

Travelin' Soldier

Bruce Robison

A Verse 1

A D

Two days past eight- een. He was wait- in' for the bus in his ar- my greens. Sat down in a booth in a ca- fé there. Gave his

4 A

or- der to a girl_ with a bow_ in her hair._ He's a lit- tle shy so she gives him a smile. And he

6 D

said, "Would you mind sit- tin' down for a while and talk_ in' to me? I'm feel - in' a lit- tle low."

8 A G D A [Strings & accord. start]

She said, "I'm off in an hour and I_ know where we can go."_

11 [Bass starts]

So they went down and they sat on the pier. He said, "I bet you got a boy- friend but I don't care. I got

14 D A G D A

—no one. to send a let- ter to._ Would you mind if I_ sent_ one back here to you?"_

B Chorus

18 F#m D

I_ cried, nev- er gon- na hold the hand of an- oth- er guy._

20 A E

— Too young for him they told her. Wait- in' for the love of a trav- el - in' sol - dier.

22 **F#m** **D**

Our love will nev - er end. _ Wait - in' for the sol - dier to come back. a - gain.

24 **A** **E** **A**

— Ne - ver more to be _ a - lone when the let - ter said _ a sol - dier's com in' home. _____

27 **C** Verses 2 & 3 **A**

2. So the let - ters came _ from an ar - my camp in Cal - i - for - nia, then Vi - et - nam And he told
3. Fri - day night _ at a foot - ball game, the Lord's prayer and _ the An - them sang, _ a man

30 **D** **A** (Extra bar verse 4 only)

— her of his heart. It might be love and all _ of the things he was so scared of _ He
— said _ "Folks, would you bow your heads for a list _ of lo - cal _ Viet - nam dead. _

33

said, "When it's get - tin' kind of rough o - ver here, I think of that day sit - tin' down at the pier. And I close
Cryin' all a - lone _ un - der the stands was a pi - co - lo player in the march - ing _ band. _ On - ly

35 **D** **A**

— my eyes _ and see your pret - ty smile. _ Don't
one name read _ and no - body real - ly cared. _ but a

37 **G** **D** **A**

wor - ry, but I won't be a - ble to write _ for a while. _
pret - ty lit - tle girl _ with a bow _ in her _ hair. _

Verse 1 (solo + guitar) (strings start bar 10, bass starts bar 12)
Chorus
Verse 2
Chorus
Instrumental (verse)
Verse 3 (with extra bar in middle)
Chorus (sans last bar)
Chorus
Instrumental (A | D | A | D | etc.) (fades)