



Arlington  
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A rising sun chasing  
A fog a roiling  
O'er emerald waves of hills  
Lifting  
From white stones standing  
With crosses, stars  
And crescent moons  
...Dotting

Small white stones standing  
At attention standing  
In parade formation standing  
Rod straight standing  
O'er those who gave  
Those who stood o'er Democracy  
...Guarding

Flags lightly waving  
Air's weight quieting  
Yet,  
Birds are a singing  
An anthem they are singing  
Cheerfully saluting  
Those who gave  
While o'er Democracy  
...Standing

Across these fields rising  
O'er the brave resting  
Humble symbols marking  
Selfless sacrificing  
Of those who stood o'er  
Democracy  
...Guarding

For the free  
...The future protecting.