Our Freedom's Light

Once Fate and Fortune were reversed, Alone, we faced hell unrehearsed. While some reserved neutrality... Our sums preserved Democracy.

Dunkirk; our backs against the sea...
There's Churchill flashing Victory!
Now, distant thunder of blitzkrieg,
Meant war had joined a higher league.

Our ships braved out to meet this storm, To keep us all or none free born. The odds we chased would overwhelm... But for the lion at our helm!

Our calendar of war raged on...
All hope... pages of time near gone.
Our friend of letters understood
And strived to lead his country's good.

We had no stores, no arms of fright, Left in our hands the sword of right! Besieged! We screamed our dying call... "Grant now your might before we fall!" Our finest hour held the tide...
Our blood, our courage, tears, our pride,
Kept bright alone our Freedom's light...
And we, alone, pushed on our fight!

Through what would seem eternity
What darkest darkness yet could be?
The words that helped us reach the dawn...
All through the night, "hold on"... "hold on".

Then dawn begat a Rising Sun...
December 7, Forty One.
At last!...That date in infamy!...
God tipped the scales of destiny!

The rest is history to relay...
"November mourning"...on "our day"
When poppies worn by young and old
Prove sacrifice when we stood bold!

Let all recall, none soon dismiss
When Heaven perched on the abyss...
When need was there to face the worst...
That we stood fast...

That we stood first!

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