

## Stormwitch "Tears By The Firelight"

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Tears by the firelight, he won't be home tonight  
The Royal order reached him now to fight for the land  
Eyes at the window-pane, staring through pouring rain  
All the room is cold and grey, the fire burns bright

Every night there is no one beside  
She's counting the hours, the memories burn  
Day after day all her thoughts slip away  
She waits for the one to return

Almost a year has gone, the battles are raging on  
She has got no sign of life, no news at all  
She wants to know his stand far in the foreign land  
For King and Country he has left, the King's sleeping tight

Every night there is no one beside . . .  
Tears by the firelight, he won't be home tonight  
Sparks of hope begin to glow, the end of the war  
Church-bells proclaim the peace, they welcome the returnees  
"The victory is ours!" but she thinks, "What's mine?"

Every night there is no one beside . . .

Tears by the light, the fire burns down  
Words black as grave's ground, seals red as blood  
By the light, life's found an end  
The parchment is still in her hand.

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