Don’t Take My Darling Boy Away

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A mother was kneeling to
A hero is now laid to

pray.
For loved ones at war far away
And She

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there by her side, Her one joy and pride, Knelt down with her that fought with each son, The battles he'd won, And the battles that proved a
day, Then came a knock on the door, Your test; Tho' she never went to the war,
boy is commanded to war, No, Captain please, She was the hero by far, They gave the guns, But
Here on my knees, I plead for one I adore, who gave the sons, MOTHER

Don't take my darling boy away
CHORUS

Don't take my darling boy away from me,

Don't send him off to war,

You took his father and brothers three,

Now you come back for more;

Don't take my darling boy away
Who are the heroes that fight your wars, Mothers who have no say,

But my duty's done, so for God's sake leave one, And don't take my darling boy away,

Don't take my darling boy away

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