

The Mystery of War

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From all that I've learned in Modern History
There is only one thing I know – war is a bloody mystery.
Battles waged from land, sea and air,
Conquering one another the only care.

Let me begin with the Civil War between North and South
Devouring men like a giant mouth.
Men from ranches with cattle
Fighting with muskets and saddle.
People died and lives destroyed.

Next, I read about World War One in a bookstore.
It was suppose to be “The War to End all Wars,”
Tanks and trenches, men in misery.
In the end no clear victory.

Then Blitzkrieg! Onto World War Two
In the Pacific, Pearl Harbour blew.
The Germans marched through France and more,
Until D-Day when Allies stormed the shore.
Still, too many lives lost.
Was it worth the cost?

Korean, Cold, and Vietnam
The list of war goes on and on.
Iraq, Afghanistan, and Ukraine
All the tears and so much pain.
What is it that we have gained?

If war was only history
Then we could solve the mystery.
All the guns of war would cease
And kids like me would only learn of peace.