

# Salute the Old Defender

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Music by George Schleiffarth (1897)  
Arr. by Daniel C. Meyer (ASCAP)

1 Smoothly (♩ = 88)

*mp* *rit.* *a tempo*

5 *mp*

1. Sa - lute the Old De - fend - er now, Nor ev - er fail to  
flow - ers each Mem - o - rial Day Where si - lent sol - diers

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greet The sol - dier bold, now grow - ing old, When - e'er you chance to  
lie; To those who live, pray ev - er give Earned hon - ors ere they

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meet. Thus prove that you are grate - ful now To one who pledged their  
die. And death can nev - er con - quer them; They fought in free - dom's

17 *mf*

life, And met the foe long years a - go In fierce and fear - ful  
name, Their vic - to - ries on land and seas Have won im - mor - tal

21 *mp*

strife. Oh, chil - dren of our glo - rious land, You have with - in your  
fame.

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keep, The mil - lion pass - ing war - riors and the mil - lion now a -

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sleep. So treas - ure well your her - it - age, 'Twill lus - tre 'round you

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shed. Show hom - age to the liv - ing now, Pay\_ trib - ute to the

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1. *mp* dead. 2. Strew

*mp* *rit.* *a tempo*

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2. *mf* dead. Show hom - age to the liv - ing now, Pay\_ trib - ute to the dead. *mp*

*mf* *mp*