Ballad of the Green Beret

Dolly Parton

Fighting soldiers from the sky Fearless men who jump and die Men who mean just what they say The brave men of the Green Beret

Silver wings upon their chest These are men, America's best One hundred men we'll test today But only three win the Green Beret

Trained to live, off nature's land Trained in combat, hand to hand Men who fight by night and day Courage deep from the Green Beret

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Delta Force and CIA Marines and SOCOM clear the way Covert missions now in play Special OPS like the Green Beret

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While back at home a young wife waits Her Green Beret has met his fate He has died for those oppressed Leaving her this last request

Put silver wings on my son's chest Make him one of America's best He'll be a man they'll test one day So have him win the Green Beret Have him win the Green Beret

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