## **Vietnam Blues**

## **Dave Dudley**

I was out on the leave at the time just duckin' the fog nosin' around like a hungry dog In that crazy place called Washington DC I saw a crowd of people on the White House lawn all carrying si gnes about VietNam So I went over to see what was goin' on It was a strange looking bunch but then I never could understan d some people Oh a fellow came to me with a list in his hand he said we're ga therin' names to send The telegram of sympathy then he handed me a pen I said I reckon this is goin' to kids and wives My friends over there who're givin' their lives He said ah ah buddy this is goin' to Ho-Chi-Min I said Ho-Chi who he said Ho-Chi-Min people's leader North VietNam Oh I wasn't really sure I was hearin' him right I though I'd better move before I got in a fight Cause my ears were hurtin' and my ball started hit my lick Then I thought of another telegram that I've just read Tellin' my buddy's wife that her husband was dead It wasn't too long till I was feelin' downright sick Another held the sign that said we won't fight I thought to myself boy ain't that right To leave a lot of our soldiers die instead I said it's a shame that every man who ever died up there that far off land Was dyin' for that you wouldn't have to wake up dead Course he looked at me like I was kinda crazy just another warm onger Oh I left that place and I went downtown and hit first bar that I'd found To cool myself off and pacify my brain You see I was on orders to VietNam little old place just north to Saigon Had about an hour to catch myself a plane So all I mean to say is I don't like dyin' either but man I ain 't gonna crawl