senior six years earlier.
> [â€¦]

Here is the poem:

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> EULOGY OF THE COMMON SOLDIER
>
> All mortal beings, which God brought forth, die the same
> Man is not exempt
> All will inevitably end as the dust from whence we came
> It matters not of age
> Do not mourn me if I should fall in a foreign land
> Think this of my passing
> In a far-off field a finer soil mixed with the foreign sand
> A dust that is American
> A dust that laughed, cried, and loved as an American
> On this plot there shall be
> A little piece of America, a patch for the free man
> Which no oppressor can take
> From this soil grows grass shimmering a little greener
> Brilliant emerald ramparts
> A Breeze whisping White Poppies with scent a little sweeter
> Flowers towards heaven
> Mourn not my terrible death but celebrate my cause in life
> Viewed noble or not
> I would have sacrificed and gave all that I had to give
> Not to make man good
> But only to let the good man live.
>
> Ã¢â‚¬â€• Aaron Seesan

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