In Memory of President Kennedy

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Quite some time has past since that November day when President John Fitzgerald Kennedy was laid away.

In the Arlington Cemetery in a much hallowed tomb.

And the world was saddened with grief and gloom.

In this grim world he did his duty well,

And worked for his country until he fell.

He will be remembered by all throughout the years.

As his passing brought much sorrow grief and tears.

Let us remember him as a man of peace,
And his honors be many and ever increase.
He has been greatly revered by folks on earth,
And was known for good fellowship and mirth.
He set a good example for all real folks
And was much amused with quips and jokes.
The world seems empty with much less to share
As we visualize his absence from his rocking chair.

He was a man of courage, action and zest,
And to all things worthy he gave his best.
He conducted all of his tasks with pride,
And was true to all trusts until he died.
He worked hard to gain more freedom for all,
And wished freedom for people great and small.
How lonely the world seems to be everywhere,
As we visualize with sadness his vacant chair.

He always tried during his short and busy life,
To avoid the conflicts that bring struggle and strife.
He was peaceful and would settle issues by arbitration,
Rather than to do something that would trouble the nation.
He was a great president and if giving time,
His plans and ideas would had worked out fine.
We must remember him as one with talents rare,
While in the presence of his empty rocking chair.

He was a good husband, father and family man, And he was proud of his ancestors, family and clan. He loved his children and was happy and gay, When ever they were with him to romp and play. God was his shepherd, and he was always glad, To be a true husband, kind father and dad. We give him praise and remember him in prayer, As we visualize him resting in his rocking chair.