

## The Greens of Vietnam

A draft dropped through my letterbox  
Signed by Uncle Sam  
It said we are gonna teach you how to kill  
Then you're going to Vietnam.

I had only ever killed time in my life  
And shot a few red lights  
And the thought of me dying in a war  
Buried my soul in fright.

Then I was sent to boot camp  
Who turned my tender body inside out  
Then the man inside this boy  
Saw what this bloody war was all about.

We were always fighting an enemy  
Who could hide behind a leaf  
Set lethal traps of death  
And were also walking under our feet.

It was impossible to win this war  
We couldn't shoot what we couldn't see  
And American blood was everywhere  
In this hell of hide and seek.

Thousands of brave boys sadly died  
Many more were wounded too  
In a war remembered for many things  
None more so than the truth.

People in every State were protesting  
Against this bloody war  
And it got the whole world talking  
It became a universal jaw.

When we came back home on leave  
We too, suffered untold scorn  
Even though our hearts were bleedin'  
For our buddies lost in war.

And I've had my share of ups and downs  
In the life I've battled since  
Memories triggered a mental breakdown  
My mind cannot be rinsed.

May God Bless America  
And the peace which it may bring  
Instead of chasing after death  
In this world of suffering.

War has never ceased  
Since history began  
And I'm an old Soldier who killed in a war  
The Greens of Vietnam.