## WE ARE THE RAIDER 19

God bid us rise from the sand where we reposed
For years we slept while you wept
We waited for this day when we say our final farewell to you
There is no need to mourn again
We are now in Gods command
So march the caisson slowly once pass the sacred ground
Where buddies wait for us to join them in everlasting sleep
Let the sound of rifles fill the morning air
Have the bugler sound taps one last time
This isn't good by it's only so long till we meet again
On heavens welcomed shore
Semper Fi Marines

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