

## Only a Memory

Magnum

Well, he was born, his father's pride and joy  
His young life scored before it began  
Dressed up in blue, his mother's only boy  
Someday this child would have to be a man

He went to school, shiny and white as pearl  
They did not teach things he should learn  
Things he would need in this deceitful world  
Which way to run or which way to turn

He became strong, everyone looked to him  
One of the boys, a beacon in the night  
And when he spoke, people would gather in  
They would stay close, he'd make them feel all right

One, one precious life  
Only a memory tonight  
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Only a memory to light  
The years of tenderness  
Make them burn bright

He wasn't scared, he had no fear at all  
Said his goodbyes and marched off to war  
And as he looked back he heard his mother call  
Said she'd be waiting at heaven's door

Soon to be killed, left on a muddy field  
And all of his thoughts were scattered just like seeds  
And he never knew, threw up his arms and reeled  
He felt no pain, his heart start to bleed

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Burn