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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

I know this is late for Memorial day, but it could be used for a Patriotic program here in the USA (sorry to the others around the world, maybe you can get some ideas to adapt to your own country's flag), or for a flag presentation. Any way, I hope you enjoy it.

Star Hugs,

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The Brave, The Tried, The True

When you see the flag unfolding,  
Gently waving in the air;  
Look closely at the stars and stripes,  
And you will see them there.

In the red, you see the blood they shed,  
So our country could be free;  
Each life who gave is in the stripe,  
That speaks of liberty.

In the white you see the valor,  
Of those we won't forget;  
The pristine clearness of each stripe,  
Silent witness to each Vet.

And there behind the fifty stars,  
A solemn field of blue;  
A tribute to the tears we shed,  
For the brave, the tried, the true.

So, when you see the stars and stripes,  
The red, the white, the blue;  
Remember those it represents,  
The brave, the tried, the true.  
--by Allison Chambers Coxsey