

## **Kingston Trio**

# **"Ballad Of The Thresher"**

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Oh, the Thresher, the finest atomic ship  
That ever dived for the sea  
Each man on board was a volunteer  
Was there 'cause he chose there to be

Every man jack on board was a hero  
Every man jack on board there was brave  
Every man jack on board was a hero  
Each man risked a watery grave

Oh, their wives and their sweethearts came down to  
port  
Their last fond goodbyes there to say  
Each tried her best to be tearless and brave  
They promised to meet there some day

Every man jack on board was a hero  
Every man jack on board there was brave  
Every man jack on board was a hero  
Each man risked a watery grave

Then "Dive", said the Captain and we held our breath  
A sound like she'd broken in two  
That was the last we ever heard of her  
Last word we had of her crew

Every man jack on board was a hero  
Every man jack on board there was brave  
Every man jack on board was a hero  
Each man risked a watery grave

Oh, the Thresher, yes, now her reactor is still  
But very good company she keeps  
Men from the Lexington, Hornet and the Wasp  
Are down there with her in the deep

Every man jack on board was a hero  
Every man jack on board there was brave  
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Each man risked a watery grave

Oh, the Thresher

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