

**Nora Ney**  
**"American Anthem"**

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All we've been given  
By those who came before  
The dream of a nation  
Where freedom would endure  
The work and prayers  
Of centuries  
Have brought us to this day

What shall be our legacy?  
What will our children say?  
Let them say of me  
I was one who believed  
In sharing the blessings  
I received  
Let me know in my heart  
When my days are through  
America  
America  
I gave my best to you

Each generation from the plains  
To distant shore with the gifts  
They were given  
Were determined  
To leave more  
Battles fought together  
Acts of conscience fought alone  
These are the seeds  
From which America has grown

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For those who think

They have nothing to share  
Who fear in their hearts  
There is no hero there  
Know each quiet act  
Of dignity is  
That which fortifies  
The soul of a nation  
That never dies

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