

My Mother The War

10,000 Maniacs

She borders the pavement
Flanks avenues
The parades pass
White glove attended by

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She'll raise a shaft
Lift a banner
Toss a rose

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She knows every neighbor
Chats at their doors
Compare
Econosize electric appliances
Come share tea
And a seat by my
Cradle with

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Forsaken vigil
Three years each tour
Hands of God enfold him
Prayed mother of the war
Haunt a doorway
Beg a postman
Is there word
For mother the war

5 black stars

In bitter defiance
She's spitting the corps
Wet a brood
Short league for combat

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Well acquainted
With sorrow
With grief

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Folded lace
Carrion and
Blood soaked robes
Folded lace
Carrion
Blood soaked
Shroud

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