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Slow Waltz

Intro. f *ff* *DIM-E-RALL*

Voice

There sleeps to - night a - cross the sea, On a bat - tle field in France, - - - A
Be - neath the Stars and Stripes at dawn, A he - ro fought and fell, - - - He

p

gol - den haired young sol - dier boy, Who led our first ad - vance. - - - He died while
an - swered to his coun - try's call, And did his du - ty well. - - - He gave his

RIT.

in the bat - tle, - - - At the dawn - ing of the day, - - - And just be - fore he
life to save the flag, Which marks his grave to - day, - - - And to his com - rades

Chorus

The musical score is arranged in three systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The piano part includes a dynamic marking of *mf* (mezzo-forte) in the second system. The lyrics are: "closed his eyes, His comrades heard him say: --- When I'm gone just write to Mother o'er in camp, This flag still seems to say: --- Tell her how I fought and fell; --- How I kept Old Glory waving, --- 'Mid a rain of shot and shell. -- When I'm gone just tell my country, That I led our first advance; That I died a fighting Sammy, On a battlefield in France. ---"

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