

Happy 4th of July!....

Let' s get this started now,
So it will be out there on the fourth!



I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE
FLAG,
OF THE UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA ,

AND TO THE REPUBLIC, FOR
WHICH IT STANDS,

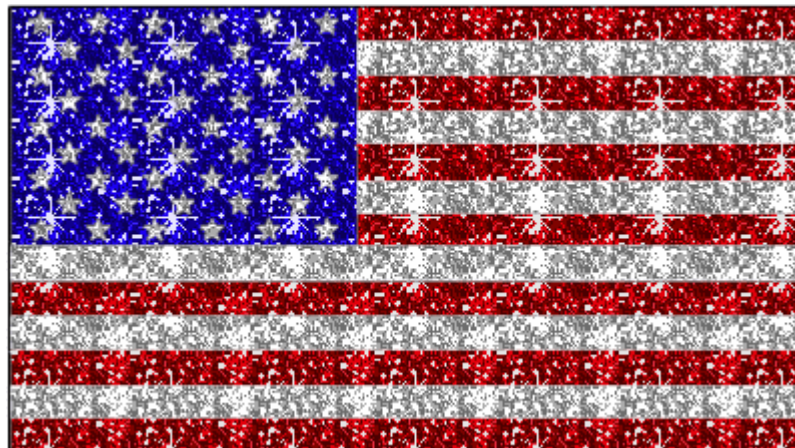
**ONE
NATION UNDER GOD,**

INDIVISIBLE,

WITH LIBERTY
AND JUSTICE FOR ALL!

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For all of our other military personnel, where ever they may be.
Please
Support all of the troops defending our Country!



And God Bless our Military

who are protecting our Country for our Freedom.
Thanks to them, and their sacrifices, we can celebrate the 4th of July.



We must never forget who gets the credit for the freedoms we have,
of which we should be eternally grateful.



I watched the flag pass by one day...
It fluttered in the breeze.



A young Marine saluted it,
And then he stood at ease.

I looked at him in uniform;
so young, so tall, so proud.
With hair cut square and eyes alert,
he'd stand out in any crowd.



I thought how many men like him
had fallen through the years.
How many died on foreign soil;
how many mothers' tears?



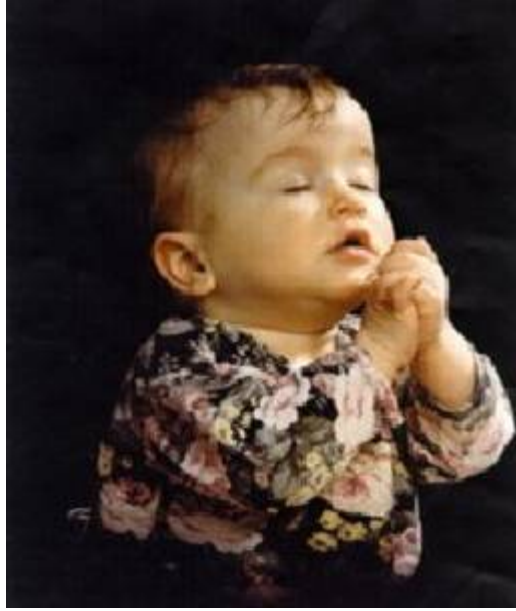
How many pilots' planes shot down?
How many died at sea?
How many foxholes were soldiers' graves?
No, freedom isn't free.



I heard the sound of Taps one night,
when everything was still.
I listened to the bugler play
And felt a sudden chill.

I wondered just how many times
That Taps had meant 'Amen.'

When a flag had draped a coffin
of a brother or a friend.



I thought of all the children,
of the mothers and the wives,
of fathers, sons and husbands
With interrupted lives.



I thought about a graveyard
At the bottom of the sea.

Of unmarked graves in Arlington .
No, freedom isn't free.



Enjoy Your Freedom

and
God Bless Our Troops.

When you read this,

please stop for a moment
and say a prayer for our servicemen.

Of all the gifts you could give a U.S. Soldier, prayer is the very best one!