

# Remembering Our Veterans

Lord Jesus,  
With gratitude, we honor all veterans  
who have served their fellow Americans.

We ask your blessings for them.  
In sorrow, we honor the more than  
6,800 men and women in the U.S. Armed Forces  
who have recently died in Iraq and Afghanistan.

In sorrow, we acknowledge the horror and destruction of war.  
We ask your forgiveness for our failure to be peacemakers.

## Let us Pray

We pray for all the victims of war, all children of God:  
We pray for mothers, fathers, wives, husbands, daughters,  
And sons in the U.S. who mourn the deaths of loved ones.

***Comfort them, O Lord.***

We pray for mothers, fathers, wives, husbands, daughters,  
and sons in Iraq and Afghanistan who mourn the deaths of  
loved ones, all children of God.

***Comfort them, O Lord.***

We pray for U.S. soldiers who are returning home  
emotionally and physically traumatized by this war.

***Comfort them, O Lord.***

We pray for U.S. soldiers who are still in Afghanistan.  
Protect them, keep them safe, and bring them home soon.

***Comfort them, O Lord.***

We pray for Iraqi and Afghani civilians who live with daily  
terror and destruction.

***Comfort them, O Lord.***

We pray for our leaders: give them wisdom and discernment  
to bring life and peace where there is death and conflict.

***Guide them, O Lord.***

May we honor all those who have served in the military by  
Creating a just and peaceful world for the generations  
to come.

***Guide us, O Lord.***

